

<p>MINUTES -- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING</p> <p>Rotary Clubs of the Lower Mainland of BC World Help Network</p> <p>April 12, 2016</p> <p>Clubhouse, Burnaby Mountain Golf Course, 7600 Halifax Street, Burnaby, B. C.</p>

Clubs Present:	Burnaby Burnaby Deer Lake Coquitlam Coquitlam Sunrise Langley Langley Central Langley Sunrise New Westminster New West Royal City	North Delta North Vancouver, Lions Gate Port Moody Richmond Sunrise Sechelt Surrey Guildford Vancouver West Vancouver Whistler Millennium
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ISSUES/ITEMS

ACTION

A. Welcome and Adoption of the Agenda:

Bonnie welcomed the Rotarians and guests.

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented was made by Brian Cox and Seconded by Jim McGrandles. Motion carried.

B. Quorum:

Ralph Towsley reported that there was a quorum and that the AGM for the *Rotary Clubs of the Lower Mainland of BC World Help Network* could be conducted.

- The number of attendees was:
- Paid attendees:
- Member Clubs in attendance: 18
- Proxies submitted and used: 1
- Guests:
- Quorum count: 19

C. Minutes of 2016 AGM for the Year Ending December 31, 2015:

Dan Gallant moved and Elena Agala seconded that the minutes of the 2015 AGM (for the year ending December 31, 2014) be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

D. President’s Report – Bonnie Sutherland:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, President Bonnie Sutherland, presented the President's Report on activities of the Society for the year ending December 31, 2015. A copy of the report is shown on page 12 of the 2015 Annual Report. Bonnie thanked all the volunteers who put others ahead of themselves. She provided examples of the continuing need

E. Financial Statements – David Truman:

David Truman, Treasurer, presented the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015. Moved by Jim McGrandles and seconded by Wayne Crossen that the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2015 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

F. Auditors to be Waived:

Moved by George Sandwith and seconded by Mike Kaburda that the appointment of an Auditor be waived. Motion carried.

G. Nomination Committee – Steve Gable:

Anne Hulbert, acting for the Chair of the Nomination Committee, Steve Gable, reported that the following people have been nominated for election to the Board of the Society:

President:.....Anne Hulbert
Vice President:.....Wayne Crossen
Vice President, Shipping:.....Steve Gable
Secretary:.....D'Arcy Warner
Treasurer:.....David Truman
Past President:.....Bonnie Sutherland
Director, Transportation of Goods:.....Dan Gallant
Director, Warehouse:.....George Sandwith
Director:.....Tom Albanese
Director:.....Michael Woolnough
Director:.....Janice Froese
Director:.....Jim McGrandles
Director, Northern Clubs:.....¹Andrea Johnson

Anne Hulbert invited any other nominations from the floor (three times). Hearing none, Dan Galant moved and Jim McGrandles seconded that the above people be elected (as indicated above) to hold office in the Society until their successors are appointed or elected. Motion carried.

H. Guest Speaker: Mike Crean

¹ Although not elected at this AGM, Andrea Johnson was confirmed as Director, Northern Clubs at the May 10, 2016 Board meeting.

George Sandwith introduced Mike Crean who spoke about the Ugandan ENT Program. He started his presentation with a list of the 20 poorest countries in the world and the fact that Rotary is working in every one of those countries. His introduction to the ENT program started with PDG Irwin Stewart and the focus on hearing. The program has moved onto testing, surgery and teaching. The team is instrumental in starting a biomedical degree program training 16 residents annually at Malago Hospital in Kampala. Additional Ugandan projects that he is involved with are funding water and sanitation projects such as latrines; St Joseph's Mission that works with abandoned handicapped children; a leprosy facility; funding of electrical tool kits; organizing Rotary World Help shipments and dealing with the red table to have containers released. Mike Crean thanked Rotary World Help for continuing its work. Wayne Crossen thanked Mike Crean.

I. Special Presentation:

The Rotary World Help has established a new award "the Ralphy" to be presented annually to recognize an individual who has made a significant difference to the Rotary World Help. The recipient for the current year is Ralph Townsley. One of the founders of the Rotary World Help. Ralph, an active participant for the last twenty years, continues to attend most of the loadings, organizes the volunteers for the container and provides advice from years of experience.

In accepting the award, Ralph emphasized the need for new younger volunteers to ensure the Rotary World Help continues to function

J. Other Business

1) Dan Gallant acknowledged the ongoing assistance from of a non Rotarian Ron Allegretto. Ron was thanked

2) The Rotary Club of New Westminster has challenged each of the Rotary World Help member clubs to contribute \$500.00 to ensure the continued sponsorship of containers.

K. Adjournment of AGM:

Since there was no other business to come before this AGM, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.