



Annual General Meeting Minutes

7:30pm, Tuesday February 28, 2012

Brooksbank Elementary School,

980 East 13th Street,

North Vancouver, BC CANADA

Board members in attendance: Heather Johnstone, Marj Carroll, Sharon Davis, Corree Laule, Maja Regehr, Trevor Kennell

Total number of voting members present: 52

1. Welcome, call to order, quorum and opening remarks (Maja Regehr)

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m.

Quorum for our membership was achieved.

2. Approval of Agenda (Maja Regehr)

MOTION: that the agenda be accepted as presented.

moved by Sylvia Cromack, seconded by Cathy Grant

All in favour, motion **CARRIED**

3. Approval of 2011 Minutes (Maja Regehr)

MOTION: that the minutes of the 2011 AGM be approved / be accepted.

moved by Sylvia Cromack, seconded by Trevor Kennell

All in favour, motion **CARRIED**

4. Review of annual report (Maja Regehr)

Please see attached document for Annual Report.

MOTION: that the annual report be accepted as presented.

moved by Jo White, seconded by Marj Carroll

All in favour, motion **CARRIED**

5. Treasurer's report and approval of the financial statements (Sharon Davis)

Please see attached document for Treasurer's Report.

MOTION: that the Financial Statements for 2011 be accepted.

moved by Sharon Davis, seconded by Trevor Kennell

All in favor, motion **CARRIED**

6. Bylaw amendments (Maja Regehr, Heather Johnstone)

Amendments to the bylaws were presented and summarized. Discussion ensued about the terms for the board of directors (currently 2 years with all board members coming up for re-election at the same time). Various options for staggered terms were discussed, including having half of the board members up for re-election each year.

MOTION: that the presented amended bylaws be accepted.

moved by Judith Brook, seconded by Denise Urcola

All in favor, motion **CARRIED**

MOTION: that the board members will examine various options for staggered elections and present these options for consideration to the membership prior to the 2013 AGM for additional amendments to the bylaws.

moved by Trevor Kennell, seconded by Jo White

All in favor, motion **CARRIED**

7. Garden guidelines update (Heather Johnstone)

The garden guidelines were recently updated to reflect new concerns arising as the gardens become more established and grow. An overview of the updated guidelines as provided and questions/comments from the audience were discussed.

- With respect to the phrase "for seasonal gardeners, plots must be prepared for winter by Nov 1st" – what does prepared mean? We need to be thinking about the bees, but also be aware of rat issues and attracting other vermin.
 - Rules should be laminated and placed on the outside in each garden's shed (preferably under a plexiglass sheet)
 - Laminated pictures of invasive plants should be put on shed (preferably under a plexiglass sheet) and on website for everyone to see
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8. Questions / Comments by gardeners from the floor (Maja)

No comments or questions were raised from the floor.

9. Closing remarks (Maja)

Thank you everyone for attending – we had a fantastic turnout! Everyone’s input is sincerely appreciated and we hope the dialogue and communication can keep going and growing!

10. Adjournment

MOTION: that the meeting be adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

moved by Corree Laule, seconded by Marianne Pengelly

All in favour, motion **CARRIED**
