Climate-Informed Counsellors Chapter AGM Agenda

June 26th, 2024

attended: Trevor Lehmann, Christina Johnson, Nancy Blair, Julia Clarke, Véronique Livermore, Susan Dempsey, Danielle McCann, Dean Diamond

regrets: Corinne Hendricken Eldershaw, Lily Jimenez-Dabdoub

1. Land Acknowledgement

- **2. Approval of Agenda. -** moved by Trevor, seconded by Danielle, approved unanimously
- 3. Acting President's Report (Trevor)
- -Review of initiatives and chapter activities from this past year and outline of future plans
- -motion to approve the Acting President's Report by Trevor, seconded by Danielle, approved unanimously

4. Acting Treasurer's Report. (Véronique)

- -Review of the background regarding the creation of the business account
- -Véronique and Trevor are currently the two signatories for the chequing account
- -Review of CCPA payout schedule and process and policy regarding \$1 going to the organization's translation fund
- -Current balance and upcoming deductions
- Discussion concerning the possibility of finding an alternative to RBC in future. Susan to explore whether Coast Capital may be able to offer reasonable fees and more environmental practices
- -Trevor thanked Véronique for all her work
- -Dean asked whether moving to a credit union would require voting by membership. Trevor confirmed that the Executive can make that decision without a vote from the membership
- -Motion to approve the Acting Treasurer's Report by Trevor, seconded by Nancy, approved unanimously

5. Elections

-Trevor presented the two candidates for elections

- -Nancy proposed changing the word "appoint" to "elect" when voting on Danielle McCann's candidacy for the Educational Outreach Coordinator position. Trevor moved to make this change before the vote, and Nancy seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.
- -Voting was conducted anonymously using a Zoom poll
- -Christina Johnson was unanimously elected as Director at Large
- -Danielle McCann was unanimously elected as Educational Outreach Coordinator

6. Vote on changes to the constitution

- a. Title of Chair We have been using the term "Chair" instead of "President" which is the more common title in other Chapters. Initially meant to represent a reduction in power differences, we have run into a number of challenges with CCPA default titling of emails as "President" confusing the titles. We will be voting on whether to change the title of Chair to President
- -Trevor reviewed the rationale for making this change prior to the vote.
 - b. Increasing yearly membership fees We have been very active over the past year collaborating with other chapters and bringing in presenters. In order to help fund additional presentations, educational initiatives and other programming, we are voting on whether to increase membership fees to \$20 per month
- -Trevor reviewed the rationale for making this change prior to the vote.
 - c. Creation of Educational Outreach Coordinator In the past we have relied on Student Liaisons to perform educational outreach. Due to time constraints of students, it has been become apparent that the creation of an executive position to facilitate this is important to ensure continuity of ongoing outreach and programming. We are voting on whether to create a new executive position or create a position that is appointed by the Executives.
- -Trevor reviewed the rationale for making this change prior to the vote.
 - d. Division of Secretary and Communications Officer Currently the Communications Officer responsible for social media and advertising, graphic design, and other communications with the public in addition to the Secretary role We are voting to split it into two positions with the Communications Officer focusing on social media and email with the public while the Secretary focuses on note-taking and organizing

communications. If approved, our current Secretary/Communications Officer Lily Jiménez-Dabdoub will move to Communications Officer and a Secretary will need to be appointed

- -Trevor reviewed the rationale for this new role before the vote and mentioned that the chapter also wants to create a new secretary position for note-taking.
- -Voting was conducted through a Zoom poll. All three changes to the constitution were unanimously approved
- -Nancy complimented Trevor for his leadership and Véronique and the entire executive for their work.
- -Trevor invited executive members to reach out for an individual conversation about their goals and interests concerning the coming year if they wish.
- **7. Adjournment -** Susan moved to adjourn. Nancy seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.