

Canadian Parents for French New Brunswick Branch

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Thursday, November 24th, 2022 19:00 hours Zoom meeting

Branch Office 77 Wheeler Road, Four Corners, NB

Minutes from the Meeting

In Attendance

Chris Collins, Executive Director Austin Henderson, President Jane Keith, Vice President Carole Noël, Director Dorothy White, Advisor to the Board Robert Bernier, Advisor to the Board Greg Keith, Director Donna Floyd Accountant Jon MacDougall Derek Bentley Bronwyn Bonney Charles MacDougall Kate Peters Petrina Ferris Tammy Constantine Wendy Smith

Regular Business

1. Call to order

Austin Henderson, President, called the meeting to order at 19:02.

Greetings from special guests: Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages – Atlantic Region, Charles MacDougall; CPF National President Derrek Bentley and Ms. Donna Floyd, CPA Professional Corporation Chartered Professional Accountants.

2. Approval of the Agenda for the November 24th, 2022, Annual General Meeting

<u>Jane Keith</u> moved that the agenda for the November 24th, 2022, Annual General Meeting be approved. Seconded by <u>Petrina Ferris</u>. Motion carried.

3. Approval of minutes from the 2021 Annual General Meeting

Moved by <u>Dorothy White</u> that the minutes from, November 27th, 2021, Annual General Meeting be approved. Seconded by <u>Jane Keith</u>. Motion carried.

4. **Business Arising from Minutes**

5. Reports:

1. President's Report

Highlights: Collaboration between SANB and CPF NB, future of French Immersion programs in the province and virtual programming.

2. Executive Director's Report

From the beginning of his role, the Executive Director, Chris Collins, has been working mainly on Advocacy for the future of French Immersion in the province. CPF National has been very supportive financially towards the cause. The decision is political as it is not based on data and research. The new Executive Director is looking forward to work with everyone with CPF NB & CPF National.

3. Nomination Report

Donna McLaughlin will be joining as a new Director for CPF NB. All the following members from 2021-22 fiscal will be returning as Board members. Austin Henderson, Jane Keith, Greg Keith, Tara Thorne, and Carole Noël.

4. By-law Committee Report

Jane Keith moved the proposed By-law Amendments. Seconded by Petrina Ferris.

5. Treasurer Report

Donna Floyd presented a general overview of the financial statements. <u>Jane Keith</u> moved the approval of the financial statements for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 2022. Seconded by <u>Tammy Constantine</u>. Motion carried.

<u>Petrina Ferris</u> moved to appoint Donna Floyd CPA & Associates for the audit for the fiscal year 2022-23. Seconded by <u>Carole Noël</u>.

6. Approval of Reports

The reports were sent to the Board of Directors prior to the meeting. <u>Petrina Ferris</u> moved the approval of all the reports. Seconded by <u>Carole Noël</u>. Motion carried.

7. Election of Directors for the 2022/2023 CPF NB Board of Directors

All members present completed the polls to vote for the Directors.

8. Questions or other business

Petrina Ferris, member of CPF-NB is very concerned about the future of French education in NB. She is interested to help CPF NB.

9. Motion to Adjourn

Petrina Ferris moved to adjourn the Annual General Meeting. Seconded by Tammy Constantine.

Respectfully submitted, Carole Noël, Director, and Secretary