Minutes of the second (2nd) meeting of the Hearst Accessibility Committee April 12, 2021

The second meeting of this committee took place online, through the Zoom application. Following a scheduling conflict, this meeting began on April 12 from 5:00 pm to 5:32 pm, and was continued April 18, 2021 from 5:00 pm to 6:08 pm.

In attendance:

Anne-Marie Portelance, President Claire Forcier Brianna Picard Julie Lanoix Daniela Gagnon Josée Vachon

Chantal G. Dillon (absent on April 18)

1. Opening

The President opened the meeting at 5:08 pm. She welcomed all executive members.

2. Review of the last Executive Committee meeting minutes (Febuary 8, 2021)

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

3. Business arising from previous minutes (February 8, 2021)

The Chair followed up on the release of the Kinsey Park video. Since the current restrictions don't allow the official opening to proceed, it was then proposed to add solar lights around the pavilion this year for everyone's safety and to create a beautiful atmosphere for the walking trail users.

4. New Business

Funding sources

A.-M. Portelance reviewed the various grants available to improve accessibility. The committee's various projects include the purchase of accessible picnic tables, a wheelchair swing and exercise stations for people with reduced mobility.

International day for Persons with disabilities

The Chair consulted with members to plan an event for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities held on December 3, 2021.

Committee's PowerPoint presentation

A.-M. Portelance suggested an update on the committee's PowerPoint. Members agreed and shared their suggestions.

5. Tip of the month

COVID-19 - Transportation for vaccine appointments

Ontario's 2021 Budget will make it easier for people with disabilities and seniors to get COVID-19 vaccinations by investing \$3.7 million to provide safe, accessible Transportation. Ontario will work with local communities and public health units, to implement this vital service for those who need assistance. More details on how this program will work will be available in the coming days.

Link: https://bit.ly/3d5hpTH

6. Adjournment

President adjourned the meeting at 6:08 pm.

The next Executive Committee meeting will take place on Monday, June 7, 2021 at 5 p.m., in the City Hall conference room or via the Zoom application.

Anne-Marie Portelance, President