

RIDGE MEADOWS SENIORS SOCIETY

Open Board Meeting held Thursday, Nov. 20, 2025 at 09:30 am
Maple Ridge Seniors Activity Centre,
12150 – 224 th Street, Maple Ridge, B.C. V2X 3N8

PRESENT: Karen Hjort-Olsen, Bobbi Duncan, Patricia Gordon, Margaret Attwell, Deborah Jamieson, Beth Turner

STAFF: Maria Perretta (Executive Director)

LIAISONS: Councillor Bob Meachen (Pitt Meadows), Tara Berdej (Recreation Manager Program Community Services Maple Ridge)

REGRETS: Leslie Carnie, Rich Bosma (Manager of Recreation, Pitt Meadows), Councillor Onyeka Dozie (Maple Ridge)

1.0 Land Acknowledgement

2.0 Call to order

- The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am.

3.0 Approval of the agenda

- **MOTION:** Beth Turner moved to approve the agenda as presented.
Seconded by Deborah Jamieson. **CARRIED**

4.0 Approval of the minutes of Oct. 16, 2025

- **MOTION:** Deborah Jamieson moved to approve the minutes as presented.
Seconded by Bobbi Duncan. **CARRIED.**

5.0 Reports

5.1 Liaisons

- **Tara Berdej (Maple Ridge)**
 - Playfest event at Albion Hall to be held Nov. 21/22. Friday nite event 250 tickets sold out. Sat event is free. Hope to make it annual event.
 - Dec. 6 – Santa Claus Parade
 - Dec. 13 - Albion Hall Pancake breakfast with Santa
 - Dec. 14 – Skateboard event at the Greg Moore Youth Centre
 - Dec. 19 – CPKC Christmas Train with 'Barenaked Ladies' band
 - Last week of Customer Appreciation week at both Albion and Leisure Centre
- **Councillor Bob Meachen (Pitt Meadows)**
 - Nov. 24/25 is Business Planning in council chambers 5:30 pm start
 - Nov. 26 is the Salvation Army Dignity Breakfast at South Bonson Community Centre
 - Dec. 5 is 'Christmas in Pitt Meadows' at Spirit Square

5.2 Maria Perretta, Executive Director

- New Grapevine look and design getting lots of positive comments
- Nov. 22 is Pitt Meadows Artisan Fair from 1030 to 2 pm
- Dec. 4 (Pitt Meadows) and Dec. 9 (Maple Ridge) Christmas event tickets selling well
- Outreach Coordinator Bev attended the Seniors Network Dementia and Age Friendly meeting
 - Scorecard updating by City of Maple Ridge, required by W.H.O., for Age & Dementia Friendly designation, plus updating, based on identified alterations completed to date.
- EngAge program at Maple Ridge doing very well with 20 on the waitlist
- Caregivers programs expanding and now include both RMSS centres as well as Golden Ears Church, Chartwell/Willows and Maple Ridge Seniors Village

5.3 Finance

- Deborah Jamieson reported that the financial report format is being tweaked and that we are 'breaking even'.

6.0 New Business

- No new business

7.0 Old Business

7.1 Bookkeeper

- Karen reported that the permanent bookkeeper position of 30 hrs/week has been posted on Indeed with lots of applicants
- Also a company contacted us about the option of outsourcing the bookkeeper services; more information to follow
- ETA of new bookkeeper starting is Jan. 2026

7.2 Wellness Fair

- Oct. 25, 2025 Wellness Fair put on by Seniors Network at Maple Ridge Activity Centre went very well with over 100 in attendance
- RMSS will be the home to future Wellness Fair events

7.3 Perimeter Work at Maple Ridge Activity Centre

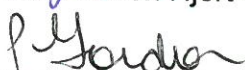
- The work has begun to fix the problem and will be completed by the end of the week

8.0 Adjournment

- **MOTION:** Bobbi Duncan moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Deborah Jamieson. **CARRIED.**
- Meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m.



President - Karen Hjort-Olsen



Secretary - Patricia Gordon

Date Jan 15 / 26