

~ 2022 Annual General Meeting ~
Minutes

Present (M = member in good standing): Alexandra de Jong Westman (M), Steve Smyth (M), Sheila Downey (M), Bill Klassen (M), Shawna Warshawski (M), Chris Evans (M), Melissa Croskery (M), Justine Benjamin (M), Eamonn Pinto (M), Jake Paleczny (staff), Lindsay Caskenette (staff).

Housekeeping Overview

1. Determine Quorum

We have 7 members in good standing which exceeds the required 5 members, quorum is met.

2. Call to Order

12:09pm

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda. Motion Shawna Warshawski, 2nd Melissa Croskery. Carried.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from 2021-07-21 AGM. Motion Steve Smyth, 2nd Justine Benjamin. Carried.

5. President's Remarks

Alexandra made remarks regarding the year. Exec met monthly. Jake kept the board on track with strat planning. Where we are is a testament to hard work of staff and board. Written President's remarks are in annual report.

6. Financial Report

Jake presented a few points from financial statements. Highlighted change in accounting policy (notes 9 and 10). Highlighted status

Motion to accept 2021-22 Financial Reports as presented. Motion Steve Smyth, 2nd Chris Evans. Carried.

7. Elections

Note:

Elections of positions and officers will be elected by the board at the first meeting after the AGM on July 20th 2022 at 5pm.

The following directors are completing their terms at this AGM:

- *Alexandra de Jong Westman (2 year term)*
- *Shawna Warshawski (2 year term)*
- *Justine Benjamin (2 year term)*
- *Melissa Croskery (2 year term)*
- *Chris Evans (1 year term)*
- *Eamonn Pinto (1 year term)*
- *Steve Smyth (1 year term)*

The following directors have completed one year of their two year term at this AGM:

- *Kirks Cameron (2 year term)*

Nominations from the floor:

None

Election Roster:

- *Alexandra de Jong Westman (2 year term)*
- *Shawna Warshawski (2 year term)*
- *Justine Benjamin (2 year term)*
- *Melissa Croskery (2 year term)*
- *Chris Evans (1 year term)*
- *Eamonn Pinto (1 year term)*
- *Steve Smyth (1 year term)*
- *Bonnie Love (2 year term)*

Motion to appoint the roster of directors as presented. Motion Steve Smyth. 2nd Justine Benjamin. Carried.

8. Appointment of Accountant

Motion to appoint Erik Hoenisch as the accountant for the YWPOS until a successor is appointed.
Motion Steve Smyth. 2nd Steve Smyth. Carried.

Note:

Our accountant of many years, Kristine Lawrie (Kristine Lawrie CPA Ltd), is no longer working with non-profits. In Erik Hoenisch (Crowe Mackay LLP) was appointed by the YWPOS board at their October 20, 2021 meeting.

Per the Societies Act, an accountant must be appointed via general resolution by the members.

As a Category A society the YWPOS does not need to request any exemption (i.e. to “Waive an Audit”) because the Preserve is exceeding the minimum requirements by providing financial statements that have been reviewed by an accountant on an annual basis.

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn. Melissa Croskery, 2nd Steve Smyth. Carried.