

PEI FVPS Inc. – 40th Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, June 23, 2021– 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Online: Virtual Meeting

Present: Michelle Burge, Danny Gallant, Andrea LeClair-Shefler, Wanda Lyall, Caroline MacRae, Bridget Morriscey, Melissa Munro-Bernard, Ghislaine O’Hanley, Ann Sherman, Shira Zipursky, Cindy Banks, Ellen Ridgeway, Daneen MacDonald, Beth Cruwys, Jan Devine, Julie Doyle, Michelle Buttery, Dara Rayner, Jill Lightwood, Kim McGuigan, Gloria Dennis, Joanne Ings, Lindsay Merrill, Michelle Harris-Genge, Barbie MacKay, Danya O’Malley (ex-official), Paxton Caseley (ex-official)

Regrets: Kent Bruyneel, Mary Rogers

Chair: Ann Sherman

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

M/S: Approved by consensus.

CARRIED.

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Be it resolved that the minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting held on June 17, 2020 be approved as presented.

M/S: Andrea LeClair-Shefler/ Caroline MacRae

CARRIED.

3. Financial Statements

Michelle Burge from MRSB reviewed the Statement of Financial Position, which is a snapshot of the financial position of the organization at March 31, 2021. It is the opinion of the auditor that it presents fairly and in accordance with Canadian accounting standards. Consistent with previous years. The organization has received a clean bill of health.

Total assets for the year were 1.7 million which is an increase of 250k. Cash on-hand at year end was approximately 494k which is also an increase from the previous year. Accounts receivable was 62k. This is comprised of an 11k HST rebate, owing to women’s allowance of 14k, and a grant from the John Howard Society for 35k. There were prepaid expenses including a 14k downpayment on the new CaseWorks software. Property and equipment increased in value due to the purchase of computers and shelter renovations throughout the year. The endowment is now a little over 1 million. This increase is due to additional donations, but the most significant reason being the investments performing very well.

Accounts payable equal to 64k for wages, bills, RRSP, etc. Deferred revenue is significant due to having multiple projects in progress, totalling 359k. The largest amount deferred is the funds raised through Burger Love, but all funds are committed. Rogers Family Grant for 34k, Youth Programming for 37k, and an additional 10k grant from Province for transportation needs. There was an overall small operating loss of \$4500 for the year.

Revenues increased by approximately 93k. Donations are down from last year likely due to lack of opportunity to host fundraising events. The organization has done well financially despite COVID-19, due mostly to a very successful Financial Campaign.

4. Motion to Approve the 2020-21 Audited Statements

MOTION: Be it resolved that the audited financial statements be accepted from MRSB Chartered Accountants for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021.

M/S: Shira Zipursky/ Melissa Munro Bernard

CARRIED.

5. Motion to Appoint Auditor

MOTION: Be it resolved that MRSB Chartered Accountants be appointed as auditors for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

M/S: Julie Doyle/ Ghislaine O’Hanley

CARRIED.

6. Report on Board Terms

Bridget and Caroline presented the report on the status of renewing Board members. Julie, Andrea, and Caroline have all chosen to renew their terms. There are no new members to elect. Mary Rogers is stepping down from the Board. Ann thanked Mary for her contribution.

7. Report from Board Chair and Executive Director

Danya O’Malley – Executive Director

Congratulated staff and Board members for exceeding expectations and overcoming the many challenges thrown our way this year. Reflected on where we are now as compared to last year. In particular that almost all staff are fully vaccinated. The pandemic exposed inequalities and gaps which need to be addressed for society in general (e.g. childcare being accessible). The 40th anniversary of the organization is this year and Danya enjoyed the process of compiling information and stories for the video. In doing so, she learned aspects of the organization’s history that she was previously unaware of, which has been very meaningful. She’s been Director for 5 years now and is continuously working on her vision of having the organization being a ‘one-stop shop’ for anyone who has experienced family violence, whether they are a victim or perpetrator. Nick Frid has been hired as the Men’s Services Coordinator and already has clients, both victims and perpetrators. While this is new territory for the organization, Danya is very optimistic.

Ann Sherman – Board Chair

Ann looks forward to meeting with the Board in person as the easing of COVID-19 restrictions allow. Finds that conversations in person are richer and more in-depth. Missing the personal touch of gathering together. Recognizes that PEI is exceptionally lucky in not having extended lockdowns which has meant that domestic violence has not been worsened in the same way as in many other jurisdictions and provinces. Looking forward to doing more community outreach and education which we had not been able to do last year. Thanked all staff for stepping up and continuing to do exceptional work in spite of a global pandemic and all that it brings.

8. 40th Anniversary Video and Discussion

9. Other Business

Beginning in 2022, Family Violence Prevention week is moved to May.

10. Adjournment

MOTION: Be it resolved that the 40th annual meeting be adjourned.
M/S: Danny Gallant

CARRIED.

FVPS Board Member

Date

FVPS – Recording Secretary

Date