Leaside Memorial Community Gardens
Board of Management Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2026 @ 7:15pm by Zoom and in-person

Minutes #856

Attendees: Matt Baker (Chair), Councillor Rachel Chernos Lin, Lisa Villeneuve, Dan Teguh, (Vice Chair), Edmund Chan (Treasurer), Karin Hwang-Lew, David Martin, Brandon Parent, Ali Bokhari (by Zoom), Brendan Brooks (by Zoom), Shawn MacKay (LMCG Management), Jennifer Smith (LMCG Management), Ms. Lisa Patreau (Guest, Club Manager, Leaside Skating Club), Ms. Jill Evans (Guest, board member Leaside Skating Club)

Regrets : Waine Row (PF&R)

Call to Order:
Mr. Baker called the meeting to order at 7:18PM

Discussion with Leaside Skating Club
Ms. Patreau praised the staff of the facility and expressed gratitude for the work of the directors of operations and finance. Ms. Patreau also shared appreciation for the great work done on the renovation of Rink B, and how important it was that the work finished on time.
Further discussion centred around ice allocation and recent adjustments made to the LSC's allocation specifically as related to early starts and the realignment of weeknight and weekend ice. Ms, Patreau shared her efforts at working collaboratively with the other groups to fine tune the allocation.
The board was given information on the unique demands faced by the skating club as well as an update on the possibility of the Pro Shop offering skate sharpening services for competitive figure skaters.
The Leaside Skating Club had no concerns with the facility, but did raise the idea of a second crosswalk in the parking lot, which Mr. MacKay and Councillor Chernos Lin will investigate.

Mr. Baker thanked Ms. Patreau and Ms. Evans for joining the meeting and sharing such good information with the board.

Ms. Patreau and Ms. Evans departed the meeting.

Request for Conflict of Interest

- No conflicts declared.

Reading of City of Toronto's land Acknowledgement
Ms. Hwang-Lew read the Land Acknowledgement to open the meeting.
"We acknowledge the land we are meeting on is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the

Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit."

Adoption of Minutes of Prior Meeting
Mr. Baker called for any questions on, or corrections to, the minutes of the board meeting held March 25, 2026

Motion to approve the Board of Management meeting minutes from March 25, 2026 moved by Mr. Chan and seconded by Mr. Teguh.
CARRIED

Report of the Chair
Mr. Baker welcomed new board member Mr. Ali Bokhari and Mr. Bokhari introduced himself.

Report from the Chair of the Operations and Community Relations Committee
Ms. Hwang-Lew provided an update on the recent community clean-up initiative, "Don't Mess With Leaside" as well as "Leaside Day" in the William Lea Room on May 23rd. The Leaside Life survey has so far garnered over 1,000 results.

Mr. MacKay and Ms. Hwang-Lew are planning a security review in conjunction with TPS.

Ms. Hwang-Lew asked Mr. Mackay to coordinate a tour of the facility for all board members, in June when the next two directors have joined.

Ms. Hwang-Lew made a motion to proceed with the sale of LMCG branded apparel and merchandise. Motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Mackay provided an update on a recent trespassing issue that was resolved effectively by our staff and with police presence.

Mr. Mackay advised that recent maintenance on the RInk A compressor identified the need to replace a key valve that controls ammonia.

Motion to accept the quote from Cimco to replace the valve on Rink A's compressor at a cost of $6700+HST, moved by Mr. Teguh and seconded by Mr. Chan.
CARRIED

Details were provided on the ongoing discussion around necessary HVAC upgrades at the pool.

Report from the Chair of the Finance and HR Committee

Ms. Smith provided an update on MTD and YTD financials, noting strong performance against PY and budget, and a robust cash flow position. Advertising is sold out on Rink A, and accelerating on Rink B. The RInk A scoreboard has been renewed for 10 years, and Ms. Smith is working on selling the advertising rights on the scoreboard on Rink B.

Ice contracts for fall 2026-27 will be completed once the 2027 budget is approved by the Board. The first draft of the 2027 budget is now with the finance committee and will come to the next board meeting for approval. The draft of the new pro shop lease will be ready the last week of April, and the 2025 Audit should be complete in May.

Motion to receive the March 2026 Financial Reports, moved by Mr. Chan and seconded by Mr. Martin.

CARRIED

Mr. Chan shared that our cash position remains very strong, and that even at our lowest ebb we would have over $250K cash-on-hand. The finance committee recommends the purchase of a GIC to earn interest on this excess cash.

Motion to purchase a 1-year cashable GIC in the amount of $100,000 moved by Mr. Chan and seconded by Ms. Hwang-Lew.

CARRIED

Other Business

Safety Committee

Mr. Martin provided an update on the most recent Safety Committee initiatives, including the new plaque installed on Rink B. The next safety committee meeting is Tuesday April 28th.

Ice Allocation Project

Mr. Martin shared that a consultant has been engaged to examine all the elements of our ice allocation process to determine if there might be ways - still within the parameters of the City's Ice Allocation Policy - to, in future, better allocate ice to meet the often competing needs of our major user groups.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the LMCG Board of management will be held on May 27, 2026.

Motion to adjourn at 9:18 moved by Mr. Baker and seconded by Ms. Chan.

CARRIED