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Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society - British Columbia Annual General Meeting September 27, 2023 5:30pm

Location: ZOOM online meeting

Chair: Catarina Moreno, Board President

Minute Taker: David Barbosa, Board Secretary

Minutes

1. Call the Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Meeting Chair.

2. Welcome, and Land Acknowledgement (Executive Director)

Meaghan McCord (Executive Director) gave welcome remarks, and land acknowledgment.

3. Establishment of Quorum (Chair)

Voting members present at AGM: 14

Ballot: 0 Guests: 4

Total number of members in good standing: 97

A quorum of members was present throughout the meeting.

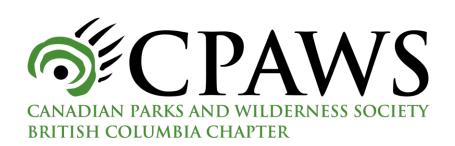
4. Approval of the Agenda (Chair)

No requests for additions. Chair asked for approval of the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda as circulated.

Moved: Kathy Seconded: Pradnya

Carried



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5. Approval of the Minutes of the 2022 AGM (Chair)

Chair asked for approval of the minutes from the previous 2022 AGM.

Motion to approve the minutes from the previous AGM, November 17, 2022, as circulated.

Moved: Jeff Seconded: Jacob

Carried

6. Consideration of the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Audited Financial Statements (Treasurer)

Kayan Yu (Treasurer) presented the audited financial statements.

Audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2023 officially received. No motion needed.

7. Appointment of the Auditor for the 2023-2024 audit (Treasurer)

Kayan Yu (Treasurer) noted that after several years with Smythe LLP serving as CPAWS-BC's auditors, in line with best practices, the Board proposed a change to CPAWS-BC's auditors. The finance committee completed an RFP and review, and the full Board recommended appointing Manning Elliott as its new auditors.

Motion to appoint Manning Elliott as CPAWS-BC's auditors for the 2024 fiscal year.

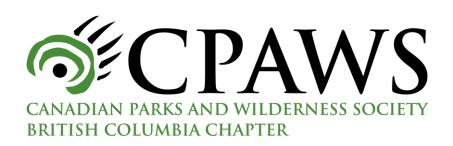
Moved: Jeff Seconded: Kathy Carried

8. Executive Director and President's Report (Chair)

Chair reported on the work of the previous year on behalf of the Directors.

No motion needed

9. Election of Directors (Chair)



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The Chair noted 2 Directors had terms ending at the 2023 AGM, and were eligible for reelection for another term of two years:

- 1. Shehin Rahemtulla
- 2. Pradnya Sawant

Motion to elect Shehin Rahemtulla and Pradnya Sawant as Directors of the Society for another term of two years.

Moved: David Seconded: Gloria

Carried

10. Confirmation of Directors, and departing Directors (Chair)

Chair presented the returning and re-elected directors, and departing/retiring directors.

No motion needed.

Directors

- 1. Carla Giles
- 2. Catarina Moreno
- 3. David Barbosa
- 4. Kathy Scalzo
- 5. Kayan Yu
- 6. Madhu Bachwani
- 7. Pradnya Sawant
- 8. Shehin Rahemtulla

Departing Directors:

- 1. Cecilia Pang
- 2. Jeff Rambharack
- 3. Muhammed Alolade Oyinlola

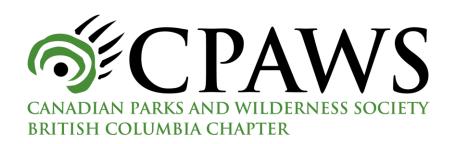
The Chair acknowledged and thanked Cecilia, Jeff, and Muhammed for their years of service to CPAWS-BC and the Board.

11. New Business (Chair)

No new business was added to the agenda.

12. Motion to Adjourn (Chair)

Given that there was no new business, the Chair asked for a motion to close the meeting.



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Motion to adjourn the Annual General Meeting.

Moved: Jeff Seconded: Jacob

Carried

Adjourned – The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:56 pm.