



29th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for 2021-22
7 P.M., WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2022
LES PASSMORE CENTRE
APPROVED MINUTES

ROUTINE BUSINESS:

1) Confirmation of attendance and quorum

The meeting was called to order by VBDS President and Chair, Michael Kittel at 7:03 p.m.

The number of members in attendance: 29 members (including 4 board members); 4 proxies

Quorum confirmed.

2) Adoption of the agenda

The Chair introduced the motion for adoption of the agenda.

MOTION: That the agenda be adopted as written

MOVED BY: Michael Kittel

CARRIED

3) Approval of the minutes of the 2019-2020 annual general meeting held on Oct. 20, 2021

The Chair noted that there are two sets of minutes being approved at this AGM as two AGMs were held last year.

MOTION: that the minutes for the 2019-2020 AGM held on October 20, 2021 be approved as written.

MOVED BY: Michael Kittel

CARRIED

4) Approval of the minutes of the 2020-2021 annual general meeting held on Oct. 20, 2021

MOTION: that the minutes for the 2020-2021 AGM held on October 20, 2021 be approved as written.

MOVED BY: Michael Kittel

CARRIED

5) Business arising from the minutes

a) Re: 2021-22 AGM – Development, Hodgson and Pacifica Funds

The Chair indicated that Lynne Jordon, Chair of the Governance Committee is ill and cannot be present. Richard Pigeon, Treasurer will report on the special funds.

Richard reported that the Governance Committee and the Finance Committee discussed the special funds prior to making a recommendation to the board. The Board approved the recommendation to retain the Development fund which requires members to determine the use of these funds by resolution at an annual or extraordinary meeting. The Board also approved retaining the Hodgson fund for special purposes related to promotion of ballroom dancing as per the bequest by Wayne Hodgson. The Board approved the collapsing of the Pacifica fund into the General fund.

6) Reports:

a) Report of the President

The President presented his report summarizing the work of the President over the past year.

Michael received a standing ovation from members and thanks for his time and effort as President to rebuild the club coming out of the pandemic.

b) Report of the Treasurer: presentation of the financial statements for fiscal year 2021-22

The Treasurer presented the financial statements for the fiscal year 2021-22. Financial statements are approved by the board and presented to the membership at the AGM for member information. Questions and comments were requested.

NEW BUSINESS:

7) Resolutions:

a) Ordinary resolution #1: Setting VBDS membership dues for 2022-23 (Submitted by the Board)

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED that VBDS annual dues for regular membership be \$72 per annum, and that the rate for eligible students and members with disabilities be \$40 per annum for the 2022-23 membership year. Regular members joining after January 1, be prorated to \$52, student/members with disabilities prorated to \$30. Regular members joining after April 1, be prorated to \$32, student/members with disabilities \$30.

MOVED BY: Michael Kittel (on behalf of the Board)

CARRIED

b) Ordinary resolution #2: Appointing an auditor (Submitted by the Board)

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Victoria Ballroom Dance Society not appoint an auditor for the 2021/22 fiscal year.

MOVED BY: Michael Kittel (on behalf of the Board)

CARRIED

c) **Special resolution #1:** Amend VBDS bylaw section 30 c) (Submitted by the Board)

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED that the VBDS bylaws Section 30 (c), be replaced with: *A separate election shall be held at each annual general meeting to select the president from amongst those directors who express their wish to hold this office. The term of the president shall be for one year, from the end of the AGM in which they are elected to the end of the subsequent AGM.*

MOVED BY: Michael Kittel (on behalf of the Board)

CARRIED

d) **Special resolution #2:** Amend VBDS bylaw section 32 c) (Submitted by the Board)

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED that the VBDS bylaws Section 32 (c) be replaced with: *If the president resigns his or her office, or the position of president is otherwise vacant, the directors shall appoint another director to fill the office until the next general meeting.*

MOVED BY: Michael Kittel (on behalf of the Board)

CARRIED

8) Report from the nominating committee

The Chair asked Thomas Webber to present the report of the Nominating Committee on behalf of the committee members: Bob Adams, Lynne Jordon and himself.

Thomas indicated that the committee was able to recruit 3 new members for the board of directors and four directors are continuing their term until the AGM in 2023. Further nominations from the floor would be welcomed. There is no candidate from among the proposed or current directors that is willing to stand for president.

The Chair called for nominations from the floor, three times. Hearing none, the nominations were closed.

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following members in good standing be acclaimed as Directors of the Victoria Ballroom Dance Society for a two-year term beginning November 2022 and ending at the AGM in 2024.

Diane Duruisseau

Lawrence Gower

Brian Mason

MOVED BY: Thomas Webber (on behalf of the Nominating Committee)

CARRIED

9) Election of members of the board

No election was held as members were acclaimed.

10) Announcement of the elected board members

The following board members are acclaimed as directors for a two-year term, November 2022 - 2024: Diane Duruisseau, Lawrence Gower, Brian Mason.

The following board members are continuing their term to November 2023: Maria Heron, Lynne Jordon, Richard Pigeon and Jay Schmidt.

11) Election of the President

There are no candidates for president among the directors who wish to run for this office for a one-year term.

12) Announcement of the elected President

With no appointment or election of president, the following motion was put forward on behalf of the Nominating Committee.

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED that Richard Pigeon be interim chair to the end of the meeting, that Lynne Jordon be interim chair to call the board of directors' meetings, and that board of directors be empowered by the membership to work with the Nominating Committee to fill all vacant executive positions.

MOVED BY: Bob Adams

CARRIED

Richard assumed the role of interim chair to the end of the meeting.

13) Other business: General information and open discussion

The Chair indicated that the board would like to gather feedback from members and encouraged all present to spend 15 minutes to jot down ideas, likes and dislikes to help the board plan for the future.

Richard asked if there were any questions or clarifications.

14) Call to destroy ballots and adjournment of the 2021-2022 AGM

No ballots were used. The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 7:46 p.m.