



MINUTES
Annual General Meeting
September 24, 2015
Niagara Falls, Ontario

Chairperson: Sheila Durnford
Secretary: Connie Mulholland

Attendees: Tamara Smith, Russell Pohl, Kevin Harris, Lori-lee Harris, Deb Davies, Wayne MacFarlane, Nancy MacFarlane, Donna Blue, Gena Morrow, Rebecca Casell, Tammy Roberts, Bonnie Kakfwi, Darlene Koe, Isabelle Coron-Hibert, Dawn Pottinger, Lea O'Kefe, Fronie Blake, Diane Milloy, Shirley Fowler, Nicole Shuglo, Elaine Pratt, John McMahon, Patricia Norman, Gary Landry, Ethel Wentzell, Cathy Wiebe, Shawna Normand, Linda Krauskopf, Huguette Eblehart, Raymond Englehard, Judy Smith, Sharon Joyal, Connie Mulholland, Sylvia Thompson,
Call to Order 9:04

Provinces/Territories in Attendance

British Columbia	3
Alberta	2
Saskatchewan	3
Manitoba	4
Ontario	1
Quebec	0
Northwest Territories	7
Yukon	0
Nunavut	0
Nova Scotia	4
Newfoundland & Labrador	3
Prince Edward Island	3
New Brunswick	3

Total 33

Voting Delegates signed in and voting paddles distributed

British Columbia	2 plus 1 proxy
Alberta	1 plus 2 proxy
Saskatchewan	2 plus 1 proxy
Manitoba	1 plus 2 proxy
Ontario	3
Northwest Territories	3
Nova Scotia	2 plus 1 proxy
Newfoundland & Labrador	3
Nunavut	0
Prince Edward Island	2 plus 1 proxy
New Brunswick	3



Yukon	0
Executive	6
TOTAL	36

MOTION: I move to approve the agenda as presented – Kevin
Seconded - Linda
Carried

MOTION: I move to accept the minutes from the AGM dated June 12, 2014 - Fronie
Seconded -Gena
Carried

MOTION: Motion re confirmation of acts/actions of the Board – Gena
Seconded –Judy
Carried

Presidents Report – Sheila Durnford

Verbal update of the year

Report in package, Additional comments made regarding work Board has done during the year such as Safeguarding, Entitlements, New logo presented to the membership. We update our 5 year strategy plan. We are going to put all Director's bios on website. We are going to start by-monthly conference calls. Spring board meeting will be again at Sundrie. Board met after World Café and we are looking at making some changes. Sheila made announcement that she will not run next year.

1st Vice Presidents Report – Mary Smith

Verbal update of the year.

Report in Package.

Art Contest winners are.

NB, NWT and PEI participated.

2-5 years –no entries

6-9 years –

1st Magie Kiley – NB

2nd Sharon Causa – NWT

10-13 years

1st Taysean Krivda – NWT

2nd Katie Kiley – NB

14-18 1st Brianna Shae – NWT

2nd Jade Ward – PEI



2nd Vice Presidents Report – Sylvia Thompson
Policy and Procedure changes brought forward
Report in Package.

We are going to put our By-laws on our website, we are going to change our terms to 2 consecutive 3 year terms.

Changes to Policy read out.

The changes are: The secretary will maintain an active record of all Board of Directors information. Couples and/or immediate family shall not sit on the Executive at the same time.

3rd Vice Presidents Report – Sharon Joyal
Verbal update of the year
Report in Package.

Down 12 memberships from last year

Rules for Elections explained.

Treasurers Report – Nancy MacFarlane

Report in Package

Verbal update given

Discussion and questions answered.

Suggestion to sub-categorize the memberships

MOTION: Recognizing the nature of the audited statement is a picture of a moving target. I move that the report as submitted be returned to the auditor for an updated reflection of the financial statements of March 31, 2015 – Nancy MacFarlane

Seconded. - John McMahon

Carried

MOTION:

Motion to accept BDO as Auditor for 2015/2016 - Nancy MacFarlane

Seconded – Pat Norman

Carried

Motion brought forward from the National Working Group - none

Motion brought forward from the Board of Directors Meeting - none



ELECTIONS:

Chair taken over by Sharon Joyal to preside over elections

Secretary

Two votes taken, first one tied and second one
Elected – TammyRoberts

Second Vice President

Elected - Sylvia

Third Vice President

Elected - Sharon

MOTION

To destroy all ballots: Sharon
Seconded: Fronie
Carried

MOTION

Motion to adjourn meeting Sheila
Seconded Connie
Carried

Meeting adjourned at 11:59