

Annual General Meeting Minutes March 31st, 2022

Call to Order and Welcome by the Chair

Chair Vince Withers called the meeting to order at 11:00 am and welcomed all those present and all attending by Zoom. A total of 25 people participated in the meeting.

Approval of the Annual General Meeting Minutes 2020

Chair Vince asked if there were any errors or omissions to the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on March 26th, 2021 (Minutes included in the Community Report 2021). Hearing none he called for motion to adopt the Minutes as presented. It was moved by Stephanie Lee, seconded by Joedy Wall. The motion was carried.

Chairpersons Remarks & Presentation

Chair Vince spoke about 2021 as being a financially challenging year, yet the staff continued to find creative ways to support our eating disorder families. Vince then offered some information on eating disorder growth, the need for research and the importance of training and support for families throughout the recovery journey (a copy of the presentation is included with Minutes).

Executive Directors Report

Executive Director Paul Thomey spoke to his written report which is included in the 2021 Community Report. He drew attention to the Summary of Programs and Services which show a significant increase in all key indicators. He highlighted the fact that we received 199 new contacts in 2021. He went on to thank the staff, Board, and volunteers for their hard work in 2021. He emphasized how creative the staff had been in moving all of our programs to the virtual world. He said it was the highlight of the year for him.

Treasurers Report and Financial Statements for 2021

Treasurer Alyssa French presented her verbal report. She highlighted the importance of the Federal Rent and Wage Subsidies. Without them our deficit would be a lot higher. She pointed out that our Balance Sheet is strong. She thanked Coomb's & Associates for a very quick turnaround on the audit. The Chair called for a motion to approve the 2021 Financial Statements. It was moved by Alyssa French, seconded by Andrea Oliver. The motion was carried.

Appointment of Auditors for 2021

The Chair called for a motion to reappoint Coombs & Associates as our auditors for 2022. It was moved by Alyssa French, seconded by Stephanie Lee. The motion was carried.

Ratification of Board of Directors Actions for 2021.

The Chair called for a motion to ratify the actions of the Board of Directors during 2021. It was moved by Brian Kenny, seconded by Chris Withers. The motion was carried.

Renata Elizabeth Withers Memorial Scholarship

Chair Vince called on Board Vice Chair Dr. Pam Ward to announce the winners. After reading a short bio she called on Dolores and Chris Withers to virtually present a cheque to Leigh Dunn and to present in person to Rachel Howells. Both scholarship winners expressed their gratitude to the Foundation for their selection.

Reflections on 10 years – Patricia Nash

Vince called upon our retiring Counsellor Patricia Nash for a presentation reflecting on her 10 years with the Foundation. Patricia provided sometimes emotional, look back at the changes in her role over the years. She illustrated the good work of the Foundation with quotes from many families who have availed of her support over the years.

Adjournment

The Chair called for a motion to adjourn the 2021 Annual General Meeting. It was moved by Tina Martin, seconded by Brian Kenny. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Thomey
Recording Secretary

Vince Withers
Chairperson