



Vanier committee to rethink summer meetings

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EMC community - Following disappointing turnouts over the summer months, the Vanier Beautification group will be revising its meeting schedule moving forward.

Earlier this year, the group proposed holding meeting over the summer, as it had been the busiest period for the group's activities.

But after disappointing attendance at those meetings - only three members turned out for the July meeting - the group will be revisiting the schedule.

"It was originally thought that, given that we are most active in the summer, meetings should continue, said Lucie Marleau, the group's co-chairwoman. "All good in concept but turned out differently when applied in practice."

Marleau and fellow co-chairwoman Marguerite Beaulieu are not disappointed by the attendance issue - during other periods of the year, as many as 20 people can be found sitting around the Vanier Beautification meeting table.

The group's purpose is to take action and Marleau was quick to point out that action does not happen in a meeting room.

"One of the things that I most appreciate about our members is that many of them now undertake beautification projects all on their own and contact us if they need supplies or advice," she said.

Member initiatives include creatively dressing up public spaces, taking over abandoned flower boxes, graffiti removal and litter collection, activities that continued throughout the summer.

Marleau noted group members have been great at maintaining communication throughout the summer and thanks to the group's electronic newsletters, a steady exchange of emails and word-of-mouth chatter on the streets, members have volunteered at a number of events over the summer.

The group will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Sept. 18 at the Francophone Centre at 270 Marier Ave.

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