



**OLD GROWTH
CONSERVANCY SOCIETY**

WEST VANCOUVER B.C.

OGCS 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

West Vancouver Seniors' Centre (Marine Room)

695 – 21st Street, West Vancouver, BC

MINUTES (Draft 2)

Present: Directors: Karen Marzocco (President), Marshall Bauman (Vice-President), Alan Bardsley (Secretary), Doug Bardsley (Treasurer), Herb Storm

Regrets: Hugh Hamilton, Paul Hundal (Directors-at-Large), Kari Pocock (DWV Parks Representative)

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

Total attending: 31 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 20, 2019 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 orange 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. Dan Henegar, DWV Parks Operations Manager and other stewardship groups were recognized and thanked for their community work: WVSS, LPPS, FCPP and WVNHS.

- 1. Approval of AGM Agenda: Motion to approve agenda:** moved by Mike Fillipoff, seconded by Elaine Graham, carried unanimously by show of voting cards.
- 2. Adoption of Minutes of February 20, 2019 AGM: Motion to adopt minutes as amended:** moved by Katharine Steig, seconded by Mike Fillipoff, carried unanimously. The year was amended in sections 2 and 5.
- 3. Treasurer's Report:** Copies of the Statement of Financial Position and Income Statement as at January 31, 2020 were provided by Doug Bardsley. OGCS's current bank balance is \$2,754.22, almost the same as 2019. OGCS currently has 40 members in good standing, a decrease from last year which had higher membership signups at public events. Donations were \$145 this year. OGCS expenses were slightly lower thanks to no costs from 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 \$19,649.45 at June 30, 2019. Nothing has been spent from this Fund since its inception in 2013. **Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report:** made by Alan Bardsley, seconded by Katharine Steig, carried unanimously.

4. **Directors' Report for 2019:** Karen Marzocco presented highlights of the written 2019 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.
 - **Summer Guided Tours of the Conservancy**
 - **Summer Guided Tours Outside the Conservancy**
 - **Dates for Guided Tours in 2020**
 - **New Brochure on Old-Growth in West Vancouver**
 - **Community Events: Bridge Festival and Coho Festival**
 - **Monitoring the Conservancy**
 - **Decommissioning of Rogue Hiking Trail**
 - **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**
 - **30th Anniversary of the 1990 Referendum**
 - **OGCS Newsletters #15 and #16**
 - **Special Thanks to Directors Hugh Hamilton and Herb Storm**
 - **Plans for 2020**

5. **Election of Directors for 2020:**

Nominating Committee Report: Seven directors' positions were open and two Directors were finishing their 2-year term and are willing to stand for election or re-election: Alan Bardsley and Paul Hundal.

Acceptance of the Nominating Committee Report moved by Alan Bardsley. Seconded by David Cook. Carried.

Karen asked 3 times for nominations from the floor. Hearing no nominations, she declared the nominations closed and declared the 2 nominees acclaimed as Directors. Thanks were given to all Directors, advisory members and District staff for their support.

6. **Announcements:** The Society congratulated Director David Cook on receiving the District of North Vancouver Heritage Award for his excellent work on old-growth forests and ecosystems in the District of North Vancouver and across the North Shore,

7. **Presentation by Dr. John Innes** – *“The Management of Old Growth: Challenges and Opportunities”*

8. **Adjournment:** Declared closed by Karen Marzocco at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Alan Bardsley, OGCS Secretary