Lakehead Social Planning Council Annual General Meeting Minutes



Tuesday, June 14, 2022

LSPC Office, Thunder Bay, Ontario (via Zoom)

1. Welcome

Director of Services Marie Klassen welcomed members, directors and staff to the 59th Annual General Meeting of the Lakehead Social Planning Council - our third AGM held via Zoom due to the pandemic - with the hope that next year's AGM would once again be in-person - acknowledging that the City of Thunder Bay has been built on the traditional territory of Fort William First Nation, signatory to the Robinson-Superior Treaty of 1850, and recognized the contribution made to our community by the Métis people. Ms Klassen noted that the LSPC's *Annual Impact Report 2021* is accessible to all on the organization's website: www.lspc.ca. She then introduced President Paulette Howe to Chair the meeting.

2. Call to Order

President Paulette Howe also welcomed community members, directors and staff to the virtual AGM. Ms. Howe noted that all members in good standing received an AGM package, either by mail or by electronic means prior to the meeting, as required. Members were asked to sign in through the Chat feature, and Ms Howe gave instructions as to how those members who, being in good standing, were to vote on presented motions using their keyboards in the on-screen polls. Members in the office or on the telephone were provided alternate voting methods. Ms Howe also noted that the meeting was being recorded, and that quorum had indeed been met (and would be monitored throughout the meeting to ensure quorum was maintained).

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Mark Walther, seconded by Sharon Corston, that the agenda of June 8, 2021 be accepted as circulated. Carried.

4. Approval of Minutes - AGM held June 8, 2021

Moved by Julie Fels, seconded by Bonnie Krysowaty, that the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting, dated June 8, 2021 be accepted as circulated. Carried.

5. Auditor's Report - MNP LLP Chartered Accountants

President Paulette Howe introduced Shelley Gaudreau of MNP LLP Chartered Accountants who proceeded to give the Auditor's Report for the 2021 Financial Statements and provide clarifications. There were no questions posed to Ms Gaudreau.

6. Approval of the Audited Financial Statements

Moved by Roberta Simpson, seconded by Jillian Gribben, that the Financial Report ending December 31, 2021 be accepted as presented pending approval at the next Board meeting, provided there are no changes made. Carried.

7. Appointment of the Auditors for 2022

Moved by Roberta Simpson, seconded by Dianna Atkinson, that MNP LLP Chartered Accountants be appointed auditors for the 2022 fiscal year. Carried.

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8. Report of the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee was comprised of Sandra Snider (Board Member and Chair), Paulette Howe (President) and Marie Klassen (Director of Services). President Paulette Howe noted that LSPC's bylaws allow us to have up to 12 board members; currently we have 6 board members returning, 3 of whom require no motion. Thank you to Dianna Atkinson and Cheryl Reid who have resigned from their positions on the board. Ms. Howe is ending her 3rd Term and will move to the Past President position. 3 individuals, namely Jillian Gribben, Lisa Schmidt and Prakash Shrestha are standing for re-election.

Ms Howe provided the Report on behalf of the Nominating Committee, including the slate of nominees for voting by the membership:

	Directors Continuing to serve in 2022 - 2023	Beginning Date (1stTerm)	Present Term Status	Last eligible year of consecutive 3 Terms
1	Sandra Snider	5/16/2017	Eligible for second year of 3 rd Term	2022-2023
2	Jillian Gribben	6/5/2018	Standing for first year of 3rd Term	2023-2024
3	Aaron Lagadin	6/11/2019	Eligible for second year of 2 nd Term	2024-2025
4	Roberta Simpson	6/11/2019	Eligible for second year of 2nd Term	2024-2025
5	Prakash Shrestha	9/22/2020	Standing for 1st year of 2nd Term	2025-2026
6	Lisa Schmidt	9/22/2020	Standing for first year of 2nd Term	2025-2026
7	Vacant			
8	Vacant			
9	Vacant			
10	Vacant			
11	Vacant			
12	Vacant			

9. Approval of Nominating Report

Moved by Sandra Snider, seconded by Bonnie Krysowaty, that the Nominating Report be accepted as circulated. Carried.

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10. Approval of All Reports printed in the Annual Report 2021

Moved by Mark Walther, seconded by Sharon Corston, that the reports printed in the Annual Report for 2021 be accepted. Carried.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Sharon Corston, seconded by Lorraine Ryder, that the Annual General Meeting be adjourned. Carried.

The 59th Annual General Meeting of the Lakehead Social Planning Council was adjourned at 12:40 pm.

Non Business

"Let's Talk Basic Income" - Sheila Regehr

Sheila Regehr, founding member of the Basic Income Canada Network (https://basicincomecanada.org/) and former Executive Director of the National Council of Welfare, discussed why a basic income in Canada would be so important – and possible – to enable everyone, unconditionally, to meet their basic needs, participate in society and live with dignity, regardless of work status.