

Community Chest 1937


Minutes of meeting held in the Y.W.C.A. on June 7th, 1937 at 8 P.M., for the purpose of organizing a Community Chest. This meeting was called by the Welfare Maintenance Committee of the Council of Social Agencies, under authority of the Council, dated May 14th, 1937.

Present: Brig. Gen. J.G. Austin, Mrs. W. Ellis, Dr. Olga Jardine, E.I.W. Jardine, D. M. Duncan, E. W. McMullen, W. B. Lanigan, Hew Paterson, Mrs. W.P.D. Pemberton H. I. Mallek, Mrs. Kenneth Barr, Walter Miles, Geo, McDonald, Duncan McBride, H. B. Witter and F. E. Winslow.

On motion of Mr. Paterson, seconded by Mr. Jardine, Mr. Winslow was elected chairman of the meeting.

After Roll Call, Mr. Winslow explained the purpose of the meeting was the organization of the community chest. Sponsored by the Council of Social Agencies, whose Committee on Welfare Maintenance, under the chairmanship of Dr. D. M. Duncan, had done much preliminary work, the need for a chest was now an established fact and fifteen organizations had signified their willingness to join an organized scheme for joint financing. It was thought that other organizations would be prepared to join, once the plans were further advanced.

Dr. D. M. Duncan, the chairman of the Welfare Maintenance Committee of the Council was then asked for his report. He explained that this committee was given power to convene this meeting, to make additions or substitutions to the board that had been approved by the Council, and to fill the honorary offices. His committee, however, had gone further and were prepared to submit a list of nomination for officers and committees, the thought being that such action on the part of the committee would expedite the organization of the Board.



On motion of Mr. Witter, seconded by Mr. McBride, the action of the Committee was approved and Dr. Duncan proceeded with his report, which is appended hereto:

On motion of Mr. Geo. McDonald, seconded by Mr. McBride, the nominations were approved and the officers elected.


On motion of Mr. Jardine, seconded by Mr. McDonald, the committees were appointed, each committee, however, having the power to add to its members.

Mr. Winslow then read the list of the Board members, which was approved. (List appended hereto:)

The question of incorporation and the name for the organization was then discussed. It was moved by Mr. Miles and seconded by Mr. McDonald, that the organization be known and incorporated as the Greater Victoria Community Chest. Dr. D. M. Duncan then moved and Mr. Jardine seconded that Mr. Lindley Crease, a member of the Board, be asked to arrange for incorporation.

The matter of a decision for a campaign this year, to raise funds for 1938 was then placed before the meeting - After full discussion it was moved by Mr. Witter and seconded by Mr. Jardine that a campaign be held in October or November of this year, the date for such a campaign being left to the Executive.

The next matter for discussion was for authority to be given to the Executive Committee to deal with the following:



- (a) To arrange for year-round headquarters for Budget.
- (b) To arrange for down-town headquarters of Budget for campaign purposes, as from August 1st or 15th.
- (c) To make formal engagement of secretarial services as from July 1st.
- (d) To complete the organization of Campaign Committee on advice of Campaign Chairmen.
- (e) To complete the personnel of the Board by inviting honorary membership.
- (f) To take such progressive steps as will give due publicity to the proposed campaign.

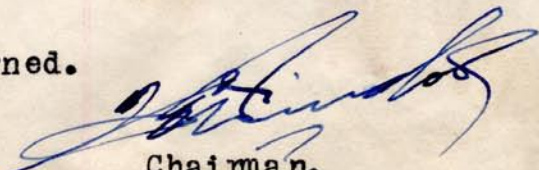
It was moved by Mr. Witter and seconded by Mrs. Ellis that the Executive be given authority to deal with the matters listed.

It was offered as a suggestion to the Executive, in connection with Section (f) of the foregoing, that an advertisement might be placed in the daily press, regarding the organization of the Chest, so that all organizations might know that such action was contemplated.

There was some discussion regarding the cost of the campaign, and the administration of the chest throughout the year, and it was stated that the estimated cost was in the neighborhood of 5% of the objective, which would be very low considering the amount of money to be raised.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.


Chairman.