



**Strathcona Centre Community League
Board Meeting Minutes - In Person
Monday, February 9th 2026**

We acknowledge the traditional lands and territories of the Indigenous Peoples who have lived on these lands and taken care of them since time immemorial. We are on Treaty 6 territory, as well as, the historical regional homeland of the Métis, which includes the North Saskatchewan River Territory, the Lesser Slave Lake Territory, and the Lower Athabasca Territory. We acknowledge and respect the histories, languages, and diverse cultures of the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit and are grateful for their contributions that continue to enrich our communities.

Chairperson: Gord Lacey

Attendees: Scott Wright , Katie Krause , Emily Graca , Sally Hammell , Roger Tassie , Selena Matthews , Matthew Hethcoat , Donna Fong , John de Haan , Jeanie McDonnell , Sabine Roche , Susan Kankkunen, Farhana Nurani,

Absent:, Connie Mar, Jason Unger , Lauren Muusse, Jacquie Devlin , Janice Bogner, Amy Gainer

1. **Call to order:** 6:59 pm

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion: To adopt the [SCCL Board Meeting Agenda 2026-02-09](#) agenda as presented.

Moved by: Jeanie McDonnell

Seconded by: John de Haan

Carried

3. **Approval of Minutes of last board meeting**

Motion: [SCCL Board Meeting Minutes 2026-01-12](#) were read and accepted

Moved by: Donna Fong

Seconded by: Roger Tassie

Carried

4. **Reports**

4.1. President Update - Gord Lacey

- 4.1.1. Thank you to Emily for a wonderful winterfest! It was a lot of fun and Gord enjoyed eating all of the cake.
- 4.1.2. Compensation Update
 - Last week we talked about employee compensation. The exec, Jeanie looked into employee compensation. There are formally employment offers of letter. The hall director will keep a spreadsheet of compensation and employee details.

4.2. [Wellness & Safety](#) - Gord Lacey

- 4.2.1. OSBA has a street team that responds to businesses in the area - without involving EPS. EPS seems to want to have business owners contact them instead. EPS is interested in having a community meeting to discuss this more.
- 4.2.2. Theft under \$5000 has decreased by almost 30%
- 4.2.3. OSACC meeting is tomorrow at 9am. Attendance has been low lately.

4.3. [Treasurer](#) - John de Haan

- 4.3.1. The use of Casino funds are lower than budget thus far.
- 4.3.2. Have received the Connections grant and the Storm Water grant, which wasn't budgeted for. The Storm Water grant is EPCOR giving us back money for water use.
- 4.3.3. Wages are down, but repair amounts are up. We need to pay more attention to repair expenses in the next budget.
- 4.3.4. We are \$12500 ahead of budget (i.e. have more money than expected at this time of year)
- 4.3.5. John has created a Technology Guide for the league. This includes payroll information. [SCCL Technology Guide](#)
- 4.3.6. The monthly cost for digital services is \$138.53

Motion: To approve the Treasurer's Report

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded by: Donna Fong

Carried

4.4. [Communication](#) - Sally Hammell

- 4.4.1. Have two new communication members
- 4.4.2. Followers are up on all fronts
- 4.4.3. Have had bots (suspicious emails) joining the mailing list, but John has removed these
- 4.4.4. Casino signup information is going out to the community in an upcoming communication
- 4.4.5. Donna asked if the community ever pins a post about programs to the Facebook page. The yoga instructor would like to have ongoing programs pinned to the Facebook page. Sally will look into this.

4.5. [HGRC](#) - Sally Hammell

- 4.5.1. Still waiting on the building permit. Gord asked Keller (Construction company) about this and there has been some back and forth between the city and Keller.
- 4.5.2. Had an online kickoff meeting between Keller, Dialog (Architects) and the HGRC
- 4.5.3. Keller will be touring the building with the potential trades tomorrow
- 4.5.4. The city is coming for a site visit on Wednesday
- 4.5.5. Have asked Dialog how to ask Keller to add some things to the project since there is some more money available. For example, air conditioning for the hall and door fobs.

- 4.6. [Social](#) - Emily Graca Farhana Nurani
- 4.6.1. Winterfest was a success! Approximately 175 attendees. Lower than the previous years but still well attended. Not as many as in past years, but still well attended.
 - There were fewer volunteers than previously
 - 15 cakes in the competition
 - It was nice to have a drag skills competition and a magician. These didn't require volunteers since these were paid professionals.
 - They switched to smokies, which was easier to bbq.
 - Having tickets to keep track of admissions was handy.
 - 4.6.2. For next year's Winterfest:
 - Bring in goalies for the hockey
 - Reusable cups would be good to have
 - Need a volunteer and donations sub-committee - headed up by a reliable volunteer
 - Had too many supplies. For next year we should just purchase a set amount of food and if food runs out then that's that. Supplies are getting wasted. Farhana has a detailed spreadsheet of how much was purchased.
 - 4.6.3. In April, Emily wants to start a run club for all skill levels. Will meet at the hall. Idea is to have a kids run and an adult run.
 - 4.6.4. Considering doing a Swap event. Potentially done alongside the Big Bin event. Amy ran a clothing swap a year ago, so should talk to her. Maybe talk to garden group about their seed swap.
 - 4.6.5. There will be a volunteer appreciation event in the spring.
- 4.7. [Building & Grounds](#) - Roger Tassie
- 4.7.1. Building systems have been working well through the cold snap
 - 4.7.2. Rink ice was super for Winterfest
 - 4.7.3. Working on procedures for a smooth transition for the construction company
 - 4.7.4. Have started to clear the hall out into the seacan
 - 4.7.5. Foosball table - should we rebuild the table? Gord noted that there are some kids in the community would like to fundraise for a new table.
- 4.8. [Hall Use](#) - Jeanie McDonnell
- 4.8.1. Have been preparing for the renovations.
 - 4.8.2. Berna's Art classes will move to the Upper Lounge.
 - 4.8.3. The Weavers will be renting for another month
- 4.9. [Civics and Planning](#) - Sabine Roche
- 4.9.1. The few emails that Sabine has received have been about the zoning bylaws related to eight plexes. City Council will be discussing capping mid-block infill developments to six units.
 - 4.9.2. Paths for People have reached out about refurbishing the public areas along Whyte Ave and about improving transit down Whyte (i.e. adding a dedicated bus lane). But this may cause more traffic cutting through neighbourhoods.
 - 4.9.3. EPCOR is doing repairs on 96 St and 80 Ave
 - 4.9.4. Michael Janz is working on the smell near Tubby Bateman
 - 4.9.5. Next meeting in March - Paths for People likely to attend
- 4.10. [Memberships](#) - Matthew Hethcoat
- 4.10.1. Out of green SCCL toques. Will look into getting more.
 - 4.10.2. Memberships are at pace for the year
 - 4.10.3. Have mapped the memberships per postal code

- 4.11. [Programs](#) - Donna Fong
- 4.11.1. Spring hall bookings are starting
 - 4.11.2. A community member is interested in joining the board
 - 4.11.3. Would like to do a movie night in March - April
 - 4.11.4. South-east community leagues are looking into a solution for the print newsletter closing. May do a coffee-news type print newsletter to distribute at businesses.
 - 4.11.5. A wood-worker is interested in holding courses at the hall. Donna will forward the email to Scott.
- 4.12. [Sport & Fitness](#) - Connie Mar Selena Matthews
- 4.12.1. Have started to plan for Sports day in late May or early June. Might have to book King Edward school yard (needs permit). Would have a BBQ and a pickle ball tournament. Sally says that there will likely be a path from King Edward to the hall, even through the construction.
 - Some events would be sign-up and some would be drop-in
 - 4.12.2. Funball needs a new coordinator - will be putting out a coordinator
 - Where will they play during construction? Sally will ask Keller about where they could play.
 - 4.12.3. Sip and stroll continues
- 4.13. Diversity & Inclusion - Amy Gainer Lauren Muusse
- 4.14. Green - Jason Unger
- 4.15. Garden - Janice Bogner Jacquie Devlin

5. [February NRC Report](#) - Susan Kankkunen
- 5.1. Coronation Park Sports and Rec Center is now open - it is a beautiful space
 - 5.1.1. People can drop in just like other rec centers
 - 5.2. O-day'min park is open

6. **Adjournment of Official Meeting**
Moved by: Farhana Nurani
Seconded by: Selena Matthews
Carried

Next Meetings (in person and zoom option available)

- Monday March 9th 2026 6:45pm
- Monday April 13th 2026 6:45pm
- Monday May 11th 2026 6:45pm
- Monday June 8th 2026 6:45pm

Zoom Info:

- Meeting ID: 831 5202 8291
- Passcode: 258980

Minutes reviewed and signed :

Katie Krause

SCCL Secretary