Education Sub-committee Meeting
April 12, 2018
4:30pm-6:30pm
City Place Food Court

Present: Ken Shachtay, Louis Gaudry, Janet Hunt and Chris Sobkowicz

Regrets: Tim Johnson

The committee met to update our itinerary for Education over the next few months.
For the immediate, the committee agreed to carry out the following items:

1. Initiate the writing of the 2017 Annual Report
    a. It was decided that our committee will undertake the writing of the Annual Report this year unless we can contract a writer. The committee has an appointment with a creative writer and will be interviewing her on Thursday April 19th. Her name is Carlene Kurdziel and has shown some interest in doing this. We will determine her fees and her ability to portray our message. As a reminder, we will include the following items in the existing format of the Annual Report.
        i. Comments from the Chairperson – Councilor Eadie will be asked to write his report unless Carlene is contracted, thereby interviewing him on the highlights for the report.
        ii. Report on the Access Awards – Chris will write a review of the Access Awards.
        iii. Chris will review the photographs from the previous year to include throughout the report.
        iv. The new City of Winnipeg Accessibility Plan – may be an important article to highlight some of the great things the City of Winnipeg is planning (Optional).
        v. Committee Member Profile and Interview. We will likely select a committee member at the April 24th meeting and set up a time convenient to do an interview. Hopefully Carlene will do the interview….. Some suggestions of who to interview include: Marcella and Jocelynn Johnson.

vi. We will write up some of the highlights of the Handi Transit initiatives being considered, and the positives taking this forward.
vii. Report on the Rick Hansen Accessible Cities Award and the Barrier Buster Project at the Transcona Pool.
viii. Report on the Public Open Houses and Input from the AAC on a number of fronts such as: Pembina Highway, Southwest Rapid Transit Corridor, Polo Park area, Seine River Crossings, Vehicles For Hire, Arlington Bridge Replacement and future projects like Portage and Main intersection.
ix. Strategic Planning – Chris will bring forth information from our 2018 Action Plan as decided on in November 2017
x. A list of the Current AAC Members from 2016
xi. Update on the progress of the AMA and the new standards of Employment, and the AAC's input.
xii. Budget – Chris will prepare this report
xiii. Universal Design Feature – The importance and need……..
xiv. TEDx project and the AAC's involvement

2. Although we did not really do a lunch and learn session with a professional architectural firm last year, there was a thought that we should continue to encourage these in the new year.
3. In terms of the Website, we would like to refresh the information and redesign a front page that may be more exciting.
4. Continue to Update our Twitter feeds, tweets, and retweets, to maintain a community presence.
5. Consider registering for a Facebook account to foster the same stuff from Twitter.

The committee adjourned at 6:00 pm.