# SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND HELD IN THE C & E MUSEUM, 7 APR 99, AT 7:30 PM.

Chairperson: Mr. Jack Hamilton, President.

Members in attendance:

Mr. Coady Mrs. Foster Mr. Tudor

Mrs. Helmstaedt

Mr. Hodgson

Mr. Shultz

Mr. Sutherland

Mr. Bennett (Legal Counsel)

# Regrets:

Mr. Datta

Dr. Westenberg

### **OPENING REMARKS**

1. Chairman Hamilton opened the meeting at 7:35 PM.

## **REPORTS**

- 2. Chairman's Report. Nil
- 3. <u>Vice President's Report</u>. Nil
- 4. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>. The Treasurer was not present for a report.
- 5. <u>Secretary's Report</u>. The Secretary reported that his information would be covered under AGM administration

### **OLD BUSINESS**

6. <u>Previous Minutes</u>. The Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted, but only after the discussion on the Scholarship Fund took place. It is covered separately.

- 7. Scholarship Fund Project. Mrs. Helmstaedt had a number of points regarding the wording of the minutes of 8 Mar 99, concerning the Scholarship Fund. After some discussion, it was agreed that the fund should be for all Pittsburgh Community, graduating, Secondary School students, regardless of school of attendance. Thus, the wording for the item in the Minutes of 8 Mar 99 was OK. It was agreed that because it was probable that the bulk of the students would come from LaSalle S.S., it would be appropriate to have the Principal of LaSalle act as the Chair of the Pittsburgh Community Scholarship Committee. The Committee would decide the eligibility criteria and the Chair would be the focal point for the delivery of the annual interest that would fund the scholarships (from the PCBF grant of \$100K). The committee would be comprised of staff members from each concerned school as well as PCBF Board Member(s) and probably an interested citizen from the Pittsburgh Community. It was decided that the committee would have ample time to form, meet and prepare criteria before the next academic year. This would allow for some accumulation of interest, After some further discussion, it was decided to have the Treasurer work with the Greater Kingston Area Community Foundation to receive the grant. In return the GKACF would guarantee that all the interest earned each year would be turned over to the Scholarship Committee for disbursement or, as the PCBF saw fit, in the eventuality that the need for such a scholarship fund should disappear. It was moved by Mrs. Helmstaedt, seconded by Mr. Sutherland, that the Treasurer be directed to cut a cheque for \$100 K. to establish the fund and to provide it to the Community Foundation if everything could be worked out. If it could not be worked out with the Foundation, the cheque was to be delivered to the School Board for investment in the scholarship fund there. Motion carried. Further discussion confirmed that this initiative would also fill the request outlined by Mr. Breslow in his request for scholarship funding.
- 8. <u>Library Problems</u>. Mrs. Foster outlined a problem that the fundraising team of the Library had, convincing people to give to the library just to repay the \$192 K. loan from the PCBF. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Coady, seconded by Mr. Shultz, that this discussion be tabled until the next Directors' Meeting (after a new Board was formed). Motion carried.
- 9. <u>JE Horton School Request</u> A further explanation of their request was received from the School. After some discussion, it was moved by Mr. Sutherland, seconded by Mrs. Helmstaedt, **that a sum of** \$74,050.00 **be approved for the project. Motion carried.** The Treasurer was directed to cut a cheque for that amount, payable to the JE Horton School.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

10. AGM Administration. The Secretary covered a number of points with regard to agenda items (rewording the proposed amdt to the conflict problem of the elected reps of Pittsburgh Community to City Council) as well as the required administration for the meeting itself. The Secretary reported that he had not included in the Newsletter, a requirement for a name and signature on the Opinion Poll. As well, he had not included any explanation of why there could not be important new items raised at the AGM without having had the benefit of prior circulation to all the membership. After being duly chastised, he carried on with an explanation of balloting/voting, etc. Board members were asked to be at the School for 6:30 pm and were asked also to look at the new emergency equipment that would be on display. (Secretarial note: the President and Secretary met with Mr. Bennett to sort out new words that were acceptable by Mr. Sutherland and Mrs. Foster on the conflict issue)

### ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11. The floor was opened for questions/comments, but there were none!

### **NEXT MEETING**

AGM – 7:30 PM, Mon, 12 Apr 99, at LaSalle S.S. Next Board Mtg - Probably on Mon, 10 May 99 at Joyceville Public School.

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM

G.L. Coady Secretary