Present:

Senyo Agbeyaka, Steve Calverley, Gerry Cunningham, Emily DeBenedictus, Rebecca Doll, Brenda Duke, Angela Eady, Laura Farr, Caitlin Fralick, Holly Franzke, Sarah Glen, Deryck Glodon, Lise Lafreniere, Cathy Licop, Julie Michal, Ralph Meiers, Daniel Moore, Ellen Morris, Alfair Reid, Andrew Reid, Eric Reid, Michael Root, Tim Tapp, Candy Venning,

Chair: Gerry Cunningham

Recording secretary: Angela Eady

AGENDA ITEM	KEY POINTS	ACTION
1.	Welcome and introductions	
2. Approval of agenda	Additions: Presentation to Council	
3. Approval of minutes	Moved to accept by M Root. Seconded by L Farr, carried.	
4. Business arising (refreshments)	 Hamilton Community Foundation has approved \$500 for 2014 meetings; money not available yet. Suggestion: Ask Tim Hortons for donations. \$23 is left over from the November Action Plan Meeting; C Venni will use this money for refreshments at the Feb 1 meeting 	C Venning to provide refreshments for next meeting R Doll & B Duke to check with Tim Hortons
5. Treasurer's report (A Reid)	 A Reid submitted the Treasurer's Report: Gala Herald: HCF balance:\$1382.56 Ads \$3233.19 (\$130 outstanding) A Reid moved that \$100 be allocated to petty cash for the Herald. R Doll seconded. Carried. The printer met with the Publishing Team and instituted 30-day terms for invoicing/payment. L Farr incurred costs for newspaper party. She should be reimbursed from the Herald account. A Reid requested reports for small grants: an interim report for the Halloween event and a final report for GALA Blooms. A Reid moved to accept Treasurer's Report. B Duke seconded. Carried. 	A Reid to send e-mail to GLNA for interim report C Venning to submit GALA Blooms final report

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6. Herald Newspaper report (B Duke, T Tapp)	 Next issue is the March-April issue. L Farr will help B Duke with the editor position. Prepublication meeting scheduled for Jan 16. Distribution close to complete: more volunteers are needed for delivery, A newspaper wrap party was held on Jan 9. 	
7. Web site (D Glodin)	•Herald articles will be posted on web site •Individual committee activities can be communicated via web site.	D Glodon to indicate format for submissions
	INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS	
8a. Parks & Gardens (C Venni)	C Venning will serve as information resource/hub and will help when possible, but business obligations will constrain her time, particularly during the gardening season A meeting is planned for the middle of Feb	
8b. Lanes & Alleys (B Duke)	 Committee met once. Members who wish to adopt an alley or park and need a second person for the form can ask the team for a person to help with this task. The committee, together with GLNA will hold an information evening with participation from workers from parks and by-law enforcement. T Tapp will map out alleys in GALA, 	
8c. Barton St Revitalization (J Michal)	•A meeting will be held on Tues Jan 14. •Crown Point will attend to discuss shared values and work on Barton-Kenilworth corridor.	
8d. Education (D Moorel)	 GALA partnered with Sherman Hub to host Paul Beattie, principal of Parkview, at the Sherman Hub regular meeting. Another event will be hosted in February with Tim Simmons and John Malloy as participants. Ellen Morris will write education article for the GALA Herald and Sherman News. A transition committee meeting will be held on Tuesday Jan 14. 	E Morris to attend transition committee meeting & write article

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8e.Recreation (H Franzke)	 The Wever CORE meeting will include discussions with the City about getting a gym for Pinky Lewis. The meeting will be on Jan 15 at 5 pm in the library at Cathy Wever. 	
8f. Safety (D Moore)	 The committee plans to welcome the new policing centre at Barton & Wentworth; a card was passed around to sign. The committee will partner with Sherman to show the documentary <i>Red Llght, Green Light</i>. 	
9. Small grants (R Doll)	Committee to meet before next Planning Team meeting.	
10. Neighbourhood Leadership Institute (S Glen)	 The NLI will be hosting training sessions on Saturdays from 10 to 2. Two members from each team are eligible to work on a specific ideas with a grant of up to \$500; application deadline is Jan 17. J Michal and G Cunningham are each partnering with a person from Crown Point. G Cunningham's project: to develop a handbook for how to create a neighbourhood newspaper. J Michal's project: a community consultation on changing the tax incentives for vacant properties on Bartion St. R Doll moved to endorse these two projects. C Licop seconded. Carried. 	
11. Partnering with Keith Hub on Woodlands Park Easter Event (B Duke)	 Brenda will represent GALA at the planning meeting. GALA has been asked to contribute. Brenda will suggest that more in-kind donations be sought and to limit the contribution to \$300. 	B Duke to report back to planning team on meeting
12. Cable 14 taping (R Doll)	 G Cunningham and R Doll will represent GALA on Cable 14 recording. GALA will share program with Crown Point on Jan 28. 	R Doll to ask for digital recording of program

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13. Jan 30 Building Momentum	6 residents will represent GALA at the Building Momentum event at Liuna Station.	R Doll to set meeting to plan talking points
14. GALA presentation to City Hall (R Doll)	 GALA will present the action plan to City Hall on Wednesday Feb 15; all are encouraged to attend to show support. Meeting starts at 9:30 am. 	
15. Action Tracker	J Michael is GALA's Action Tracker and will meet with committees to report on progress.	
16. Upcoming election	 A discussion was held about engaging residents in voting. Ideas: use newspapers to ask questions of candidates; all-candidates meeting; invite candidates to planning team meetings. 	
17. Mission Services Space	GALA now has office space at Mission Services.	

Next meeting: February 1, 2014 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m

Barton branch of the Hamilton Public Library, 571 Barton Street East