

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS - MINUTES May 11, 2017

4th floor, Woodward's Heritage Building

Commenced: 6:08 pm

Attendees: Tony Swain, Brendan Houle, Chris Stanley By Telephone:, Craig McLachlan, Patrick Clark Staff: Tracey Axelsson, Chris Chanhsamone

Regrets: Nick Hamill,

## 1. Changes to the agenda

## Remove discussion on Open Source Policy to email

## 2. Approval of previous minutes from

## January 26.2017.

- Moved Patrick
- o Seconded Chris
  - carried

## 3 Admin and Program - YI Program Updates reports

- Worked with ESDC policy analysts to improve the recommended grant ~150k
- Worked with YI Coordinators to get the program wrapped up and final reports in
- Launched the YI Impact Statement Video Project for ISED Canada
- City OCB grant awarded \$20,640
- Requested grant to Vancouver Foundation taken over by City of Vancouver not funded
- Met with Bob Rennie to discuss potential for collaboration on OurBuilding.info
- Agreed to bridge a Vancouver Foundation grant for Pacific Legal Education & Outreach
- Attended a CIRA evening information gala and Slack meetup
- Met with Thomas of 312Main to discuss the ground floor opportunities for VCN
- CRA and provincial filing are up-to-date T3010 complete

## **YI Program Updates**

- ISED Canada success stories survey and impact statement videos project complete and in public realm
- YI program final claims and reporting complete all funding received.
- All interns are now completed

## 4. Technical - Helpdesk - WebTeam-

### Servers

The backup server is running out of storage space. A new backup storage method will be used to compress and remove duplicate data to save space. The old backup data is being transferred to the new backup system.

#### Office

Two UBC students did a 6-week practicum in March and April 2017. Two BCIT students started their 8-week practicum in May 2017.

Recently, VCN was told we will be receiving a grant for the Canada Summer Jobs program. This will allow VCN to employ two students for a total of 720 hours. We will be hiring a student to provide technical support and a Ruby on Rails developer to work on SMS.

### SMS

The SMS developer, Lyn, completed her internship and found full-time employment as a developer.



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# web|team

The web|team intern, Ellyl, also found full-time employment. Ali's courses ended in April and he is available full-time during the summer.

Ali is currently planning to offer WordPress training courses and he will be finishing up some WordPress sites. He will be working on the following sites:

- Canadian Global Humanitarian Actions Society
- \_An event site with a non-profits' marathon
- \_A food truck site

## tech|team

The VCN tech|team helped the 411 Seniors Centre setup their annual tax clinic.

# 5. Financial Reports (Tracey)

As the executive director a full report was given.

· Refer to the financial statements as delivered

## 6. Open Source Software – tabled

However – sentiment is that the Board has taken all member views into consideration as we developed the policy. It was discussed that we cannot limit our focus on technology in any way to disrupt members seeking a better understanding and use of any particular software.

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Nil

## Adjourn:

7.20 pm