

Dovercourt Recreation Association

Board Business Summary: January 2018

Financial Update: The annual audit is scheduled for early February. This important process is required to maintain our status as a registered charity by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and our service agreement with the City of Ottawa. A complete audit is expected to be reviewed and approved at the April Board meeting.

2018 Operating Budget: The Board approved the operating budget for 2018, projecting a small deficit, mainly attributable to the implementation of the provincial legislation on [Fair Workplaces Act](#). Dovercourt is committed to remaining an important employer of youth in our city. To help alleviate the impact of the new legislation, an operational review to create internal economies and a nominal fee increase were implemented.

Building Expansion Update: This project remains on hold to save on winter construction costs. Additional fundraising is expected for Spring 2018.

Annual Board Assessment: As part of the preparation for the annual strategic retreat, planned on April 8th, the Board completes a survey to ensure that it is functioning well, that the demands on it to govern are reasonable, and that it is getting the right information at the right time.

Executive Director Update: One of the highlights of 2017 was the 30th anniversary celebrations held on December 1st. More than 200 attendees representing current staff and board members and board and staff alumni going back over 30 years, as well as our loyal sponsors and friends, including our City Councillor Jeff Leiper and Mayor Jim Watson.

In other highlights, winter camps held over the Holidays were very successful and staff were busy planning and preparing for 2018.