

Minutes – Annual General

Britannia

Meeting – May 28, 2014

**BRITANNIA COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTRE SOCIETY
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday, May 28, 2014
Gym D - 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order

The Annual General Meeting was called to order by Gwen Giesbrecht, President of the Board of Management at 6:10 p.m.

Special Olympics – Daniel Kim expressed thanks to Britannia for their support for the Special Olympics athletes who use Britannia for training. We appreciate the use of the facilities; it is a place where they feel included.

2. Agenda and Notice of the Annual General Meeting

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AND NOTICE FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, THE NOTICE OF MEETING WAS CIRCULATED IN THE COURIER FOR THE 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Dorothy Barkley/ Margaret Vis

Carried

3. Minutes of 2012 Annual General Meeting

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE 2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2013.

Ray Gallagher/Penny Street

Carried

3. President's Report

Gwen Giesbrecht asked people to review her report on page 3 of the Annual Report. Gwen stated that when asked to compile the report she never knows where to start or end. I had the great opportunity to be on site when we hosted Gymnaestrada last weekend and it was a wonderful event. Some of those people had never been at Britannia. The word that she kept hearing all day was community. We know how strong this community is, the comment heard was "WOW what a great community".

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT AS PRESENTED.

Margaret Vis/Eva Sharell

Carried

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6. Executive Director's report.

Cynthia Low presented her report on page 4. Thank you for being here especially our partners and Special Olympics, Mobilization against War and Occupation, and the Haiko group. Britannia is unique; we provide space to community groups. It is our goal to facilitate a community. It is so important to remember how unique Britannia is. To enhance the life and wellbeing of the people who live and play in this community is our goal. I thank the 2013-2014 Board of Management for their commitment and dedication. I was lucky to be involved with a very dedicated group in this community. This year we have relocated our programs from Lion's Den and our hope is that we once again have an opportunity to program that facility. We have a library that provides programming space and an art gallery for the community. We have events for supports for artists. Every Board member sits on one committee; sometimes two. We have Kickstand and a Carving Pavilion; there is information on the carving project on the wall at the back of the room. Thanks to Sabine Tanskiuk our Child Care Manager for the work done in child care area. I really do work with a nice group of people. Goal for the coming year is to work hard at telling the Britannia story. I intend to learn to Tweet this year.

Gwen thanked Cynthia for her work and expressed thanks to all those working on this site.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AS PRESENTED.

Penny Street /Morna McLeod

Carried

7. Treasurer's report

John Flipse the present Treasurer of the Board was introduced. He thanked the Finance Committee, the Board and Cynthia and a special thanks to Ray Gallagher for all his help this past year.

If you would like a complete copy of the financial statements please see Cynthia Low our Executive Director or Natalie Bailey our Manager of Administrative Services. He talked about the previous financial year of the Society and highlighted the statement of operations and the statement of financial position in the annual report. In the next year he believes the Board will have to show constraint on spending, and we will have to be on top of our budgets at all times.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE 2013 AUDITED STATEMENTS.

Ray Gallagher/Dorothy Barkley

Carried

MOTION: TO APPOINT KPMG AS THE AUDITORS FOR 2014.

John Flipse/Margaret Vis

Carried

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MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Margaret Vis/Penny Street

Carried

9. Election Process

Eva Sharell, Vice President of the Board opened the nomination and election process. Each candidate was asked to come to the front. She then opened nominations from the floor.

Oles Andreinko

Mary Arakelyan

Brendan Boylan

Barbara Cameron

Scott Clark

Oliver Conway

Tom Durrie

James Evans

John Flipse

Gwen Giesbrecht

Ingrid Kolsteren

Craig Ollenberger

David Parent

MOTION: TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS.

Margaret Vis/Edward Stringer

Carried

EACH CANDIDATE WAS GIVEN TWO MINUTES TO PRESENT A SPEECH. The floor was opened for questions.

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ELECTION RESULTS were presented by the students.

ELECTED:

Oles Andreinko 2 years

Mary Arakelyan 2 years

Scott Clark 2 years

Oliver Conway 1 year

John Flipse 2 years

Gwen Giesbrecht 2 years

Ingrid Kolsteren 2 years

Craig Ollenberger 2 years

David Parent 1 year

Alex McKechnie 2 year (staff representative position)

Eva Sharell asked for a motion to destroy the ballots

MOTION: TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS.

Ray Gallagher/Penny Street

Carried

The new Board was asked to attend a short meeting in the Information Centre. Eva Sharell thanked everyone for standing for election and attending the Annual General meeting.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT 7:49 pm

Ray Gallagher/Margaret Vis

Carried