Leaside Memorial Community Gardens
Board of Management Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2026 @ 7:15pm by Zoom and in-person

Minutes #858

Attendees:, Edmund Chan (Treasurer), Dan Teguh, (Vice Chair), Karin Hwang-Lew, David Martin (by Zoom), Brandon Parent (by Zoom), Ali Bokhari (by Zoom), Shawn MacKay (LMCG Management), Jennifer Smith (LMCG Management, Zoom), Anil Bhole, Guest

Regrets : Lisa Villeneuve, Matt Baker (Chair), Councillor Rachel Chernos Lin, Brendan Brooks

Call to Order
Mr. Chan called the meeting to order at 7:15 and welcomed incoming board member, Mr. Anil Bhole, who attended the meeting as a guest, with his term commencing on June 30th.

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. Chan called for any questions on, or corrections to, the minutes of the board meeting held May 27, 2026

Motion to approve the Board of Management meeting minutes from May 27, 2026
moved by Mr.Teguh and seconded by Ms. Hwang Lew.
CARRIED

Report of the Chair
Mr. Chan thanked outgoing board members Mr. Dan Teguh and Ms. Lisa Villeneuve for their service to the board over the past 4 years. As this is the final board meeting of the season, Mr. Chan invited all board members to bring forward any open items under other business.

Report from the Chair of the Operations and Community Relations Committee

Ms. Hwang-Lew acknowledged that Mr. Martin's daughter wrote a lovely article for Leaside Life and advised the board that the September article will be on the Leaside Curling Club.
It is confirmed that our Remembrance Day event will be held on Tuesday November 10th and Ms. Hwang lew is looking to coordinate with the Leaside Heritage Preservation Society's walk to veterans' homes. Ms. Smith is taking care of getting the medals and literature framed and installed.
There was a brief update on the subject of mural restoration, and noted that the committee was still waiting on feedback from the East York Foundation vis a vis funding. The matter remains in committee pending any sort of recommendation to the board.
2027 is the arena's 75th anniversary and Ms. Hwang Lew is seeking volunteers to be on an ad hoc committee.

Update from the Director of Operations:
Mr. MacKay advised that things are running smoothly at both the pool and the arena. Mr. Parent asked for an update on the metrics related to our time spent on the pool, vs what we are reimbursed for. Mr MacKay advised that this is in progress.

Report from the Chair of the Finance and HR Committee
Mr. Chan advised that both the April and May financial packages were complete and in the drive. Ms. Smith provided an update on the M-T-D and Y-T-D financials, noting that ice revenues are ahead of budget, and overall the operations are trending up on revenue and down on expense. In light of the many unique circumstances in 2025, further reporting will simply focus on performance against budget. Ms. Smith drew attention to the status of the pro shop lease (final revisions by our lawyers and presented to the tenant at the beginning of July; noted that ice contracts are complete through April 2027; and updated that we have had a site visit from Freedom Mobile and are waiting on their lease proposal for an antennae on our property.
Mr. Parent asked for an update on the consultant's work on the ice allocation process. Mr. Martin advised the work was complete and a final report was being prepared.

Motion to receive the April 2026 and May 2026 financial packages moved by Mr. Chan and seconded by Mr. Teguh.
CARRIED

Mr. Chan advised that Ms. Smith has given notice of her intent to retire effective December 31, 2026. The board will need to strike an ad hoc hiring committee and Mr. Chan invited board members to email him any expressions of interest, in his capacity as Chair of the Finance and HR Committee. Members agreed it would be valuable to have Ms. Smith as a part of the hiring committee.

Other Business
No new/other business was discussed.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the LMCG Board of management will be held September 23, 2206

Motion to adjourn at 8:22 moved by Mr. Teguh and seconded by Mr. Chan.

CARRIED