



Minutes of the 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

June 25, 2019

Held: Semiahmoo House Society Head Office
15306 – 24 Avenue, Surrey, BC V4A 2J1

Chair: Bea Hadikin

Welcome and Call to Order

The Chair, Bea Hadikin called the meeting to order at 18:15 hours.

Introduction of Special Guests

The Chair welcomed Semiahmoo House Society members and guests including lifetime member Paddi Robinson.

As well as the Board of Directors present; Rich Gorman who was the former chair of the board, Catherine Ferguson, Teresita Aristizabal, Madison VanOene, Ian Jarvis, Nicole Russell and Dave Ure.

Appointment of Parliamentarian

Paddi Robison, former board member, has graciously agreed to be the parliamentarian for tonight's meeting.

Approval of Agenda

The Chair asked if there were any additions or changes needed to the agenda.

MOTION: That the agenda of the Annual General Meeting of June 25, 2019, be accepted as presented.

MOVED: Ian Jarvis

SECONDED: Rich Gorman

CARRIED

The Chair asked if anyone had a conflict with any agenda items. No conflicts were declared.

Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting were circulated to members prior to the meeting. The Chair asked if there were any errors or omissions. No errors or omissions were declared.

MOTION: That the minutes of the June 26, 2018, Annual General meeting be accepted as circulated.

MOVED: Nicole Russell

SECONDED: Dave Ure

CARRIED

Board Chair's Report

Bea Hadikin welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting, and said that Semiahmoo House Society (SHS) is a progressive and forward thinking company, and that it is in good hands. She went on to say that the people we support and their families are always at the center of everything that SHS does. We focus on our goals, as our ends. We have strong board members who are dedicated and professional, which contribute to the running of this and that she would like to acknowledge them for their contributions. Bea thanked Doug Tennant and senior staff, as well as the donors for their contributions. Bea said that she is very proud to be a part of this organization.

MOTION: That the Chair's Report be accepted as presented.

MOVED: Catherine Ferguson

SECONDED: Ian Jarvis

CARRIED

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Doug Tennant welcomed everyone noting our Ends (mission) is:

People with disabilities live self-directed lives in the community at a justifiable cost:

- People are valued members of society;
- People decide how they live their lives, and make informed decisions;
- The rights of people are protected.

Doug stated that the Ends are the mission of the society, and they are our marching orders. We try to make sure that we are always working on how to make people be welcome in their community.

The Board of Directors has to think at a high level as what the future should look like for people with disabilities, and then they say to Semiahmoo House Society "Make this happen!"

UNITI is the overarching banner which Semiahmoo House Society and her two partners The Semiahmoo Foundation and Peninsula Estates Housing Society are a part of. The Semiahmoo Foundation does things like fund raising in order to make things happen. TSF and PEHS membership are the board of directors of SHS. The board acts on behalf of the membership of SHS.

Quality Assurance is at the forefront of what we do. Through our Sharevision platform we can track issues that are brought up, the route that the issue takes as it goes through the organization. We are working on making sure that the circle is completed.

The Self-Advocates of Semiahmoo (SAS) has had extensive conversations with the people that we provide support to. SAS then creates a report; Doug views it and then passes the report onto the Board. SAS is being looked at as leaders in Canada. Semiahmoo House Society has been elected to co-sponsor Inclusion BC 2020, and SAS is going to run it.

We also have external bodies checking on us to see that we are doing what we are supposed to be doing, such as Community Living British Columbia, the Council on Accreditation and Fraser Health.

The Board is responsible for doing ownership consultation. At our last Food for Thought dinner people from the hospitality industry were invited, and we asked them what skills a person should have to work in the hospitality industry. At the last Board meeting people from the post-secondary world came to speak with us about how they see people with disabilities going to post-secondary education.

Doug offered kudos to the following:

- Our Board of Directors, Managers, front line staff and inclusive employers, we are really lucky to have the community that we have. We are starting to understand that it takes all of us to build a better community.
- The Leadership Team of Semiahmoo House Society who work really hard. I need to be able to convince them to turn off their technical devices when they are away on holiday.
- The Executive Administration Manager, who supports the Board of Directors and the Administration in a variety of different

Note: A power point presentation assisted in summarizing the work done during the last fiscal year

MOTION: That the Executive Director's Report be accepted as presented

MOVED: Catherine Ferguson

SECONDED: Teresita Aristizabal

CARRIED

Reception of Organizational Reports

Reports prepared by senior staff were circulated to the membership prior to the Annual General Meeting. Doug asked if there were any questions regarding the organizational reports. Hearing none, it was

MOTION: That the 2018 Organizational Reports as written and circulated, be accepted as presented.

MOVED: Sue Wiczorek

SECONDED: Ian Jarvis

CARRIED

Auditor's Report

Doug Tennant presented the financial summaries to the membership; which are the same ones that were presented to the Board of Directors last week. Doug told the membership that the auditor, Travis Bryson said that this was a clean audit, and that assets have improved from the previous year. The audit from last year showed a slight deficit of \$15,000 thousand. This year even with the hiring of extra staff to lead the structuring there is a surplus of \$9,000 thousand, which is very impressive. Doug asked if there were any questions, seeing none.

MOTION: That the Financial Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2018 be accepted as presented.

MOVED: Ian Jarvis

SECONDED: Catherine Ferguson

CARRIED

Appointment of Auditors for 2019/2020

MOTION: That the firm of MNP LLP, Chartered Accountants, be appointed as Semiahmoo House Society's Auditors and Accountants for the 2019 - 2020 fiscal year.

MOVED: Ian Jarvis

SECONDED: Catherine Ferguson

CARRIED

Setting of Membership Fees for 2019-2020

The Chair advised that, in accordance with the Bylaws of the Society, the membership fees must be reviewed and set at each Annual General Meeting. Membership fees are currently \$15.00 per year for an individual with one vote, \$25.00 per year for family with one vote, and \$50.00 per year for corporate memberships with one vote.

MOTION: That the membership fees for the 2019/2020 fiscal year remain at \$15.00 per year for an individual membership, \$25.00 per year for family memberships, and \$50.00 per year for corporate memberships with each membership having one vote.

MOVED: Rich Gorman

SECONDED: Nicole Russell

CARRIED

Nominations Committee Report and Election of Board Members

Board members Bea Hadikin, Linda Annis, and Catherine Ferguson plus Executive Director Doug Tennant were the members of the Nominations Committee for 2018/2019.

This year the Nominations Committee nominates Bea Hadikin, Colleen McGoff Dean and Marie Sabine to stand for election for three-year terms that will end in 2021. There were no other Board member nominations so Bea Hadikin, Colleen McGoff Dean and Marie Sabine were acclaimed to their positions.

Linda Annis, will be appointed to the board once again during the summer meeting.

Approval of Board Actions for 2018-2019

The Chair asked for a motion to approve all actions of the Board of Directors taken since last year's Annual General Meeting.

MOTION: That the actions of the Board of Directors since the previous Annual General Meeting held June 26, 2018 are accepted.

MOVED: Ian Jarvis

SECONDED: Catherine Ferguson

CARRIED

New Business

Since no new business was brought forward when the agenda was approved we will be moving to the adjournment of the meeting.

Adjournment

The Chair, Bea Hadikin asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 18:50 hours.

MOVED: Nicole Russell

SECONDED: Dave Ure

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Bea Hadikin, Board Chair

Diane Nimmo, Recording Secretary