

Fernie Pride Society AGM 2021
Thursday, March 11 at 6pm
Via Zoom

In Attendance: Kevin Allen, Courtney Baker, Mary Cosman, Sarah Laverick, Andrea Brennan, Dylan Cawston, Patty Vadnais, Melissa Creelman, Louisa Sullivan, Gordon Sombrowski, Carolin Fullrich, Jen Grebeldinger, Laura Vaughan, Easton Fieldhouse, Casi-Jo LaSalle, Anie Hepher

- I. Welcome. Thank you. Introduce Board of Directors.
- II. The meeting will now come to order at 6:05 PM.
 - a. This is the annual general meeting of the members of the Fernie Pride Society. Pursuant to the by-laws of the Society, I, Kevin Allen, as President of the Society, will act as Chair of the meeting; Courtney Baker will act as Secretary of the meeting.
 - b. I will chair the formal business portion of the meeting, following which there will be an informal opportunity for questions and general comments.
 - c. The notice calling this meeting of members was distributed February 18, 2021 to all members of record and the community at large.
 - d. Quorum for this Meeting is 5 voting members in good standing.
There are 12 voting members present, so a quorum is present.
 - e. Voting will occur by a show of hands, or by zoom polling if required.
- III. Notice having been served in accordance with the articles of the Society and a quorum being present: **Motion to accept the Agenda.**
Moved: Andrea Brennan, Seconded: Sarah Laverick. Unanimous.
- IV. **Motion to approve the 2020 Minutes of the Society.**
Moved: Mary Cosman, Seconded: Melissa Creelman. Unanimous.
- V. The next item of business is the presentation of the Financial Statements. **Motion to accept the Financial Statements. Moved: Melissa Creelman, Seconded: Andrea Brennan Unanimous.**
 - a. The next item of business is the appointment of 2 auditors. An auditor does not have to be an accountant. An auditor can be a member who is not involved in the governance or operation of the Society; who is financially literate, i.e. familiar with financial statements; and who would like to volunteer their time to review the Fernie Pride Society's prior years' financial record. Is there anyone here among the members who would like to volunteer?
Gordon Sombrowski and Dylan Cawston volunteer.
Motion to accept volunteer auditors.
Moved: Easton Fieldhouse, Seconded: Mary Cosman.
Unanimous.
- VI. We can now proceed with the election of directors.
 - a. Board positions are two-year terms.
 - b. We currently have 5 vacant Director at Large positions on the board. We have received 5 nominations to the Board.
 - c. I declare the meeting open for nominations and place the names of the proposed directors before the meeting.
I, Kevin, nominate new and returning members:
Kevin Allen
Melissa Creelman
Easton Fieldhouse
Dylan Cawston
Carolin Fullrich

As directors of the Society.

Seconded by: Andrea Brennan

d. All of the nominees have consented to act as directors of the Society. They have met with us and reviewed the expectations of the Fernie Pride Society. Now I would like to ask are there any nominations from the floor? – None given.

e. I declare the nominations closed.

f. Is there any discussion? – None given.

g. All in favour of electing those nominated as directors please raise your hands.

Any contrary?

CARRIED (unanimously)

h. I declare those nominated to be duly elected directors of the Society to hold office until the next annual meeting that coincides with the end of their two-year term or until their successors are elected or appointed pursuant to the provisions of the by-laws of the Society.

VII. Next on the agenda is the Annual Report. Kevin Allen/Courtney Baker presents annual report. .

VIII. Old Business? (NONE)

IX. New Business: Strengthening Community Capacity for Inclusion in BC's Elk Valley. Is there any other new business? Discussion as to developing a monthly LGBTQ2+ arts and music event.

X. As there is no further formal business, I will entertain a motion to terminate the formal portion of this meeting.

Motion: Sarah Laverick "I move that the meeting be terminated".

All in favour please signify by raising your hands.

Contrary?

CARRIED (unanimously).

I declare this meeting terminated at 6:43 p.m.