

Meeting 2009 Jan 19 COUNCIL REPORT

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: BURNABY BARRACUDAS GRANT REQUEST

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT the Burnaby Barracudas receive a grant in the amount of \$1,500.
- 2. THAT the grant "General Policy and Guidelines" be modified to include:
 - a) the maximum grant per team/club is \$1,500 at one time
 - b) only provincial, interprovincial, national and international championship competitions will be considered. Grants will not be provided for invitational competitions.

REPORT

The Executive Committee of Council, at its 'Open' meeting held on 2009 January 12, received and adopted the <u>attached</u> report providing information regarding a request by the Burnaby Barracudas for grant funds.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor P. Calendino Chair

Councillor N. Volkow Vice Chair

cc: City Manager

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

Director Finance



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COMMITTEE REPORT

TO:

CHAIR AND MEMBERS

DATE:

2008 December 10

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

FROM:

DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT:

BURNABY BARRACUDAS GRANT REQUEST

PURPOSE:

To provide the Committee with information on a grant request.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the Burnaby Barracudas receive a grant in the amount of \$1,500.00.

- 2. THAT the grant "General Policy and Guidelines" be modified to include:
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REPORT

At its meeting of 2008 October 20, the Executive Committee of Council received a delegation from the Burnaby Barracudas as well as a letter from Mr Duncan Wong, Vice President of the Barracudas, requesting a grant for 26 of their members who attended provincial competitions in Trail, BC last August.

The overall intent of the Executive Committee grant program, as stated in the Terms of Reference, is ,"...to assist athletic...groups who ...conduct promotional activities beneficial to Burnaby." There are three guidelines for recreational sport organizations to gain access to this grant:

The first is a travel grant for those who have competed and won a provincial championship and will need to travel in order to compete in national competition or have won nationals and need to travel for international competition. Of the 11 grants given to sport organizations in 2008, 9 teams or individuals received a grant in this category, although 2 earned a berth in a national competition without actually winning the provincial competition. The second guideline is to assist an organization in hosting a national championship competition in Burnaby. No grants were provided in this category. The third category is a contribution that will be considered for general expenses for teams travelling to provincial tournaments outside the lower mainland. The request from the Barracudas would apply to this guideline as did 2 of the 11 previous grants.

To: Executive Committee of Council

From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

Re: Burnaby Barracudas Grant Request

The Recreational Sport grant guidelines bring recognition to Burnaby through the accomplishments of resident competitors, while supporting a Burnaby resident or team in athletic endeavours. In order to maintain the intent of the guidelines, it is recommended that teams or individuals must have earned a spot at the competition that they are attending. The grant would not apply to an invitational competition, which a team having some resources, could attend regardless of their standing in the sport. This additional guideline would support that the applicants are representing a Burnaby team, the province or the country in an official capacity.

Of the \$142,902.33 disbursed in 2008, just \$6,675.00 went to individuals or teams in the Sports category. Nonetheless, the guidelines identify a per athlete amount and do not have a funding limit for teams. A swim club, like the Barracudas, has 250 club members. When an organization is applying for a grant on behalf of the entire team, it is recommended that a limit of \$1,500.00 is implemented to offset travel costs. This same maximum funding contribution would apply to hosting a Canadian Championship, although in-kind services may be considered additionally.

The Burnaby Barracuda application, as stated, qualifies for a grant based on the third guideline for sports. It is recommended that the club receive \$1,500.00 as the maximum contribution for a team attending a provincial competition.

Dave Ellenwood

DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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