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NS Chapter Annual General Meeting

AGM Meeting Minutes for Saturday April 25th, 2020

Opening: Nick Zwaagstra, President, called this meeting to order via videoconference using Zoom at 1:37pm. Andreea Andrei from CCPA National facilitated. Nick greeted attendees and thanked everyone for coming. Andrew Potter-Cogan volunteered to keep track of the ongoing group chat for questions for the duration of the meeting. Nick then acknowledged the tragic events of the past weekend, attendees took a moment of acknowledgement, and Nick called the meeting to continue.

Quorum: was met.

Acceptance of the Agenda: acceptance of the agenda as presented was moved by Jean Blackler and seconded by Andrew Potter-Cogan. Motion passed.

Minutes of the April 2019 AGM: moved by Andrew Potter-Cogan and seconded by Belinda Josephson that the minutes of the April 2019 AGM should be approved. Motion passed.

Financial Report:

Opening Balance in February 2019: \$14,658.86

Total Revenue for 2019/2020: \$2941.30

Total Expenses for 2019/2020: \$4258.42

Closing Balance: \$13,341.74

Discussion surrounding the healthy numbers in the treasury, and suggestions made on PD days, workshops for the new Code of Ethics, member networking opportunities, and more bursaries to go to conferences. No motions made, but a good brainstorming session to carry forward to the next Executive meeting.

President's Report:

Nick wanted to touch base with the AGM members to thank them for a good two years, and in turn was thanked for his service. He looks forward to serving as Past President and remaining as involved as time and work/life balance will allow.

NS Director's Update:

George discussed the idea of Professional Development days, and bringing together the Executive/Board and the membership more often as we are fairly spread out geographically. Also mentioned was the Presidential Road Show from the National CCPA Organization – upcoming plans for the provinces to be visited by the National Team.

Members Elected and Motions Passed:

New Chapter Positions:

President – Patricia Wentzell

President-Elect – Gary Owen Porter

Coordinator for Professional Development – Kim MacDonald

Coordinator for Professional Identity and Advocacy – Andrew Potter-Cogan

Student Rep – Criss Hochhold

School Counsellor Liaison – Belinda Josephson

Members-at-Large – Derek Smith and Shane MacDow

Motions for each new member was seconded and passed.

Other New Business Brought to the AGM Table:

-Jean mentioned we will be seeing the new Code of Ethics announcements soon; much will be advertised via the website and emails to members.

-The Multicultural and Diversity piece of CCPA will be introducing an Indigenous focus for the chapter, this will be announced via newsletter update.

-Nova Scotia College of Counselling Therapists (NSCCT): a goal to strengthen communication between ourselves and their organization

Motion to Adjourn – Seconded and Passed: Belinda Josephson and Andrew Potter-Cogan

Meeting Adjourned: 2:26pm

Minutes written by Lita Llewellyn, NS Chapter Executive Secretary