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Project Ploughshares Calgary Annual Report 2014

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"If in our daily life we can smile, if we can be peaceful and happy, not only we, but everyone will profit from it. This is the most basic kind of peace work."

— Thich Nhat Hanh, Being Peace





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Summary of Remarks from Chairperson, Tracey Braun

June 2015 marks the end of my first year as Chairperson of Project Ploughshares Calgary. When I stepped into this role, I knew that the learning curve would be steep but the rewards would be great. I'm pleased that together we have accomplished so many things and that we continue to find new ways of learning, celebrating, and engaging with peace work.

Karen Huggins, our Program Director, continues to be a steady hand and strong voice for PPC, and I am always delighted by our conversations and the creative, collaborative nature of the work that she has produced for us. Sally Hodges transitioned into the role of Past Chairperson and provided much advice from her own experience, and while her time on the Executive has come to an end I am sure that she will continue to be a support for us in the years to come. Our other Executive members – Bev Delong, Jean Tollefson, Lena Osman, Karin Nybo, Carl Svoboda, Tom Angelakis, and Saima Jamal – took on many different roles and continue to work as an effective and strong leadership team, bringing new ideas to the table while ensuring the work we have committed to is done well. Thank you to them, and to our numerous volunteers who have sat on committees, set up tables, held fundraisers, and made coffee – we cannot do this without all of you!

PPC has many events and activities that have helped define us. Our Annual Peace Fair was held for a second year at Parkdale United, and once again we were able to showcase the work of many organizations to a broad audience. Our publicity for this event included an on-site media interview, complete with video, as well as increased engagement on social media channels. The Toy Audit, imported from one of our sister chapters, was an opportunity to include volunteers and reach out to different stores in the city. The Peace Run and Walk Festival included many events that got people moving, and was another great way to work with others in the community.

Project Ploughshares Calgary Amended Balance Sheet as at December 31

ASSETS	2014	2013
Cash		
Designated Funds - Tollefson	2,406	2,909
Designated Funds - Peace Pole	2,314	2,315
Designated Funds - Peace Run	<u>0</u>	<u>2,243</u>
Total Designated Funds Account	4,720	7,467
General Operating Account	<u>18,041</u>	<u>17,164</u>
Total Cash	<u>22,761</u>	<u>24,631</u>
Receivables		
Receivables	0	1,582
Project Ploughshares National Receivable	<u>3,120</u>	<u>4,111</u>
Total Receivables	<u>3,120</u>	<u>5,693</u>
Investments		
Mennonite Foundation Deposit - Restricted	26,000	26,000
OIKO Credit Investment -Unrestricted	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
Total Investments	<u>31,000</u>	<u>31,000</u>
Fixed Assets		
Office Furniture & Equipment	5,751	5,751
Accumulated. Amortization	<u>-4,357</u>	<u>-4,357</u>
Total Fixed Assets	<u>1,394</u>	<u>1,394</u>
Deposits	<u>200</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>58,475</u>	<u>62,718</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payables	1,351	1,792
Vacation payable (payroll)	375	354
Project Ploughshares National Payable	3,120	4,111
GST Owing (Refundable)	<u>-101</u>	<u>-654</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>4,745</u>	<u>5,604</u>
NET ASSETS		
Restricted Funds	26,000	26,000
Retained Earnings - Previous Year	31,114	33,026
Current Earnings	<u>-3,384</u>	<u>-1,911</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>53,730</u>	<u>57,114</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>58,475</u>	<u>62,718</u>

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Amended Income Statement for the Year Ending December 31

INCOME	2014	2013
Donations		
Donations – Individuals	6,570	8,071
Donations – Charities	1,415	3,650
Peace Run Donations	2,500	6,880
Donations - Anonymous	48	12
Total Donations	10,533	18,613
Revenue/Other Income		
Peace Run	10,125	21,343
Spolumbo’s Sales	8,542	8,088
Peace Fair	5,420	7,358
Spring Workshop	1,881	1,710
Interest Income	806	754
Special Events Revenue	1,091	
Entertainment Books (net)	320	230
Miscellaneous Revenue	360	429
Total Revenue/Other Income	28,545	39,912
TOTAL INCOME	39,078	51,645
EXPENSES		
Payroll & Honoraria	17,959	18,072
Operating Expenses		
Telephone	1,573	1,515
Bookkeeping	1,102	1,299
Office Supplies	763	862
Printing/Newsletter	267	796
Bank Charges	129	252
Misc (Advertising, licences, donations)	269	120
Website Maintenance	700	0
Monthly Executive Meetings	554	0
Total Operating Expenses	5,357	4,844
Fundraising/Project Expenses		
Peace Run	7,531	20,626
Spolumbo’s Purchases	6,600	6,186
Peace Fair	3,074	2,488
Spring Workshop	1,062	1,340
Special Events Expenses	879	0
Total Fundraising/Project Expenses	19,146	30,640
TOTAL EXPENSES	42,462	53,556
NET INCOME	-3,384	-1,911

Our Spring Workshop this year was “Teaching for Local & Global Justice” with Virginia Cawagas & Swee Hin Toh. The presenters challenged us to think deeply and gave us many chances to work together on issues while providing many insights and ideas for teaching and learning.

We continued to hold monthly meetings, which we tried to plan around a few themes. Our first theme was historical: 2014 marked the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I, and we felt it important to note the peace work that had been a part of that era. Our June event, “War Does Not Define Us – Beyond the Centenary Celebrations” was a chance to learn about some specific persons and events, and our December event showcased the film “Joyeux Noel” and its story of the Christmas Peace Truce in the trenches. Celebrating the peace work that has come before us can give us ideas for what we can do now, and it can help us feel less alone both as individuals and as an organization.

Our second theme was children and youth: in addition to the Toy Audit, we focused our October event on the impact of video games and have been working on a potential opportunity to include more peace education in the high school curriculum. Our third theme, environment, not only came into play in our event planning but in how we worked: we continue to look at how we can lower our eco-footprint by using reusable and/or compostable dinnerware, for example.

Project Ploughshares Calgary is fortunate to have many great allies and friends in the community. We celebrated the release of *Peacemakers: How People Around the World are Building a World Free of War* in August with the Hon. Douglas Roche, OC and came together with the 2020 Vision for Humanity Network for the Memorial Lantern event. We have also lent our support to others by promoting their activities in our newsletter. Peace happens in community, and we are proud to be a part of such a great one.

But, truth be told, the work is not always easy. We continue to struggle with low attendance rates at some events, but are heartened when we see new faces in the crowd. Calgary's weather again impacted us, with a sudden heavy snow resulting in the postponement of our September event. And I am especially grateful to Karen and the Executive for stepping in suddenly and taking on the Remembrance Day service when I was called away for family reasons, because it illustrated how taking care of each other is part of the work for a peaceful world. We do not build peace alone; we build it together, in community, every day.

In peace,

Tracey @ PPC

Project Ploughshares Calgary Executive, 2014-15

Tracey Braun

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Jean Tollefson

Lena Osman

Karin Nybo

Carl Svoboda

Tom Angelakis

Saima Jamal

2014 Project Ploughshares Calgary Events

April	Calgary Peace Run Festival Volunteer Appreciation
June	War Does Not Define Us – Beyond the Centenary Celebrations
August	Douglas Roche Book Launch – <i>Peacemakers: How People Around the World are Building a World Free of War</i>
September	Spirituality and the Environment
November	The Pros and Cons of Video Games
December	Joyeux Noel (film screening) Project Ploughshares Holiday Open House

Special Annual Events

June	Spring Workshop – Teaching for Local & Global Justice with Virginia Cawagas & Swee Hin Toh
August	Memorial Lantern Event at Olympic Plaza
September	Calgary Peace Run
October	Calgary Toy Audit
November	Remembrance Day Holiday Peace Fair