Minutes of the second (2nd) meeting of the Hearst Accessibility Committee June 15, 2020

The second meeting of this committee took place online at 4:30 p.m. using the Messenger application.

In attendance:

Anne-Marie Portelance, President Joël Lauzon Claire Forcier Julie Lanoix Chantal G. Dillon Brianna Picard

1. Opening

The President opened the meeting at 4:33 pm. She welcomed all Executive members, including Brianna Picard as the committee's newest member.

2. Review of the last Executive Committee meeting minutes (January 13, 2020)

Anne-Marie Portelance reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting.

3. Business arising from previous minutes (January 13, 2020)

The President provided an update on the Kinsey Park playground project.

4. New Business

Park's official opening

A.-M. Portelance reported on preparations for the new Kinsey Park's playground official opening. She does not exclude the possibility that this event will take place online, given the current pandemic situation.

Next assessements

The Chair explained that the Université de Hearst's assessment was postponed due to the pandemic situation. She suggested that an assessment also be conducted at the new accessible and inclusive park once it is fully installed.

Accessibility funds

A.-M. Portelance announced that the Enabling Accessibility Fund program is now open to receive new applications.

The Chair introduced members to the Columbia Forest Products Foundation.

October 2020 public meeting

The President asked members for their opinion on the next public meeting scheduled for October 2020. Everyone agreed to wait and see how the pandemic situation will be in September.

5. Tip of the month

Guidebook - EnAbling Change for Retailers: Make your Store Accessible

In order to assist retailers in Canada with making their stores accessible for customers and employees, Retail Council of Canada (RCC) in partnership with the Government of Ontario has developed a free guidebook for retailers.

6. Adjournment

President adjourned the meeting at 5:20 pm.

The next Executive Committee meeting will take place on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 4:30 pm in the Town Hall conference room. The next public meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Heritage Sawmill Marketplace.

Anne-Marie Portelance, President