

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

1:00 – 3:00 PM EST

YWCA Canada
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Minutes

In Attendance:

Board Members: Myna Kota, Deborah Morrison, Raine Liliefeldt, Lisa McKeen, Kelly Stone, Lisa Lachance, Leslie Wright, Alisa Simon

NACY Members:

Lisa Wolff (UNICEF), Kimberly Thompson (Rainbows Canada), Erin Smith (4H Canada), Amy (Boys & Girls Club), Lauren (Vanier Institute)

Guests: Jacqui DeBique, Adnela Fejzulo

1. Welcome

The meeting commenced at 1:02 p.m. EST

2. Quorum

The Chair noted the members in attendance as being sufficient in satisfying quorum: Myna Kota, Deborah Morrison, Raine Liliefeldt, Lisa McKeen, Kelly Stone, Lisa Lachance, Leslie Wright, Alisa Simon.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Deborah Morrison; seconded by Myna Kota. All in favour; so moved to accept.

4. Approval of the September 22, 2016 AGM Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of AGM held on September 22, 2016 was made by Deborah Morrison; seconded by Leslie Wright. All in favour; so moved to accept.

5. Chairperson & Treasurer Report

Treasurer's report

Kelly Stone reviewed the financial statements. A motion was made to approve the NACY Unaudited Financial Statements as presented by Raine Liliefeldt; seconded by Deborah Morrison. All in favour; so moved to accept.

Chairperson's report

Over the past year, NACY continued to seek out a more impactful role. Communications and administrative accountabilities could not be successfully managed by Chair, thus Adnela F. was contracted to provide these services. The monthly Newsletter is the only tangible service for members and is a priority to produce a high quality, informative newsletter. After a recommendation at last year's AGM, we surveyed members, and 85% reported they saw NACY's role to partner with other national organizations and provide leadership at influential planning tables. NACY Executive met twice with Minister Duclos and staff to discuss possibilities and there hasn't been significant feedback. NACY Executive met with other organizations to explore partnership including the Sandbox Project, NYSA, and Children First Canada. Deborah Morrison is the liaison between NACY and NYSAs. Lisa Lachance has taken on this role with CFC. Small group work towards identifying future projects which will report under future planning. In the year ahead – funding needed to support administrative roles, build membership, new projects will be a priority.

A motion to accept the Chair's report as presented was made by Myna Kota; seconded by Leslie Wright. All in favour; so moved.

6. Election of Directors

Slate of Board Members returning are as follows:

- Myna Kota
- Lisa Lachance
- Raine Liliefeldt
- Lisa McKeen
- Deborah Morrison
- Leslie Wright

Nominations from the floor was opened; L. McKeen presented and formally nominated candidates Jacqui Debique and Kimberly Thompson. Both CVs had been reviewed by members of the NACY board; each spoke briefly about their career experience and contributions they hoped to make as Board Members.

There being no additional nominations, a motion to close nominations was made by Raine Liliefeldt; seconded by Alisa Simon. All in favour; so moved.

A motion to approve the slate of Board of Directors returning and the two recently nominated was made by Kelly Stone; seconded by Alisa Simon. All in favour; so moved.

Kelly Stone's retirement from the Board left a vacancy for Treasurer. Myna Kota agreed to move into the role of Treasurer. Effectively immediately, action will be taken to remove Kelly Stone as signatory and add Myna Kota as signatory. Motion made by L. McKeen to formally change the organization's signing officers to reflect this change; seconded by Deborah Morrison. All in favour. Carried.

7. Future Planning

A roundtable of Members' observations in the sector over the past year identified common trends and experiences. The group share priorities, sector themes and the potential impact for NACY:

Deborah Morrison, Experiences Canada

Canada 150 and me – greatest challenges for Canada and me in the next century; 5 events; 150 kids were supported to travel – environment, HR, Canada's place in the world; inclusion and diversity; hundreds more engaged in regional events; 150 more engaged in national leadership summit in Ottawa

Most prominent theme was reconciliation with indigenous youth

Engaged young people

Stress level high amongst young people

What are we doing to support young people in their new reality?

Alisa Simon, Kids Help Phone

Rebranding exercise through consultation with youth

24/7 texting service

Raine Liliefeldt, YWCA

Tools for trusted adults from Project Shift

YWCA – supporting girls and young women in terms of their leadership; supporting critical views of Canada 150; new CEO;

Boys & Girls Clubs

4th Youth in Office in partnership with BBBS bring 100 youth from across country scheduled for November 7th.

Myna Kota, Girl Guides of Canada

National youth forum in April 2017 and analyzed views of participants' experiences harmful social norms and stereotypes and how these are reinforced, but as well how young people can respond to this. A new strategic plan has been developed, with a particular emphasis on youth engagement within the organization. Encouraging girls to take on leadership roles and supporting adult allies. Also developing a new web based program.

Leslie Wright, The Philanthropist

The Philanthropist – profiled 150 Canadians from all sectors for Canada 150. Diversity in ages and perspectives, and in consultation with indigenous leaders.

Also ED of Alexander Graham Bell Foundation and as part of Canada 150 celebrations worked with Roberta Bondar Foundation for events. Focused on youth and thinking about legacy pieces.

Kelly Stone, FRP Canada

Over the past three years, FRP has been undergoing reconstitution and modernization. Staff structure has grown and have licences around social enterprise publications and are refocused

on operations, and moving organization to be web based, and ensured business lines responded to members' needs and programs. The organization has already been looking at emergent issues such as newcomer families and integrating seniors and young people...podcasts, e learning etc

Kimberly Thomson, Rainbows, Canada

In the middle of rebranding and upgrading digital presence. Have been heard from remote and Northern communities for support related to loss. Also provided support to schools in Fort MacMurray; did training in Prince George and Cree community in northern Quebec about using materials in reconciliation projects.

Jacqui Debique, Quite Write Communications

As a communications professional, Jacqui will work to tell some of these stories in compelling ways.

Lisa McKeen, Orbis Canada; Easter Seals Canada

Easter Seals Make the First Five Count program successfully launch the parent directory found at www.makethefirstfivecount.ca It will be featured in the upcoming NACY newsletter.

Lisa Lachance, on behalf of a small group of members presented a potential initiative for NACY to become involved with over the next few months. Working with a number of like-minded strategic partners, a comprehensive project focused on youth engagement and inclusion would be undertaken; funding would need to be secured. An overview of the project is attached to these minutes. The Board felt it was a positive direction and will undertake next steps to secure funding.

8. Other Business

9. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Raine Liliefeldt; seconded by Myna Kota. All in favour; so moved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m. EST.