



GCA Board Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, September 25, 7:00 p.m.
Glebe Community Centre**

**Chair: June Creelman
Secretary and Timekeeper: Laura Smith**

7:00-7:05	Approval of agenda and June meeting minutes	Laura Smith
7:05-7:20	Report for the Councillor	David Chernushenko
7:20-7:35	President's Report	June Creelman
7:35-7:50	Comments / Issues from Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All Candidates' Debate (Carol MacLeod) ● Ottawa Hospital update (Bhagwant Sandu) 	
7:50-8:45	Committee reports, motions, Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion 1: Art installation and framing (Sam Harris) ● Motion 2: Community Conversations Series (Sam Harris) ● Parks Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion 3: NuK (Second Ave parklet) (Sam Harris) ● Environment Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reduction of Single Use Plastic: July event and upcoming all candidates debate (Zoe Langevin) ○ Tree Action Now (Jennifer Humphries) ○ Motion 4: Rebuild on Broadway (Jennifer Humphries) 	All
8:45-9:00	Other business	All
9:00	Adjournment	All

Annex A - Committee reports

Community Liaison

Education

- The Education Committee will be reaching out to local school parent councils in September for members. The goal is to have a representative from each school including, but not limited to, Mutchmor, Corpus Christi, First Ave, Glashan, Immaculata and Glebe. The first meeting will be in early November, date TBD.

Environment

- The Glebe community meeting on reduction of single use plastic (July 24 2018) was very well attended (40-50) despite mid-summer. We also have prospectively very good collaboration with the BIA on this (met with them in June).
- Tree Action Now initiative and website (related to the city election and the all candidates debate <https://www.treeactionnow.net/>)
- TreeFest Ottawa, Sept. 22-23
- Environment committee meetings schedule 2018-19 (Oct. 9, Jan. 15, Apr. 9, June 11, 7 - 9:15)

Garage Sale

- Final total raised this year for the Ottawa Food Bank was \$11,745 ... low compared to last year (\$14,000) but in-line with previous years and not surprising given the rainy weather and ominous forecast. Translates into more than \$55K in food. Donations were slow to come in this year and a few reminders were needed. Currently responding to a few email inquiries. Otherwise, nothing to report.

Health, Housing and Social Services

- The newly formed Health, Housing and Social Services committee will have its first meeting soon. It will draw from members of the previous Tenants' and Health Committees and welcomes new members. We will be discussing our goals for the upcoming year and primary areas of focus.

Heritage

- City of Ottawa Heritage Inventory Project for the Glebe will update list of properties deemed of heritage interest. City held two open houses for owners/residents to provide input regarding a draft new list prepared by City staff. The final updated list will be proposed after the City elections to be added to the Heritage Register which would require an owner to provide 60 days notice to the City of an intent to demolish a listed building. GCA Heritage Committee will continue to track this initiative through to completion.
- GCA-approved proposal that Ottawa consider heritage designation of 1 Renfrew (former home of Charlotte Whitton) did not receive the support of City heritage staff.

- Work continues on study by City Heritage staff on possible creation of Phase II Heritage Conservation District covering Monkland, Linden Terrace and Clemow west of Bank but it will not move forward in approval process until after City elections. GCA Heritage Committee will continue to be part of this initiative.
- GCA Heritage Committee is working with Rockcliffe and other heritage neighbourhoods to seek measures that would ensure planning decisions are consistent with the approved management plans for their Heritage Conservation Districts.
- Growing pace of approved and proposed developments (e.g.. Queen Elizabeth Driveway, Broadway, Allan Place, Pretoria, Glebe, First, etc.) and demolitions needs to be confronted by GCA if our heritage streetscapes are to be preserved.

Membership

Planning

Parks

Transportation

- Continuing to work on priority safety concerns that were identified in the transportation safety survey conducted last year.
- Exploring the possibility to introduce gateway speed signage in the Glebe.
- Pursuing the expansion of school safety zones (and possible photo radar).

Annex B - Motions

Motion 1: Art installation and framing

Whereas the GCA did not spend all funds allocated in 2017-18 for its 50th anniversary celebrations;

Whereas the celebrations included the creation of a work of art that has recently been installed at the Glebe Community Centre; and,

Whereas the costs for installation of the work, the creation of label or plaque and framing of the GCA's 50th anniversary certificates are estimated to be \$500,

Be it resolved that the GCA allocate \$500 in its 2018-19 fiscal year towards the costs of art installation and framing related to GCA 50.

Motion 2: Community Conversations Series

That the GCA support community conversations as an outreach and engagement activity as outlined in the proposal background.

Proposal background:

Proposal - Octopus Books, GCA, and GNAG Community Conversations

The Idea

The GCA advocates for a liveable, diverse and sustainable urban neighbourhood. We achieve this aim through engagement with community members and partners on issues of shared interest and community importance.

As part of that advocacy, the GCA proposes a partnership with Octopus Books - the Glebe's only local neighbourhood independent bookstore that promotes the exchange of ideas and conversation through literature with scholarly merit and a progressive orientation and with the Glebe Neighbourhood Activities Group (GNAG) - the Glebe's programming group which aims enrich our community by delivering recreational, cultural and social activities and services.

The Community Conversation series would hold three sessions in 2019 aimed at promoting discussion and exchange about books that deal with timely and relevant social issues of possible interest to Glebe residents of different age groups.

Proposed Format

The conversation about the books would be facilitated by the author or a suitable speaker and may also include activities to enhance the experience (such as crafts or games for the children and youth books). The proposed timing and topics include:

Early 2019 event (likely weekend morning at the preschool room in the GCC): Book aimed at children related to creating positive neighbourhoods, being a good neighbour, or community

engagement.

Late January/early February event (likely weeknight evening at the GC Cafe in the GCC): Book aimed at pre-teens related to civic engagement and creating positive movements.

Late March events (likely two events about the same book - one evening at the GC Cafe; possibly one during the day at Abbotsford): Book related to liveable, healthy and sustainable neighbourhood design and development.

Proposed Roles

Octopus Books, through their event coordinator, would propose specific books and speakers as well as provide logistical support for organizing the events.

The GCA Education Committee would support the event planning with age-appropriate activities and additional logistical support as needed.

GNAG would provide opportunities to read and promote the selected books through its existing age-targeted programming (preschool group reading; school age children's book club).

The GCA would provide financial support for the purchase of copies of books which could be distributed through some of the neighbourhood's little libraries and perhaps through the GCC and/or Sunnyside Branch of the OPL. Some copies could be donated to the OPL after the Book Club with acknowledgment of the donation by the GCA (Rockcliffe and some other CAs do this) to ensure they are assets for others to use. The GCA and GNAG could also cover some additional costs for author travel (see budget), support promotion, and seek additional funding to support this initiative.

Additional partnerships may be sought with Abbotsford, Ottawa Public Library, or Youth Ottawa.

Budget is being drafted based on book choices, this is an estimate and will be updated to the GCA as required

Travel*: \$1200

Books: \$750

Promotion: \$300

Organizational support and planning: \$900

Other, insurance: \$300

*main variable, dependant on author location. The focus is on Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto area.

The GCA will also seek other funding opportunities, for example

<https://ottawa.ca/en/residents/recreation-and-parks/recreation-and-parks-funding>

Motion 3: NuK (Second Ave parklet)b

Whereas the NuK parklet at Second Avenue was originally planned as a one-year pilot project involving the GCA, Glebe BIA, Underground Sound, Carleton University and the City of Ottawa, but was extended for two more years;

Whereas the Glebe BIA will no longer support the parklet or the use of the parking spot at Second and Bank for this purpose;
Whereas the GCA parklet coordinator recommends wrapping the project up; and,
Whereas the GCA would prefer that the structure be re-used or re-cycled rather than disposed of,

Be it resolved that the GCA offer the parklet structure for free to the first person who comes forward willing to dismantle and remove the parklet by October 31 when its permit expires.

Motion 4: Rebuild on Broadway

Text of motion to come