



**OLD GROWTH
CONSERVANCY SOCIETY**

WEST VANCOUVER B.C.

**OGCS 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday, February 20, 2019
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
West Vancouver Seniors' Centre (Marine Room)
695 – 21st Street, West Vancouver, BC**

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Present: Directors: Karen Marzocco (President), Marshall Bauman (Vice-President), Alan Bardsley (Secretary), Doug Bardsley (Treasurer), Mike Phillipoff, Katharine Steig, Herb Storm, Paul Hundal (Directors-at-Large).

Regrets: Hugh Hamilton

Municipal Representatives: Corinne Ambor (DWV Parks Dept., non-voting Board member), Kari Pocock (DWV Parks Dept., alternate non-voting Board member)

Total attending: 35 signed in.

Introduction: OGCS President Karen Marzocco welcomed all to the AGM. Karen noted that OGCS by-law requirements had been met: providing at least 15 days notice to members of the AGM date and having a quorum of at least 3 members. Copies of the Agenda, Draft Minutes of the February 28, 2018 AGM, Financial Report, Directors' Report and Proposed Constitution and Bylaws were available at the back of the room. Only members in good standing were eligible to vote, holding up yellow voting cards provided during registration. Current OGCS Directors were introduced and thanked for their support. Non-voting Board member Corinne Ambor, DWV Manager of Parks Planning and Community Stewardship, was thanked for her dedication and guidance to OGCS Directors. Advisory Members David Cook and Terry Taylor and representatives of other stewardship groups were recognized and thanked for their community work: WVSS, LPPS and FCPP.

- 1. Approval of AGM Agenda: Motion to approve agenda:** moved by Katharine Steig, seconded by David Cook, carried unanimously by show of voting cards.
- 2. Adoption of Minutes of March 8, 2017 AGM: Motion to adopt minutes:** moved by Katharine Steig, seconded by Alan Bardsley, carried unanimously.
- 3. Treasurer's Report:** Copies of the Statement of Financial Position and Income Statement as at January 31, 2019 were provided by Doug Bardsley. OGCS's current bank balance is \$2,735.80, an improvement of almost \$1,000 over 2018. OGCS currently has 50 members in good standing. Donations were \$1.035 this year. OGCS expenses were higher due to a return to travel/honorariums for speakers and minor costs for the BCIT OGC survey. OGCS also has a stewardship role for the Black Creek Environmental Fund held by the West Vancouver Community Foundation and standing at \$18,397.27 at June 30, 2018. Nothing has been spent from this Fund since its inception in 2013.
Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report: made by Herb Storm, seconded by Paul Hundal, carried unanimously.

4. **Directors' Report for 2018:** Karen Marzocco presented highlights of the written 2018 Directors' Report, supported by PowerPoint slides. Questions from members were invited. Details can be found in the Directors' Report which was posted to OGCS.ca. Slides were shown on the following topics.

- **2018 Snowshoe**
- **Summer Guided Tours of the Conservancy**
- **Summer Guided Tours Outside the Conservancy**
- **New Brochure on Old-Growth in West Vancouver**
- **Community Events: Community Day and Coho Festival**
- **Monitoring the Conservancy**
- **Forest Ecosystem Inventory of the Conservancy by BCIT**
- **Marr Creek to Brothers Creek Old-Growth Biophysical Study presented by David Cook**
- **OGCS Communications Strategy and Member Engagement Committee**
- **Randy Stoltmann Interpretive Sign**
- **District of West Vancouver**
- **Community Award for the Environment**
- **OGCS Newsletters #13 and #14**
- **Plans for 2018**

5. **Election of Directors for 2018:**

Nominating Committee Report: Eight directors' positions were open and five Directors were finishing their 2-year term and are willing to stand for election or re-election: Doug Bardsley, Marshall Bauman, David Cook, Hugh Hamilton, and Karen Marzocco. Acceptance of the Nominating Committee Report moved by Katharine Steig. Seconded by Paul Hundal. Carried.

Karen asked for nominations from the floor. Hearing no nominations, she declared the nominations closed and declared the 5 nominees acclaimed as Directors. Thanks were given to all Directors, advisory members District staff for their support.

6. **Announcements:** As she was stepping down as a director, Katharine Steig was thanked for her many years of contributions to the Society and was presented with a bouquet of flowers. We wished her all the best and look forward to seeing her regularly as she has offered to continue to host the monthly Directors' Meetings.

7. **Presentation by Ira Sutherland** – *“Tall tales from the Great Vancouver Forest”*

8. **Adjournment:** Declared closed by Karen Marzocco at 8:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Alan Bardsley, OGCS Secretary