

Lake Windermere Ambassadors Society
Minutes of Annual General Meeting
March 25, 2015

The Annual General Meeting of the Lake Windermere Ambassadors Society, a society registered under the B.C. Society Act ("The Society") was called to order by President MacRitchie at 11:17 a.m. on March 25, 2015, at the Lake Office, 625-4th Street -Service Building South Annex in Invermere.

As she did not wish to chair the Meeting and the Vice- President was not in attendance, President MacRitchie requested that Board Member Ron Clarke be elected to act as Chair to conduct this Annual General Meeting. Upon motion duly made (Terry MacRitchie), seconded (John Rouse) and unanimously adopted, Ron Clarke was elected as Chair of the Meeting. The Chair appointed The Society's Program Coordinator, Megan Peloso, to act as Recording Secretary and to record the proceedings of the Meeting. The Chair then read the Notice of the Annual General Meeting which he advised he had e-mailed to all paid- up Members (and other interested parties as invited guests) within the 14 day notice period prescribed by the Society Act, namely, March 10, 2015. He declared a quorum of more than three members to be present and the meeting duly constituted for business.

The Chair welcomed the new representative of and advisor for the District of Invermere, Al Miller, and Baiba Morrow, the Chair of Wildsight Invermere, to the Meeting

President MacRitchie gave an oral report of the most significant activities of the Board of Directors over the past year and then, in compliance with the Society Act, agreed to produce a written Report subsequent to the Meeting which the Chair instructed the Recording Secretary to append to the Minutes of this Meeting when received.

The Chair tabled and then briefly reviewed the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of January 22, 2014. Tracy Flynn moved that a full reading of the Minutes be waived and that the said Minutes be accepted and adopted as tabled. John Rouse seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Treasurer John Rouse reviewed and highlighted portions of the Financial Statements for The Society's fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, which had been distributed to the Members with the Notice of this Meeting. John moved that the said Financial Statements be adopted as distributed. Terry MacRitchie seconded the motion. There being no questions raised and none opposed, the motion was carried. The Chair directed that a copy of the Financial Statements signed by two (2) Directors be filed on the Minute Book of The Society.

After the Chair advised the Meeting that all current Officers and Directors were deemed to have retired from office, election of Officers for the current fiscal year proceeded as follows: John Rouse nominated Terry MacRitchie for the office of President. After three calls for further nominations and there being none put forward, the Chair declared Terry MacRitchie to be duly elected as President by acclamation. Terry MacRitchie nominated Ron Clarke to serve as Vice President. The Chair again called three times for further nominations. There being none, Ron Clarke was duly declared to be elected as Vice President by acclamation. John Rouse nominated Taoya Schaeffer for the office of Secretary. After three calls for further nominations and there being none put forward, the Chair declared Taoya Schaefer to be duly elected as Secretary by acclamation. The Chair then called for nominations for the office of Treasurer and expressed his surprise and gratitude when John Rouse stated he was willing to once more carry on in that office until his replacement could be found. Terry MacRitchie nominated John Rouse to serve as Treasurer. The Chair once more called three times for further nominations and there being none advanced declared John Rouse to be duly elected as Treasurer by acclamation.

Terry MacRitchie moved that the Board of Directors be comprised of up to Fifteen (15) Members for the ensuing year. John Rouse seconded the motion. Discussion followed with respect to the total number of Board Members that would best meet the current needs of The Society, considering the availability of Members willing to serve. There being no further discussion, the vote for a Board of up to Fifteen (15) Members passed unanimously.

As the Four (4) elected Officers make up a portion of the Board of Directors, Eleven (11) openings remain to be filled. The Chair called for nominations of Directors willing to fill the Eleven (11) open positions. He advised the Meeting that Allan Nicholas, Danny Osborne, Norma Hansen and Gurmeet Brar, all of whom were unable to attend this Meeting, had advised him that they were willing to stand for election to the Board of Directors. In addition, Heather Leschied, present by skype, and Tracy Flynn, present at the Meeting, also agreed to let their names stand for election. The Chair duly nominated the said Six (6) individuals and, after calling for further nominations three times, subsequently declared all duly elected by acclamation, with the remaining Five (5) vacant positions to be filled at a later point in time if there are Members willing and available to serve.

It was duly moved, seconded and unanimously agreed that any One (1) of the Treasurer, the Secretary and Director Hansen be and the same are hereby authorized to sign all cheques and other instruments required to be signed by The Society's Bankers and the Treasurer agreed to make any arrangements necessary to complete and execute the documents required by the Bank to give effect to this resolution.

The appointment of Board Members to serve on The Society's Communications Committee, Finance Committee and Membership Committee was delegated to the Board of Directors .

Terry MacRitchie moved that The Society cease to charge an annual membership fee from and after the date of this Meeting to the end of its fiscal year ending September 30, 2015. The motion was seconded by John Rouse. After some debate, the motion was passed unanimously.

The Chair advised the Meeting that a series of Bylaw amendments had been adopted at the last Annual General Meeting but, as they had never been submitted to the Registrar of Companies for registration, they were of no legal effect. As the Board had encountered some problems in gaining acceptance of the said pending amendments and questions had been raised about the validity and viability of certain of those amendments, it has been proposed that the Special Resolution be considered to have been revoked and that, in replacement thereof, the Board of Directors be and they are hereby instructed seek to obtain a replacement Special Resolution, in writing, adopting the Bylaw amendments set out in the Addendum attached to the Notice given for this Meeting. No objection was raised by any Member to proceeding in this manner.

After the Chair advised that there was no further business to be brought before the Meeting, Taoya Schaefer moved and John Rouse seconded that this Annual General Meeting be adjourned. There being none opposed, the motion was carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 A.M.



Chair, Ron Clarke



Recording Secretary, Megan Peloso