



**Together for Vanier Meeting
November 19, 2018
Ottawa Room, Vanier Community Service Centre
Minutes**

Present:

Helena Arruda (Centre des Services Communautaire--CSCV), Lauren Touchant (Vanier Community Association--VCA), Nancy Worsfold (Crime Prevention Ottawa--CPO), Rose Anne Leonard (Vélo-Vanier), Frederic Lorquet (Ottawa Community Housing--OCH), Cst. Jackalyn Getz (Crime Stoppers Ottawa), Emeline Sparks (City Councillor's officer)

Regrets:

Nathalie Carrier (Vanier Business Improvement Area--BIA), Patrick Mayangi (Multifaith Housing Initiative), Matthieu Fleury (Councillor), Lucie Marleau (Crime Prevention Vanier--CPV), Paul Beauchamp (Boys and Girls Club), Cst. Vianney Calixte (Ottawa Police Services--OPS)

Minutes: Rose Anne Leonard

1. Approval of the agenda (moved: Rose Anne; seconded: Jackalyn Getz)
Approved

2. Minutes of September 17 approved.

3. Follow-up from minutes of September 17

- **Post-incident Protocol Training**

- Lauren will follow up with the Councillor's Office with regards to writing the letter describing the aims of the post-incident protocol and the responsibilities of the participants in the communication chain. Its purpose is to ensure that all participants have a common understanding of the process.

4. Varia

- **Meeting Dates for 2019**

- January 21
- March 18
- May 20
- September 16
- November 18

- **Updates on Crime Prevention Vanier activities**

- A 'pop-up' information table with the captain of the Kingsview Watch on August 22, as a community response to a stabbing at Mark and N. River
 - On Dec. 8 there will be a pop-up from 1 to 4 p.m. outdoors at the corner of Lafontaine and Richelieu. There was a door-to-door as part of a post-incident initiative. Information handed out included Crime prevention information and swag and the fact that the community police officer is in residence at the CSCV.
- **Vanier -- 50th Anniversary**
 - A 2nd draft of the 50 things to do in honour of Vanier's 50th Anniversary was circulated. It is attached with minor changes.
 - Members discussed promotion for the 50th anniversary. Objectives include: encouraging residents to enjoy the community and changing perceptions of those outside Vanier, and
 - Post and follow up to Vanier neighbours
 - Perspective Vanier will participate monthly
 - Congregate social media twitter activity around #Vanier50
 - Helena will investigate promoting on Unique FM
 - Publicize at Dejeuner Flocons and VCA Christmas Party

5. Partner's reports

▪ Councillor Mathieu Fleury's Office

The final meeting of the current council will be Nov. 28

The first sitting of the new council will be Dec. 5 and committees will be set up after that.

The Office of the Councillor congratulated the *Emond Neighbourhood Watch* for its win Public meeting for the development at Greensway and Mark.

Montreal working group is meeting on Thursday

Helena spoke with Julie McKercher about the Merit Program for crisis intervention, and she is interested in expanding this program into Vanier. This program intersects with the project of identifying problem addresses.

▪ BIA

- Wevolution is a strategic planning initiative to redefine the vision of Vanier and the redevelopment of Montreal Rd.
- CSCV, VCA and BIA will organize the Winter Solstice celebration for December 21 from 4-10pm in the lots at Montreal Road and Begin. The celebration will include a Christmas Market. Everyone is invited.
- The BIA will be welcoming new members of the board of directors, as this is a year when terms expire. Announcements to come.
- The BIA is working with the city which will be welcoming new cannabis distribution sites in April. The focus is on enforcing current zoning laws to minimize the impact on businesses already in place.
- Two new murals are being planned for Vanier.

- **Crime Prevention Ottawa**
 - Nancy handed out a recently published pamphlet for parents — “Youth Criminal Justice: What Parents Should Know.” The Somali Centre for Family Services provides training in support of the booklet.
 - A current issue for CPO is shootings occurring in many neighbourhoods. There is a change in the behaviours of gangs, who are not attached to neighbourhoods, but to the drug trade. Young people appear to be carrying weapons, and normalizing being armed “for protection.” There is a statistical increase in weapons.
 - There will be a new chair of the CPO directors board of, as the former chair was not re-elected.
 - Municipalities must develop *community safety and well-being* plans—a new initiative from the former provincial government. CPO will be leading this initiative.

- **Vanier Community Association** Lauren Touchant
 - The VCA continues to promote and lobby for neighbourhood policing, which was eliminated at the end of 2016.
 - A presentation at a VCA meeting addressed toxic waste in old landfills in Vanier. These have been tested. Dominion Bridge dumps have been tested. The level of toxicity is somewhat higher than normal. Questions included long term effects on gardens. No subsidies for blood tests or soil tests related to this issue.
 - Francophone residents are working to resist the cuts announced by the Ford government and the VCA subcommittee is engaged. VCA is supporting the fund raising and is waiting for an update on the current status.
 - The VCA is working on a vision for a community development fund
 - December 11 party will be at Chilaquiles on Montreal Road.
 - The Francophone committee is very active. Upcoming events under discussion:
 - A mardi gras
 - A salon de livre in partnership with the African Caribbean community
 - The VCA acknowledged Vanier Beautification’s work
 - Safety Committee:
 - The greatest success in the past few months has been addressing the safety and environmental problem at Jean Coutu related to disposal of drugs.
 - The first self-defence group-training session was very successful. K2 Martial arts offered the course. There will be a follow-up session.
 - The VCA wants to reach out to the Inuit Community and invite participation in upcoming events.

- **Ottawa Community Housing**

Frederic updated the committee:

 - Discussions on Community renewal at Richelieu Court are underway.
 - OCH has hired a new community development manager. Nathalie Drouin will begin work on January 4.
 - Christmas events are planned for Garneau, Lacasse and Montfort. The Tenants Association at Lacasse is taking the lead in that location.
 - It was noted that regular lunch/causerie events at Lacasse and Montfort residences are opportunities for organizations to promote their programs.

- **Crime Stoppers**

Crime Stoppers' volunteers provided positive feedback regarding the Halloween Fun Zones again this year.

The fact that the Crime Stoppers continues to receive tips from Vanier is a welcomed indicator that the messages and promotion are working.

Centre des services communautaire

- Partners were encouraged to attend the Snowflake breakfast, the fundraiser for Partage Vanier, will be held December 7. The fundraising target is \$45,000.00.
- Rose Anne reported on an event called, "[Random Hacks of Kindness](#)," a weekend of volunteer software programming for good causes. It is an opportunity for non-profit organizations to get a start on designing and programming software solutions to support their operations. Velo-Vanier participated in October.

Next meeting: Monday, Jan. 21, 5 p.m. Ottawa Room at Vanier Community Service Centre.

Addendum:

Second draft – November 2018 – post-T4V September discussion

VANIER'S 2019 'Bucket List'

50 THINGS TO DO IN HONOUR OF VANIER'S 50th ANNIVERSARY
(presented to Together for Vanier for discussion)

1. Find and admire 10 of the the nearly 40 murals in Vanier
2. Visit St. Margaret Church (206 Montréal)
3. Visit Canada's only urban Sugar Shack (Richelieu Park)
4. Have a picnic in one of Vanier's 11 parks
5. Visit our Community Garden (Richelieu-Vanier Community Centre)
6. Introduce yourself to our Community Police Officer
7. Bring the kids to a splash pad in St-Ambroise Park or Nault Park
8. Enjoy outdoor ping-pong at Optimiste Park
9. Take your dog on a nature walk in Richelieu Park
10. Enjoy outdoor skating at ?
11. Visit the Wabano Centre for Aboriginal Health
12. Have fun at our Winter Carnival / Après-snow
13. Participate in VéloFest
14. Visit the Farmers' Market
15. Join Vanier's Neighbourhood Watch Program
16. Participate at Mosaik
17. Read the bulletin board at the Vanier Public Library
18. Visit MuséoParc
19. Visit Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto

Commentaire [cV1]: T4V discussed having a social media platform for ppl to post photos/comments + online map to where the Bucket List locations can be found

Commentaire [cV2]: Some of the items need contact info, precise dates, locations, etc.

Commentaire [cV3]: T4V discussed planning dedicated 'open house' dates/times for places to visit as part of the Bucket List Challenge

Commentaire [cV4]: See attached list of Vanier Parks

Commentaire [cV5]: Add the date/time that Vianney is at CSCVanier and VCPC

20. Participate in a Vanier Community Association monthly meeting
21. Join Vanier's Great Clean-up (bi-annual)
22. Have pancakes at the annual SugarFest
23. Enjoy Movies in the Park
24. Have fun at the Halloween Fun Zones
25. Visit the Cenotaph / Remembrance Day Parade
26. Participate in Family Day festivities
27. Visit the Christmas Market
28. Donate to Partage Vanier
29. Go to the annual Snowflake breakfast
30. Bike tour of Vanier – VéloVanier
31. Plant a flower
32. Visit the CSCVanier Le Happening Hub (centre francophone)
33. Find Vanier's only take-one-leave-one library
34. Inquire about Vanier's Boys and Girls Club
35. Have a laugh at Shakespeare in the Park
36. Join in a Vanier Safety Committee monthly walkabout
37. Have fun at Tag Zone
38. Practice your French in Vanier
39. Enjoy poutine at the Great Canadian Pouterie
40. Report a graffiti to 311@ottawa.ca
41. Bowling at McArthur Lanes
42. Join Jane's Walk

43. Find Joyce Kilmer's Tree Poem:



44. Find the miniature Smurf garden:



45. Kayak the Rideau River
46. Go for a swim in the public pool at Optimist Park
47. Buy a book at Vanier Library's annual book sale
48. Visit the Vanier public library
49. Enjoy a pint, a bean supper and live music at the Royal Canadian Legion
50. Attend East Fest