Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Sunday Apr 16, 2023, 9:00 a.m. (PT)
Location: Vancouver, BC - Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre
In attendance: Paula Tran, Laurie Few, Paul Schneidereit, Allan Thompson, Jason Markusoff, Zane Schwartz, Brent Jolly, Hugo Rodrigues, Karyn Pugliese, Julie Sobowale, Patti Sonntag, Cecil Rosner, Monique Durette (ex officio)

1. Call to order: 9:10.
2. No additions to the agenda.
3. **Approval of agenda. Moved by P. Tran, seconded by L. Few. Carried. Agenda approved.**
4. Approval of 2022 AGM minutes. **Moved by P. Schneidereit, seconded by J. Markusoff. Carried. Minutes approved.**
5. Chair's report (verbal) - Z. Schwartz
    a. Full board of directors
    b. In the process of looking of an Ottawa representative; next Ottawa AGM is being organized
    c. Anja Karadeglija will be stepping down
    d. Approval of report: Moved by P. Tran, seconded by L. Few. Carried
6. President's report
    a. Our financial picture for the conference was positive. Hoping to establish a chapter in Vancouver, given the success of the conference and the increase in membership.
    b. A Vancouver chapter could necessitate a possible review of bylaws in relation to chapter/regional directors
    c. A post-conference survey to be sent to conference attendees
    d. Some sessions were recorded and will be available to members post-conference (members-only section)
    e. Member presented suggestions and other conference ideas that allowed for sharing of the conference content by a team of students
    f. Ways were brought forward in how to help students be further integrated into the conference
    g. Plan made to contact speakers to ask for permission to share the information presented, and provide to members through member-only section

   h. Academic track as an avenue to additional funding/grants for the conference
   i. **Approval of verbal report: Moved by K. Pugliese, seconded by L. Few. Carried.**
7. Treasurer's report
   a. Financial review: 2022 financial information similar to what was presented at the most recent board meeting. Approx $1,500 surplus. 2023 budget presented for review.
   b. **Approval of report: Moved by C. Rosner, seconded by J. Markusoff. Carried**
   c. **Motion to appoint new accounting firm for 2022-2023:** Move to appoint Kriens-LaRose as the new accounting firm for the past fiscal year. **Moved by P. Schneidereit, seconded by B. Jolly. Carried.**
   d. **Motion to appoint accounting firm for 2023-2024:** Move to appoint Kriens-LaRose as the accounting firm for the next fiscal year. **Moved by P. Schneidereit, seconded by K. Pugliese. Carried.**
   e. 2022 financial statements are not ready for review by members for this AGM. A special meeting to be held in the near future for the financial statements to be presented.
8. CRO reports
   a. Report presented for August 2022 by-election. Julie Sobowale and Patti Sonntag elected as new Saskatchewan and Quebec Regional Directors. **Ratification of election results: Moved by B. Jolly, seconded by P. Tran. Carried.**
   b. Report presented for April 2023 annual election. Cecil Rosner and Fatima Syed acclaimed as national directors. Jason Markusoff acclaimed as Alberta Regional Director. **Ratification of election results: Moved by B. Jolly, seconded by P. Tran. Carried.**
9. Other business. None arising.
10. **Motion to adjourn: Moved by P. Tran, seconded by L. Few. Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:44