



CENTRAL COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

DATE: March 02, 2016
TO: Darla Blake, CAO
CC: Chair Alison Sayers and Board of Directors
FROM: Donna Mikkelson, CFO (Acting CAO at time of writing)

SUBJECT: Denny Island Recreation Commission (DIRC) Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Denny Island Recreation Commission Appointments report dated March 02, 2016 be received. H/c .

OPTIONS:

- A. **THAT the board of directors appoint the following to the Denny Island Recreation Commission for the term which expires on December 31, 2017 (Choose up to 3)**

THAT the board of directors appoint a member to the Denny Island Recreation Commission as their representative who will be:

OR:

- B. **THAT having provided a quorum, the board of directors decline to appoint additional members to the Denny Island Recreation Commission until further notice.**

OR:

- C. **THAT staff be instructed to bring forward the Denny Island Recreation Commission Bylaw No. 441 for amendment, particularly as it relates to Membership and Term Section 4 where it is stated that the Commission shall consist of eight members.**

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At the February meeting of the board (carried over from the December meeting), the matter of appointments to the Denny Island Recreation Commission was considered. ~~An option was put forward that the board consider resolving to suspend any funding or appointments to the commission until further notice.~~

Correspondence to the board was received from Sharon Beloin and Jayme Kennedy (February 10), both of whom expressed concern and disappointment with the recommendation to disband the DIRC. Both letters cited the benefits of retaining the function for the good of the community. They are attached to this report.

An emailed letter was also received from Mary Leslie (February 9) who commented on "some of the false allegations made and some incongruities in the names brought forward". She also noted that disbanding the DIRC would be considered a travesty and that communications between the DIRC and the CCRD could be significantly improved. Her letter to the regional district (and copied to several community members) is also attached.

Other correspondence has been sent and received between me and community members regarding this matter. These letters and notes have not been included as part of this package, but they are available at the request of the board. Rather, I have elected to convey the salient point expressed by Mary Leslie for the board's further consideration, as follows:

February 17, 2016 "In the meantime, can you please answer the question of who can, as a matter of transparency, explain why the other 3 open seats as well as the CCRD-appointed representative seat were not appointed to the DIRC given that there were more than enough community members who put their name forward? As a reminder, two of the core values as stated in the CCRD Integrated Strategic Plan are "Accountability" and "Transparency". In keeping with these core values as the acting CAO of the CCRD, will you kindly either provide an answer to the above inquiry or direct us to the person(s) who can answer the inquiry?"

I responded that I would put the question to the March board of directors meeting.

In February, the board chose to appoint four members, which constitutes a quorum and provides the DIRC to carry on with the function. Although it is the board's prerogative to do so, it leaves the question of the other seats which according to Bylaw No 441, are considered to be vacant. See "Recommendations". Any of the three recommendations will assist Administration in advancing the board's wishes.

Respectfully Submitted,



Donna Mikkelson, CFO