
CULTURAL EXPERIENCES FOR ALL

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 18 FEBRUARY 2018

2805 Carlow Road, Langford

Quorum Confirmed: Present: Nancy Cardin, Judith Cullington (President), Laura Davis, Albert Davis, Bill Fletcher, Rose Fletcher, Charla Huber (Director), Duc Le (Treasurer), Hilary Mackey (Director), Linda Munroe, Jeremy Notheisz (Vice-President), David Stocks (Secretary), Frances Stocks, Lawrence Surges.

Agenda: Adoption moved by Albert, seconded by Lawrence, and carried.

Prior Minutes: Minutes from the Annual General Meeting of November 26, 2017 were previously circulated. Approval moved by Albert, seconded by Jeremy, and carried.

Report from the President: Judith reported on recent progress and future intentions. On motion by Lawrence, seconded by David, the report was accepted.

Report from the Treasurer: Duc presented the financial statements, as attached. Duc emphasised that we are active despite modest income and expenses. Duc also stressed the need to follow formal accounting and reporting standards because we are a registered charity. On motion by Hilary, seconded by Frances, the report was accepted.

Report from the Vice-President: Jeremy spoke about the need to increase the Society's profile in the community. He recommended that we establish connections with other arts & culture groups. Also, he recommended that we create a display and show it at numerous arts & culture events in greater Victoria. On motion by Jeremy, seconded by Charla, the members resolved to form a Profile Committee to implement Jeremy's recommendations. Jeremy will Chair the committee, will seek members, and will report to meetings of directors.

Report from Director Hilary: Hilary and Lawrence reported on their inspections of several theatres in Ontario. They recommended that all members should become familiar with various theatres so we can give reliable advice to our architect.

Bill asked about the theatres in the secondary schools. Judith explained that those, and the casino theatre, had several deficiencies relative to the needs of our expected clients. Judith also recognised that those facilities will divert some types of demands for our intended facility.

Report from West Shore Arts Council: Laura reported that 2017 was a big year for WSAC because the budget and activities were increased. All 5 West Shore municipalities donated to WSAC. Laura is attempting to establish reliable funding on a *per capita* basis. WSAC is considering creating a series of festivals, including an event on April 21.

Laura reiterated that we need a home for arts and culture on the West Shore. She recommended that we hold a public forum to promote our cause in June 2018, similar to the forum held in 2017.

Bylaw Revisions: On motion by David, seconded by Jeremy, bylaw revisions were adopted as follows:

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A. In bylaw 1(1), add the definition of organization, as follows:

“organization” means a for-profit corporation, a non-profit corporation, or an unincorporated group of people that is involved in, or supports, arts and culture.

B. Delete bylaw 4 and insert the following:

4a. An individual person may apply to the directors for individual membership in the society and, on acceptance by the directors and payment of the required annual dues, is an individual member until the beginning of the second annual meeting after acceptance.

4b. An organization may apply to the directors for organizational membership in the society and, on acceptance by the directors and payment of the required annual dues, is an organizational member until the beginning of the second annual meeting after acceptance.

4c. An organizational member may appoint a person to represent the organization in meetings of the society and may change its representative at any time by notice in writing. Such a representative will have all the rights and privileges of an individual member during the period of representing an organizational member.

4d. Membership renewals shall be valid from the beginning of an AGM until the beginning of the next AGM.

C. In bylaw 23, delete the word “corporate” and insert the word “organizational”.

D. Whereas BC has cancelled the Society Act under which we were incorporated and the replacement legislation is called the Societies Act, all instances of “Society Act” in our bylaws will be replaced by “Societies Act”.

E. Whereas Bylaw 37(3) provides “Voting by electronic mail is not permitted.” but the directors wish to have the convenience of voting by email, subject to appropriate safeguards, bylaw 37(3) will be deleted and replaced by the following:

37(3) Voting by electronic mail will be permitted for motions for which the Secretary certifies: that the motion has been sent by email to all directors and a quorum of directors have indicated that they do not object to an email vote unless a director has requested that the motion be brought to a meeting of directors..

Election of Directors: All current directors except Hilary Mackey indicated willingness to serve for another year. Lawrence Surges volunteered to serve as a director. There being 6 volunteers for up to 9 positions, it was moved by Linda and seconded by Hilary that these members be elected as directors: Judith Cullington, Charla Huber, Duc Le, Jeremy Notheisz, David Stocks, and Lawrence Surges. Directors will set their roles at a meeting on February 25, 2018, at 3 p.m.

Next AGM: The date, time, and location of the next AGM will be announced in due course of events.

Further Business: There being no further business, the meeting ended at 4:32 p.m.