

The Brockville & District Ecumenical Care Community
THE SHEPHERD'S WELCOME CENTRE

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Held at 1000 Island Mall, Community Room #1 in Brockville
Thursday, May 07, 2015

1. Welcome

Meeting started at 2:25 pm

Tony Dunbar, President of the Shepherd's Welcome Centre welcomed everyone to the AGM. There were 26 Shepherd's Welcome Centre participants in attendance for this meeting.

2. The Foundation AGM

Tim Blake, as chairperson, conducted the AGM of the Shepherd's Centre (Brockville) Foundation prior to AGM of the Shepherd's Welcome Centre.

3. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Gail Hanton and seconded by Debby Greffe to accept the agenda.

CARRIED

4. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on May 06, 2014.

It was moved by Gail Hanton and seconded by Marian Rafferty that the minutes be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Reports

a. President's Report as of May 07, 2015

Tony Dunbar read his prepared report for the past year. He spoke of another successful year for the Shepherd's Welcome Centre with over 352 participants registered for the fall 2014 and winter was 254 for 2015 semester.

He also described the many accomplishments and initiatives of the Shepherd's Welcome Centre during the past year. He discussed the Strategy meetings held during 2014 and March 2015. Tony reviewed the Vision and Mission statements. Tony also discussed the Core Values for SWC. Tony mentioned some of the Goals that were assigned to directors to study and look for possible solutions to such matters as parking issues, financial viability, recruitment of directors and volunteers and program support. These results have been reviewed and are helping to finalize a 5-year strategy plan that is almost complete for SWC moving forward.

Tony also thanked all the volunteers and leaders for their help and dedication this past year.

b. Treasurer's Report.

Ralph Greenhalgh presented the report for the financial year April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015. Ralph Greenhalgh moved that the Financial Report should be accepted. The motion was seconded by Bill Carlyle.

CARRIED

Included in the overall report was:

The Annual Balance Sheet and Statement of Income. Ralph Greenhalgh reviewed the balance sheet and expenses from March 31, 2015. Ralph addressed the costs in detail as per the statement presented to the meeting attendees. The Shepherd's Welcome Centre had a small gain of \$1,553.11 over the year with income exceeding expenses by that amount.

The Proposed Budget for April 01, 2015 to March 31, 2016 as previously approved by the board of directors. Ralph Greenhalgh moved that the budget be accepted by the meeting. John Bonser seconded the motion.

CARRIED

Appointment of Auditor- Ralph Greenhalgh nominated Bob Paul, Auditor for another year for SWC and Mr. Paul was appointed again for the year April 01, 2015 to March 31, 2016. A motion to approve this appointment was moved by Ralph Greenhalgh and seconded by Marian Rafferty. CARRIED

Tony Dunbar then thanked Ralph Greenhalgh for his continued good work for the Shepherd's Welcome Centre.

6. Elections of Directors

Gail Hanton, on behalf of the nominating committee, conducted the election. It was noted that 4 director positions were up for renewal. Two directors, Kay Carlson and Papaioannou were stepping down as SWC directors. Cheryl Nix and Bill Carlyle renewed their terms of office. However, Bill Carlyle is planning as staying on as a director for one additional year only.

A list of 4 new candidates was presented. These are Debby Greffe, Bill Checkley and Bev Nixon to fill three director positions. The fourth nominee, Mike Mannella will become an acting director as an assistant to Bill Carlyle for Activities. All current directors were asked to stand and identify themselves to the participants present. Tony Dunbar, Ralph Greenhalgh, Marian Rafferty and Gail Hanton were acknowledged and will continue their term of office until 2016. Also, the renewed directors Cheryl Nix and Bill Carlyle stood up to be recognized and to serve as directors for another term. They were joined by Debby Greffe, Bill Checkley and Bev Nixon as the new SWC directors for a two year term of office. Approved by Bill Carlyle and seconded by Wilsie Hatfield. All directors were appointed by a show of hands by the attendees at the AGM.

CARRIED

(Official positions of each director will be decided and confirmed at the board meeting on Tuesday, August 04, 2015)

7. Questions from the floor:

John Bonser asked that it should be possible for participants receive a printed copy of the previous AGM minutes to read in order to review before approval. He did not feel there is enough time or easy to completely review minutes on the screen. Tony acknowledged John's concern and efforts would be made to provide these minutes appropriately in future prior to the AGM.

Closing Remarks

In closing, Tony Dunbar spoke of the continued need for volunteers and new ideas to keep Shepherd's Welcome Centre active and moving forward.

Tony also complimented and thanked all volunteers, including board members, for their valuable services to SWC throughout the past year.

Barry Nix asked attendees to acknowledge Tony Dunbar for his hard work with the website, new guidelines and strategies that he, together with the team of directors, has generated with a view to providing a framework for a path forward for SWC.

8. Adjournment

It was moved by Tony Dunbar and seconded by Marian Rafferty to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was closed at 3:35pm.