

2014 AGM of the Indigenous Circle Chapter of the CCPA
May 7, 2014 Victoria, BC

Call to Order- Bill Thomas at 12:15 p.m.
Opening Prayer- Tooic Casavant

Members and Guests Present:

Natasha Caverley, Andrea Currie, Tasha Cook, Jennifer Coverdale, LeeAnna Deringer, Jonas Breuhan, Leah Lychowyd, Sonnie Marsh, Tooic Casavant, Kiilea SaundersMason, Samara Wesley-Price, Judy Weiser, Renee Reid, Naseeb Marcil, Alfred Brady, Margie Cain, Minnie Matoush, Sylvie Cottell, Jackie LeBlanc, Gay Puketgu-Andrews, Robyn McGill, Ron Lehr, Blythe Shepard, Nicole Richard, Phil Jarvis, Dean Pilkey, Bill Thomas, Kary-L Littlechild, Mary Lukes.

Regrets- Fisher Lavall, John Manning.

Agenda Item 1.

- a. Brief chapter history overview from the 2004 Aboriginal Circle Chapter's beginnings to today's Indigenous Circle Chapter of CCPA, including the teleconference option for members attending today's AGM, and Welcoming - by Bill Thomas.
- b. Aboriginal Circle Chapter AGM (2013) in Halifax NS minutes recognized. Tooic Casavant moved to adopt the 2013 AGM minutes. Naseeb Marcil- seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 2.

- a. Indigenous Circle Chapter of CCPA AGM 2014 agenda approval. Natasha Caverley moved to adopt the 2014 AGM Chapter Agenda. Alfred Brady seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 3.

- a. Presidential address.
- b. Current chapter membership at 134 members.
- c. Chapter Constitution and ByLaws approved by the CCPA Board in October 2013, and to be ratified by chapter members during today's AGM.
- d. Chapter name change that reflects the inclusive nature of the chapter membership was approved by the CCPA Board in 2013.
- e. New projects developed: web site, student scholarships, online seminars.
- f. Proposed projects for development: chapter brochure, chapter logo, the inclusion of traditional healers in cultural support and awareness training.

Agenda Item 4.

Chapter Constitution Ratification.

Chapter Mission and Objectives described.

Executive Roles, Duties, and two year terms outlined.

Ron Lehr moved to adopt. Natasha Caverley seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 5.

Treasurer's Report by Mary Lukes.

- a. The amount of \$6421.92 was deposited on March 3, 2014 into the new CCPA Indigenous Circle Chapter account, and will be carried over to the new chapter Executive elected at the May 7, 2014 AGM.
- b. The current bank account is the result of the February 2014 closure of the bank account under the name of the Aboriginal Circle chapter of CCPA, opened by Bill Thomas, Fisher Lavall, and Mary Lukes in October 2013. The Aboriginal Circle Chapter bank account was closed with the original opening amount of \$5924.34 and the second CCPA cheque amount of \$497.58 withdrawn, and made payable to the Indigenous Circle Chapter.
- c. Naseeb Marcil moved to adopt the Treasurer's report. Minnie Matoush seconded. Motion carried.
- d. A question from the circle was voiced regarding the financial inequity that many First Nations and Indigenous members face that prohibits these members' ability to travel to attend AGM's across Canada. Would the chapter funds enable Executive, student members, or natural healers to travel to the AGM's in order to fully participate in the circle and CCPA functions of teaching and presenting at national conferences?

Agenda Item 6.

Website development by Naseeb Marcil.

- a. The website was displayed online with the links for information about:
 - a. Circle chapter membership,
 - b. scholarship application forms,
 - c. Executive members' information, including the President's contact information,
 - d. Circle chapter mission statement and Constitution,
 - e. First Nations maps across Canada,
 - f. University studies programs for counseling,
 - g. Historical log of AGM President reports,
 - h. Chapter news, such as AGM and trainings, and

- i. Donations call for education and travel bursaries for chapter student members seeking to attend CCPA conferences.

Alfred Brady moved to adopt the web site and continue its progressive development as outlined currently. Minnie Matoush seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 7.

Call for Nominations from the floor for voting on open positions.

- a. President first call- no response. 2nd call- no response. 3rd call- Andrea Currie responded. Approved unanimously.
- b. Secretary- 1st call- no response. 2nd call- no response. 3rd call- John Manning confirmed by e:mail to Bill Thomas, and approved.
- c. Treasurer- First call- Jackie LaBlanc responded and approved unanimously.
- d. Members at Large- Kary-L Littelchild, and Jonas Breuhan responded and approved unanimously.

Meeting Adjournment, and congratulations to the new Executive given by Bill Thomas, outgoing President. Ron Lehr moved to adjourn the 2014 AGM. Bill Thomas seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by
Mary Lukes, Indigenous Circle Secretary/Treasurer