



Draft Minutes of the Third Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, April 22, 2015
Yellowbird East Community Centre
10710-19 Avenue, Edmonton

6:30 pm – Registration and refreshments

Present: 45 members, about 12 guests
Carol Bigam, President, presiding.

7:00 pm - Introduction of Guest Speaker – Bryan Anderson, City of Edmonton
Councilor for Ward 9 by Carol Bigam, President

Michael Walters, City of Edmonton Councilor for Ward 10 was unable to attend.

- Councilor Anderson was involved and helpful with the initial development of SWESA.
- Congratulations were brought from Councilor Anderson about the large number of attendees present.
- Questions from the audience were addressed.
- Councilor Anderson can be contacted at bryan.anderson@edmonton.ca.

7:30 pm – Call to Order – Carol Bigam, President

1. Welcome and introduction of Board Members

2. Agenda – M/S/C – Phil Brooks, Bob Price – that the agenda be approved as presented.

3. Minutes of Annual Meeting 2014 – M/S/C – Shirley White, Marie Shaw – that the minutes be approved as circulated.

4. State of SWESA address – Carol Bigam, President, presented information about the accomplishments and challenges of the past year.

5. Future Directions – Kathy Trepanier presented information about the business planning process, as well as the goals and actions that have been identified to guide the growth and work of SWESA in the coming year.

6. 2014 Financial Statement presented by Michel Lamoureux, Treasurer.

M/S/C – Ken Hurshowy, Paul Robison – that the financial report for 2014 be approved as presented. This is a “Notice to Reader” report.

7. 2015 Budget presented by Michel Lamoureux, Treasurer

M/S/C – Reg Wood, Shirley Adam – that the budget for 2015 be approved as presented.

8. Bylaw revision

M/S/C – Sue Whittington, Linda Allen – that the current bylaw 6.4.2 which reads “All accounts and records shall be audited yearly by a duly qualified accountant” be rescinded and replaced with the proposed Bylaw 6.4.2, ratified by the Board, which reads as follows: “All accounts and records shall be audited yearly by an accountant, or by two members appointed by the Board for that purpose.”

9. Election of Directors

M/S/C – Kathy Trepanier, Sue Whittington – that the slate of candidates for election to the Board of Directors (attached) be approved as presented.

10. Board Retirement – Elnora Hibbert, retiring Secretary of the Board of Directors was thanked for her dedicated service and assistance with the Board and operations of SWESA during the past 2 ½ years.

11. Next Steps – Carol Bigam

Where do we go from here? SWESA’s Vision and Mission guide our growth and development. We have set goals for 2015-16 in the Action Plan. We will:

- Continue to offer more programs to meet the needs of our members.
- Develop a communication and marketing plan to spread the word about SWESA amongst the seniors population in south west Edmonton (35,000)
- Develop sources of funding to pay for the services we wish to offer.
- Expand and formalize the volunteer program.

9:00 pm. Adjournment

Thanks to the donors for their support.

Desert - Rutherford Retirement Residence

Door prizes – City of Edmonton, Fred Horne MLA, Winspear

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Slate of Board Members for Election

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Carol Bigam - completed one 2 year term; seeking election for a second term

Barbara Olsen - completed one 2 year term; seeking election for a second term

Joe Roberts - completed one 2 year term; seeking election for a second term

Michel Lamoureux - appointed by board; seeking election for a first term

Shirley Adam - appointed by board; seeking election for a first term

Elaine Parfitt - appointed by board; seeking election for a first term

Jack Gibbs - seeking election for a first term

Ellen Frombach - seeking election for a first term

Christine Powell - seeking election for a first term

Darrell Cook - seeking election for a first term – withdrew application

Remaining on the Board: Mack Fysh has completed first year of 2 year term

Retiring from the Board: Elnora Hibbert has - completed one 2 year term