



N.V.H.S. ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MEETING

DATE: January 20, 2010
PLACE: Eagle's Hall, North Vancouver
TIME: Meeting brought to order at 7:20 p.m.
OFFICIATING: Tom Bell and Larry Reda
ATTENDING:

Tom Bell '65	Rose Hanberry '53
Larry Reda '50	Val Johnson '63
Laurel Gurnsey '65	Joyce Griffiths '74
Lucy Mason '71	Mike Parnell '47
Wendy McManus '53	Margaret Herman '55
Cec Stevenson '54	Ralph Bower '54

SECRETARY: Laurel Gurnsey

ORDER OF THE MEETING:

Opening remarks by Tom Bell followed by brief recap of the minutes.
Moved by Joyce Griffiths and seconded by Lucy Mason that the minutes be adopted as circulated.

TOM BELL:

A. City of North Vancouver

Following a delegation to City Hall by Tom Bell, Larry Reda and Laurel Gurnsey on January 11th, Mayor Darrell Mussatto, Mayor of the City of North Vancouver will issue an official proclamation that August 12th to August 18th be called "North Vancouver High School's 100th Year Anniversary Week" in the City of North Vancouver.

The City will also give us the use of any tents, tables, chairs, etc. stored at Mahon Park and in addition, we are to receive \$1000 in seed money to help with costs of running the event.2

Tom and Larry will be discussing with the District of North Vancouver the possibility of them matching what the City has done for us and will see if the City and District can do anything to reduce venue costs. TBA.

B. Bank Account

A bank account has been set up and is awaiting signatures. Celia Hall will be in charge of collecting registration forms and depositing them in the account. Attendees will have their cancelled checks as their receipts.

C. Website

Tom passed on the message from Bill Sim that the website is for class delegates to post information for their grad years and he is ready to have that happen. A reminder that the website is: <http://northvansss.com>

D. Meetings

The Executive will meet as needed but will have formal meetings the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month starting February 2nd. Their 3rd Tuesday meeting will take place just before the General Meeting on that date.

Subcommittees will meet on their own as called by the chairs of those groups. Committee chairs will present updates at the General Meetings.

General Meetings will be held the 3rd Tuesday of every month for all class delegates, committee chairs and every other interested grad.
Mark February 16th on your calendar !

Venues for these meetings to be announced. Laurel Gurnsey will e-mail everyone as soon as we know. She will telephone those without e-mail.

An important note: we still need delegates for several class years and volunteers to be chairs for several committees. Please see your minutes for the last meeting to see where we have committee spaces to fill.

E. Timed item:

Laurel Gurnsey's husband Colin was introduced. He has volunteered to chair the Car Display/Show committee and will work with Ralph Bower and Dan and Ron London to put together a group of cars that will represent the school's history. Types of cars, theme of the display will be discussed and presented at the next General Meeting. Grads could have photos taken by the cars.

Colin has also agreed to help with the Archives Presentation and will assist with the grads interested in working on this committee. Colin, Tom Bell, Laurel Gurnsey, Larry Reda, Lucy Mason and several others will attend a meeting on Saturday, January 23rd with the Museum and Archives staff.

LARRY REDA:

Larry presented an **Anniversary Overview Report**.

A. Plans to include:

- Welcome Ceremony on the stage in Norseman Field or in Centennial Theatre if weather is poor
- Bill McKee will be MC (a '51 grad)
- Mayors of City and District and councilors, past teachers to be invited
- Event time proposed at 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Parking lot to be used for a wine and beer bar run by the City Fire Department
- Salmon BBQ run by the District Fire Department
- Hamburger BBQ run by the Lion's Club
- High Tea with cupcakes available in the Capilano Room from 2-4 (Margaret Herman, Wendy McManus will approach Silver Harbour Seniors' Centre re volunteer servers). Tom Bell suggested girls from a local sports team might be invited to be servers. TBA. Cupcakes decorated in green and white icing of course. Larry Reda's wife suggested green/white jelly beans as handout.
- Proposed display of sports memorabilia in the War Memorial Gym will include mentions of famous grads such as Harry Jerome, Sonny Homer,4

Bill Parnell and Ted Warkentin. Also some blown-up articles from the newspaper done by Len Corbin

- Centennial Theatre display of archival materials and an on-going audio-visual presentation of school and city history
(Joyce suggested that she could look into finding us a projector)
- discussion of a Souvenir Program with a site map and schedule
- use of wrist bands and nametags as entry to site (2 entrypoints...one at 23rd and Lonsdale and one at 23rd and St. George's will be manned by security and registration volunteers)
- Red Robinson to be invited as a guest and asked to DJ for us as part of ongoing music from the centre stage. Other radio personalities also to be asked to do this. Both Ralph Bower and Bernadette Woit know Red and Dave McCormack (CJOR)
- Mickey McDougal Gym has been rented so far and there was discussion at this meeting of having a dance in the evening. This is still to be decided but the general consensus was negative for several reasons. Suggestion that we could have an impromptu 'sock hop' by the stage instead, as music will be ongoing there all day anyway
- Possible use of the Recreation Centre ice rink in case of rain rather than Mickey McDougal (too far too walk). Tom and Larry will look into this.

B. Shopping List

We need:

1. Stantions and rope for the Car event. Colin can get rope and Joyce said that the City has stantions. She would look into that.
2. Souvenir ribbons
3. Signage for the car event (provided by the car owners.)
4. Projector (Joyce will look into a projector)
5. Liability insurance
6. Portable washrooms
7. Liquor permit
8. Security company

9. Cleanup group (possibly sports group students?)
10. Fencing
11. Stage (#11 - #13 may be provided by City?)
12. Tables and chairs
13. Tents
14. Generator
15. PA system (Joyce....is this something the School District could provide?)
16. Souvenir Program
17. Security for people counting money (Suggestion that Community Police could be asked to do this for us)
18. Flyers and posters for advertising the event

Many of above already addressed and there are leads for the others.

C. Money on site:

Larry discussed use of tokens bought at the gate, rather than cash changing hands once in the site. No Visa or cheques. Laurel has gone to the site and looked for available ATM machines as we anticipate attendees may need to use them to access cash. There is an ATM across the street (23rd and Lonsdale) at the Chevron gas station. Nothing on site. Other ATMS are not within easy walking distance. Laurel will write a letter to the Royal Bank (which services the gas station ATM) and the Chevron owner to give them a head's up.) Tom suggested that a sign be posted at both entrances to the site to let people know all token costs (including food and souvenirs).

D. Discussion of Souvenirs from jerseys to mugs to ball caps.

If you have any ideas for lasting, appropriate souvenirs please let us know.

E. Backdrop

Larry suggested that a huge photo of the school could be enlarged by a company called Pac Blue (spelling?) and positioned on.....6

Norseman Field. Billboard size. People could have their class groups photographed with the 'school' in the background. Or individual photos or whatever. Joyce suggested that a photography class from a high school could be used as photographers if we wanted to sell the photos?

It was also suggested that we get large cut-outs of cheerleaders, football players, etc. done with the holes for people's faces and use them for photo ops.

F. Music

Different types of music to appeal to cross section of ages and tastes. Joyce and Bernadette have started looking for groups that would play for free.

G. 'Staff' recognition

Suggestion that volunteers, staff, event co-ordinators might wear a designated t-shirt or ball cap

H. Raffles/50-50 tickets

Discussion vetoed raffle tickets but 50-50 to be further considered as a way to raise money for a charity.

I. Sponsor Board

Suggestion that there needs to be a large signboard by the two entrances to the site that acknowledge sponsors.

J. Registration Staff

Celia will need 4 volunteers at each entrance to check off attendees, collect any money, give out Souvenir Program, wrist bands and7

nametags. If you have not volunteered for a committee chair you might consider this and let Celia know at the February 16th meeting.

K. Official Hotel

Nothing has been discussed yet. TBA

L. Notice Board

Discussion of having a white board available on site (location mentioned in Souvenir Program) for people to leave messages for friends, class years....)

M. Water on Site

Discussion around selling bottled water, especially if it is a hot day. Joyce mentioned plastic water bottles are harmful to the environment. Some discussion of a company like Canadian Springs providing water. Laurel's experience as a classroom teacher is that paper cups cause horrendous litter and are often plasticized and cannot be recycled, whereas plastic bottles can be put in a recycling bin on site. Recycleables can be donated to the cleanup crew and taken to "Changes" at Save-On for cash.

N. Legacy to the Community

Larry outlined our possible budget of what needs to be spent to make the event happen. Then he outlined the potential cash inflow from:

Registration fees

City \$1000

Possible District matching of \$1000 TBA

Sponsor ad fees TBA

Concession stand profits

Any money left over can be split between Fire Department charities8

(ie. The Burn Fund), Lions' Club charities (the kidney fund or wheelchair fund) and the North Vancouver Education Bursary Fund.

Discussion of leaving a plaque on site for Norseman Field and have an unveiling, possibly by the Mayors. Discussion of having a tree planted.

Meeting ended at approximately 9:30 p.m.

A note from Laurel:

Please let me know if you get the minutes. Just reply to the e-mail or if you are getting this by regular mail, call me at 604-980-7429.