

# WATERLOO PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP

*Annual General Meeting – SLC, Multi-Purpose Room, University of Waterloo*

*3 April 2014, 6:00 pm*

## AGENDA

### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting chair Kathryn Wettlaufer called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

### 2. LAND RECOGNITION

2.1 Explanation of WPIRG's location on Indigenous territory by Grand River Indigenous Solidarity action group member Rachel Avery.

### 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3.1 **Motion:** "The adoption of the agenda for this meeting as presented."

Moved: Dahli Clarke

Second: Majd Al-shihabi

Motion carried, none opposed, no abstentions

### 4. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

4.1 Presentation and approval of audited financial statements

Michelle Massel, auditor, explained the audit for the financial year 2012-2013.

**Motion:** That the audited financial statements of WPIRG for 2012-2013 be approved."

Moved: Hausalya Kulanayagam

Seconded: Stephen Gross

Motion carried, none opposed, no abstentions

4.2 Appointment of Auditor for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

**Motion:** "That MM&P be approved as the auditor for the year ending August 31, 2014."

Moved: Paisley Cozzarin

Seconded: Shifa Abbas

Motion carried, none opposed, no abstentions

### 5. ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.1 Explanation of Board Member Responsibilities

5.2 Explanation of Bylaw requirements

5.3 Explanation of Voting Procedures

5.4 Introduction of Candidates

The candidates were introduced in random order and each gave a short speech about themselves and why they are running for the WPIRG board.

Thomas Little

Yumna Zaghlol

Sepehr Mohaddes

Paisley Cozzarin

Filzah Nasir

5.5 Question and Answer Period

WPIRG members were given the opportunity to ask questions of candidates.

5.6 Voting

### 6. ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTATION

6.1 Staff member Alex Diceanu presented the WPIRG 2013-2014 Annual Report, covering WPIRG's activities over the past year.

**Motion:** "That the Annual Report be approved as presented."

Moved: Hannah Enns

Seconded: Gabriella Ghanem

Motion carried, none opposed, no abstentions

## **7. 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY PRESENTATION**

7.1 Jake Feldman delivered a presentation on WPIRG's 40-year history of social and environmental justice work at the University of Waterloo.

## **8. CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER – ELECTION RESULTS**

8.1 CRO Becca Redden reported that the new WPIRG Board members are, in alphabetical order:

Paisley Cozzarin

Thomas Little

Sepehr Mohaddes

Filzah Nasir

Yumna Zaghlol

**Motion:** "That the Election report be approved as presented."

Moved: Tessa Alexanian

Seconded: Majd Al-shihabi

Motion carried, none opposed, no abstentions

**Motion:** "That the Election report be approved as presented."

Moved: Majd Al-shihabi

Seconded: Paisley Cozzarin

Motion carried, none opposed, no abstentions

## **9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

9.1 Annual General Meeting of April 4, 2013.

**Motion:** "That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of April 4, 2013 be approved."

Moved: Stephen Gross

Seconded: Ezra Beudot

Motion carried, none opposed, one abstention

## **10. SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARDS PRESENTATION**

10.1 WPIRG Social Justice Activist Awards were presented by WPIRG members Filzah Nasir and Ian Murray to honour the continued work of students at UW. 2014 Award recipients this year were Engineers Without Borders members Rob Reid and Majd Al-shihabi.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

11.1 **Motion:** "That this General Meeting of the WPIRG membership be adjourned."

Moved: Cat Mercer

Seconded: Joseph Chouinard

Motion carried, none opposed, one abstention

**Minutes: Board Secretary Laura McDonald**