

MINUTES

Group: Annual General Meeting via Zoom

Date: September 20, 2022

Chair: Dawn Robson

1. Acknowledgment: Dawn Robson, Board Chair

Dawn made the territory acknowledgement.

2. Welcome: Dawn Robson, Board Chair

Dawn welcomed and thanked everyone for coming. She spoke about the past year at VWTH and our plans for the coming year and thanked everyone for their hard dedicated work and contributions of the stakeholders.

3. Welcome, and opening remarks: Makenna Rielly, Executive Director

Makenna welcomed and thanked everyone for coming. She introduced the attending staff and thanked them for their continuous hard work with our agency. She thanked our donors and volunteers. She spoke about our new second stage building.

4. Guest Speakers – Olivia Todd, VWTH Housing Support Worker, and Jannah Cunningham, VWTH Homelessness Prevention Program Administrator

- Olivia and Jannah spoke about Homelessness Prevention Program and our Housing Support program. They spoke about the struggles our women have and the hopes for the future years of this program.

5. Business Items and Call to Order

Dawn Robson called the meeting to order at 2:33pm.

- **Review/approval of the Agenda – Dawn Robson, Board Chair**

Dawn Robson motioned that the 2021-22 AGM agenda be approved. Maurine Karagianis seconded this motion. Motion approved.

- **Review/approval of Minutes of 2021 AGM – Dawn Robson, Board Chair**

Dawn Robson motioned to accept the minutes for the 2021 Annual General Meeting – Roz Walls seconded this motion. Motion approved.

- **Review/approval of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Financial Statements – Liette Bates-Eamer, Treasurer**

Liette Bates-Eamer motioned that the 2021-2022 audited financial statements of Victoria Women's Transition House with the year ending March 31, 2022, be approved as presented. Kerrilee Jones seconded the motion. Motion approved.

- **Appointment of Auditor** – Liette Bates-Eamer, Treasurer

Liette Bates-Eamer motioned that the firm, Grant Thornton LLP be appointed as auditors for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023. Dawn Robson seconded the motion. Motion approved.

5. Board Election – Kerrilee Jones, Board of Directors

Kerrilee Jones presented the current slate of nominees.

- **Current Board members (terms to end September 2023):**
 - Dawn Robson
 - Lydia Jim – TUWOSELTENOT
 - Mackenzie Curran
 - Maurine Karagianis
 - Rosalie (Roz) Walls
 - Sandra Hudson
- **Current Board members seeking re-election for another term (new terms to end Sept. 2024):**
 - Kerilee Jones
 - Liette Bates-Eamer
 - Nikki Petersen
- **New Candidates seeking election (terms to end September 2024):**
 - Hollie McKeil
 - Kimiya Missaghi

Kerrilee Jones motioned that the slate of new and renewing board member nominees be accepted to the board as presented. Maurine Karagianis seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Maurine Karagianis gave recognition to the following outgoing board members for their years of service on the board.

- **Brenda Edwards – 2 years of service**
- **Lynne Jordon – 4 years of service**

Maurine Karagianis gave recognition to Dawn Robson who is stepping into the Past Chair position.

6. Closing Comments / Adjournment – Dawn Robson, Board Chair

Dawn Robson thanked the Community partners, staff, volunteers, and donors, current and retiring board members for their dedication over the years.

Dawn Robson motioned that the meeting be adjourned. 2:45pm. Kerrilee Jones seconded the motion.

Motion approved.

*Minutes prepared by Heidi Gayleard
September 20, 2022*