

**Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting of
The Royal Life Saving Society Canada – Manitoba
Branch Inc.**

Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Zoom Video-Conference

Winnipeg, Manitoba

In Attendance:

Voting Members

Desiree Bremner
Gord Caswell
Shanyce Crighton
Sarah Dyck
Douglas Froemel
Rishona Hyman
Anne Love
Lloyd Plueschow
Kevin Tordiffe
Ashley Walus
Pete Whittington

Board Members

Elizabeth Proskurnik, Chair
Mikaela Garfinkel, Treasurer
Kristen Olson
Sarah Painter
Kayla Saarinen
Jon Sorokowski

Guests

Stacey Grocholski – Incoming Executive Director (effective September 2020)
Scott Hoepfner – Society Legal Counsel, Thompson Dorfman Sweatman LLP
Paul Dorey – Auditor, Talbot & Associates
Doreen Draffin – Manitoba Underwater Council
Nikki Kagan

Staff

Lorne Edwards
Christopher Love
Kathy Plett

1. Call to Order & Welcome

Elizabeth Proskurnik, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Elizabeth welcomed everyone to the meeting, recognized the fact we were meeting on Treaty 1 territory, and acknowledged the change of format from in-person meeting to virtual due to the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

She thanked the Association of Regulated Nurses of Manitoba for supporting the Society as the virtual host of the meeting this evening.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion #1

To approve the Agenda of the 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada – Manitoba Branch Inc., as presented.

Moved: Shanyce Crighton Seconded: Pete Whittington

Carried

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion #2

To approve the Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada – Manitoba Branch Inc. as presented.

Moved: Sarah Dyck Seconded: Lloyd Plueschow

Carried

4. Report of the Chair of the Board

Elizabeth Proskurnik, Chair of the Board, provided an overview of the Society's year to the membership and referred members to the Annual Report for full details.

She updated the membership that Tom Scott had resigned from his position to spend more time with family in Alberta and thanked him for his service.

She also reported that the Board of Directors had spent a great deal of time during the year conducting a governance review and updating the Society's By-Laws to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act.

5. Report of the Executive Director

Elizabeth Proskurnik, Chair of the Board, referred the membership to Tom Scott's written report in the Annual Report.

6. Treasurer's Financial Report

Mikaela Garfinkel, Treasurer, presented some explanatory Powerpoint slides about the Branch financials to the membership.

Paul Dorey of Talbot and Associates reported on the audit conducted by his firm of the Society's 2019 fiscal year.

7. Acceptance of the Audited 2019 Financial Statements

Motion #3

To accept the audited financial statements of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada – Manitoba Branch Inc. for 2019 as presented.

Moved: Pete Whittington Seconded: Gord Caswell

Carried

8. Appointment of Auditor for 2020

Motion #4

To appoint Talbot & Associates as Auditors for the Royal Life Saving Society Canada - Manitoba Branch Inc. for the year ending December 31, 2020.

Moved: Shanyce Crighton Seconded: Sarah Dyck

Carried

9. Approval of Constitution and By-Law Amendments

Jon Sorokowski spoke on behalf of the Governance Committee of the Board of Directors about the work undertaken as part of the governance review and the proposed updates to the Constitution and By-Law #1.

Motion #5

Subject to the Canada Revenue Agency Charities Directorate review, to repeal the existing Constitution and By-Law #1 of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada – Manitoba Branch Inc. and replace them with the proposed By-Law #1 and By-Law #2 as presented.

Moved: Sarah Dyck Seconded: Pete Whittington

10. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers

Jon Sorokowski spoke on behalf of the Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors and presented the following slate of directors for election at the meeting:

Sarah Painter – Chair (2 Year Term)
Kristen Olson – Director (2 Year Term)
Kayla Saarinen – Director (2 Year Term)
Ashley Walus - Director (2 Year Term)
Pete Whittington – Director (1 Year Term)

10.1. Election of Board of Directors

Motion #6

To approve the slate of candidates as presented by the Board of Directors of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada – Manitoba Branch Inc.

Moved: Sarah Dyck Seconded: Douglas Froemel

Carried

11. Meeting Adjournment

Motion #7

To adjourn the 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Royal Life Saving Society
Canada – Manitoba Branch Inc.

Moved: Lloyd Plueschow Seconded: Shanyce Crighton

Carried

Time of Adjournment: 7:37 PM