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May 29 2022 Dharma Centre of Canada Special Members Meeting and AGM

Proposed AGM Meeting Overview

Welcome and Structure for the day

- **Welcome: Opening Refuge and Meditation**
- **Land Acknowledgement**
- **Special Member Meeting Agenda**
- **Annual General Meeting Agenda**

1. Approval of the 2021 AGM Minutes
2. President's Report. (15 min)
3. Treasurer's Report (15 min)
4. Q and A for the President and Treasurer
5. Election of the Board of Directors
6. Announce the newly elected (or acclaimed) Directors

- **Reports**

Reconvene for Reports:

Current activities for 2021-22

1. Property
2. Temple
3. Spiritual Leadership

Nicholas Russell, Robin Fineberg, Christine Wihak, Monique Truax, Mark Eisenberg, Karen Russell, David Berry, Lisa Cowen, David Hetherington, Dawn Moore, John Munro, Sarah Carlin Bell, Ran Wilkie, Terry Hagan, Mala Sikkha, Maria Burns - -

1. Welcome from Karen Russell. Karen outlines structure of the meeting to all participants.
2. Refuge, prayer, and land acknowledgment from Karen Russell and David Berry.
3. David presents the overview of the three corporate objectives. Also presents the need to list and expand the scope of the third corporate objective specifically. The special members meeting is to list and codify the third corporate objective into three separate categories.
4. David reads the three expansions of the third corporate objective and explains the terminology and also word choices.
5. Floor now open for comments and questions from present members.
6. David motions to expand the third corporate objective to now list the three new subcategories. The third corporate objective will now include but not be limited to the new expansion corporate works.
7. Motioned by David, seconded by John Munro.
8. Unanimously passed.
- 9. Motion to adjourn the special members meeting by Chris VB. Second by David Berry. Motion Passes.**

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1. Passing of minutes from Dec 5, 2021. Karen moves to pass minutes. Membership passes the motion by Karen.
2. Motion to adopt May 29, 2022 agenda Robin F. Seconded by Christine W. Membership votes and passes.
3. **President Report from Christine.** Christine reviews the board ‘overlap’ from 2021 and its success in 2021. Christine mentions the good work of Marta C. and Marion H. in regards to the knowledge transfer to the new DCC admin, NooN. Christine overviews the employment of NooN. Thank you, Noon! Overviews the work towards staffing the Dharma Centre over the course of Spring, Summer and Fall 2022. Len Robson the unofficial steward of the Dharma Centre for the duration of the Summer. Contract cooks in cue till mid-summer. Thanks to the individuals who maintained the DCC website, socials, community and membership over the pandemic. Present report concludes.

4. Monique motions to accept Presidential report. Seconded by Maria Burns. Motion passes.

5. Treasurer Report from Monique Truax. Not much changed from December reports. Monique highlights error in the bookkeeping for 2021. Seems there was a loss of \$3000 and NOT loss of \$6000 or \$7000 as initially suspected. Revenues over \$200,000 from 2021. Generally more income from room and food than 2020. Deferred revenue from property and temple. Online teachings accrued +/- \$16,000 over 2021 through course fees. Expenses were on Temple repairs, equipment, appliances. Deferred contributions: Regular PSF - \$17000 Yukon \$25,000 Temple \$25,000 NYBCC Uplift property \$16,000 Total: \$103,000 In the bank at end of 2021 \$199,000 leaving \$96,000 operating funds. Report concludes. **6. David motions to accept financial report. Seconded by Christine W. Motion accepted.**

7. Open up the floor for questions directed to President and acting treasurer Monique T. Question from Daryl P: Is there a predictive way to look at the budget? Any forecasts for 2022 or 2023. Answer: (Monique) There are many property needs and also a car needed. Robin will address property repairs later in the meeting. Question from Mala S: In regards to uplift the property fund. How is this allocated? Answer from Monique: generally for property. How is the money allocated for the NYBCC fund? David mentions the method of non-profits accepting funds to issue tax receipt and passing on grant to other non-profit. Lisa Cowen asks about the practitioner support fund and how it's allocated. Monique breaks down the need to move the funds from practitioner support to income, etc. Lisa encourages outreach and making teacher aware of the funds for their students.

8. Karen overviews the board current board members and opens the floor to nominations.

9. Christine W. Nominated Robin K. Seconded by David Berry.

10. Terry Hagan nominates Dawn Moore. Seconded by Mark E.

11. Mala S. nominates Sarah Carlin-Ball. Second by Monique Truax.

12. Robin Accepts

13. Dawn Accepts

14. Sarah Accepts

15. David B. Asked for further nomination and/or volunteers

16. Karen declares nominations closed. Three new nominees are now members of the Board of Dharma Centre of Canada.

17. Open floor for new nominees. New members say a few minutes on their views, etc.

18. Robin F report on property: A lot of differed maintenance. Prioritizing how things will be repaired, etc. Essentially going through a process of identifying problems. Hill House kitchen and bathroom have large problems. Hill House is now under renovation by licences general contractor, Lee. New roof coming end of June. Main house has water leaking in foundation. Repairs are underway. Road grading underway to Hermitage and installing drainage. New outhouse at Temple. New propane fridge for Orion. Len R. Has donated a cabin which will be installed in Hermitage Area. It has been delivered. Tent has been installed. Len has installed a vegetable garden.

19. Open for discussion.

20. David Berry overviews of the former Temple plans. David overviews the ‘three pronged approach’ : 1. New building 2. Air quality report suggested that Temple is fixable. 3. Len’s Cabin 4. New Tent.

21. Floor turns to Maria Burns regarding Temple. Maria overviews her vision of mechanical, structural and environmental. Engineers have been contacted and we have received reports. Maria briefly cites some changes needed at the Temple: HVAC etc. Comments on the risk of including engineers on the property.

22. Christine W. Report on Spiritual Leadership. Overview of the development of the Core Teachers Model. Based on criteria 1. Teacher imbues and trained in the spirit of DCC founder Namgyal Rinpoche (NR) 2. Taught at the DCC many times. This is an evolving model. Christine overviews the dissolution of the Residential Teacher model. Cites the challenge of vetting solo retreatants.

23. Floor open to questions.

24. Mala S: Poses questions about offering solo retreats and possibly forming committee that can act as a ‘solo retreat’ committee.

25. Karen Motions to adjourn meeting ; John, Seconded by Maria B. Motions passes.

26. Thank you.

Date of next BoD meeting: June 7, 2022.