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***CommunityWise Resource Centre***

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2016**

**M.C.:** Reg Tiangha

**Minutes:** Erin McFarlane

**Timekeeper:** Dheny Rivas

**Attended:** Son Edworthy (CommunityWise staff collective); Philip McCutcheon (CommunityWise staff collective); Jian Hong (CommunityWies staff collective); Erin McFarlane (CommunityWise staff collective); Kyla Myles (CommunityWise practicum); Sobia Noreen (CommunityWise practicum); Reg Tiangha (Gear Station, CommunityWise Board); Susan Bareshinebone (AFCC, CommunityWise Board); Tove Engebretsen (community member, CommunityWise Board)

Corinne Craig (SEEDS Connections, CommunityWise Board); Curtis Boudreau (SMART Recovery, CommunityWise Board); Rick McFerrin (Two Wheel View, CommunityWise Board); Courtney Robertson (community member, CommunityWise Board); Carmin Moore (ACT Alberta); Helen Mok (Foothills Library Association); Joe Pimlott (AFCC); Erin Jenkins (Refuge Recovery); Aminah Malik (Refuge Recovery); Mike Simoens (CCGC); Gerald Wheatley (Arusha); Mike Byerley (Next Up); Kevin Allen (individual member); Greg Lang (JAWS); Kim Brown (JAWS); Joseph Portincasa (JAWS); Moe (Oromian Community Association); Tyson Bankert (community); Josh Carter (community); Dheny Rivas (community); Jamie Zarn (community)

# AGENDA

**Thursday, May 19, 2016**

**Doors at 6:00**

**6:30 to 8:30 pm**

1. Introductions and Opening Comments 6:30

* Reg called meeting to order at 6:45pm
* Noted amendment to change agenda item #8
  + Bylaw changes will be moved to SGM at August Board Meeting

2. Approve the agenda for AGM May 19, 2016

* ***Proposal*** *(Reg Tiangha): Accept agenda with amendment to item #8 (bylaw changes moved to SGM at August Board Meeting)*

Consent: 20

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

**Proposal passed**

3. Approve the minutes of AGM May 21st, 2015

* ***Proposal*** *(Reg Tiangha): Accept 2015 AGM minutes as presented*

Consent: 19

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

**Proposal passed**

4. Business Arising from Minutes of May 21st, 2015

* No business deferred from May 2t, 2015

5. Annual Report

* Staff Collective gave annual report via slideshow

(Practicums; Collaborative Framework; Programming; Financial; Facilities)

6. Presentation of 2015 Audited Financial Statements 6:50

* Jian provided overview of statements (at 7:10pm)

***Proposal:*** *(Reg) Accept the 2015 Audited Financial Statements as presented*

Consent: 19

Opposed:0

Abstained: 1

**Proposal passed**

* Question (Colin Mahau, BGCC): What is self-supported programs line?
  + Answer (Jian and Phil) Equinox Vigil project; no longer supported by CommunityWise in 2016
* ***Proposal***: Accept Lockhart LLP as auditor for 2016
  + Question (Kevin Allen, Outlink): Are we required to have audited financial statements rather than review?
    - Answer (Son): Audited statements is a decision made by CommunityWise
  + Question (Corrine, SEEDS): Is CommunityWise happy with these auditors?
    - Answer (Jian): Audit cost more than quoted
    - Unclear whether we should continue on with them
* ***Proposal*** *(Corrine, SEEDS): Approve this auditor for now, but also put in a proposal to have someone investigate other auditors*
* ***Proposal*** *(Reg Tiangha,* ***reframed****): Appoint Lockhart LLP as auditor until close of 2017 CW AGM dependent on some level of investigation by Finance Committee into other auditors*

In favour: 18

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 1

**Proposal passed**

7. Announce Rent Increase 2017

* Phil and Son explained that rent increase is due to CW taking over payment of utilities that were previously covered by the City of Calgary
* Equity Framework used, taking into account factors that impact groups differently, with all attempts to be equitable (factors used: charitable status; number of staff hours; organizational budget size)
* **Rent Equity Townhall scheduled for Thursday, July 7 at 6pm**
* Question (Greg Lang, JAWS): Clarification that this is only for offices and not common spaces?
  + Answer (Phil): Correct
* Question: Is there a plan to implement incremental increases over time, rather than large amounts at once?
  + Answer (Phil): Yes, this is part of the Finance Committee’s plans
* Question (Mike Simoens, CCGC): Why did the City stop paying for this?
  + Answer (Phil and Son): City paying for utilities dates back to when CommunityWise and Beltine buildings were collectively the YWCA; system now in place for CommunityWise to be invoiced for its share of utilities

8.  Proposal to approve Bylaws 2016

* Tabled to August Board meeting SGM

9.  Acclamation of the new board 7:25

* Board members stepping down:
  + Tove Engebretsen – after 2 years
  + Ginger Carlson – after 2 years
  + Rick McFerrin – after 3 years (full term)
* Returning Board members:
  + Reg Tiangha (Gear Station, Associate Member)
    - 1 year (first term)
  + Susan Bareshinbone (Aboriginal Friendship Centre, Tenant Member)
    - 1 year (first term)
* Curtis Boudreau (SMART Recovery, Associate Member)
  + 4 years (second term)
* Corinne Craig (SEEDS Connections, Tenant Member)
  + 1 year (first term)
* Courtney Robertson (Community Member)
  + 4 years (second term)
* Lori DeLuca (Community Member)
  + 2 years (first term)
* Seth Leon (ACCA, Tenant Member)
  + 3 years (first term)
* Sally Truss (This is My City, Associate Member)
  + 2 years (first term)
* Ernesto Gudino (VCAC, Associate Member
  + 2 years (first term)
* Standing election:
* Carmin Moore (ACT Alberta, Tenant Member)
* Helen Mok (Foothills Library Association, Associate Member)
* Mitiku Wakwaya (Oromo Society Network, Associate Member, absent, Reg read bio)
* Question (Reg Tiangha): Does anyone have any issues if we vote all three standing election today?
  + No issues raised
* ***Proposal****: Carmin Moore, Helen Mok, and Mitiku Wakwaya (absent) appointed to CommunityWise Resource Centre Board of Directors*

Consent: 19

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

**Proposal passed**

10.   Awards ceremony 7:40

* Son and Jian presented awards:
  + **Spirit of the Old Y**: Oromian Community Association of Alberta (in building since 1983)
    - Moe accepted the award and spoke about the organization’s work
  + **Spirit of CommunityWise** (two winners):

1. Calgary Women’s Heath Collective (in building since 1980s)
   * + Kelsi read note sent from the Collective
2. Justice for Palestinians Calgary
   * + Cathy and Mariam accepted award
   * **Active New Tenant Member**: SEEDS Connections
     + Corinne accepted the award
   * **Active New Associate Member**: Refuge Recovery
     + Erin accepted the award
   * **CommunityWise Collaborator Award** (two winners):
3. Beltline Youth Centre (BGCC)

* Sheliza accepted the award

1. Aboriginal Friendship Centre

* Susan accepted the award

11. Announcements 7:50

* ***Proposal*** *(Reg Tiangha)****:*** *to adjourn 2016 CommunityWise AGM at 8:17pm*

Consent: 19

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

**Proposal passed**

12.  Outside to take a photo 7:55

13.  Bingo/ Snacks/ Mingle 8:00 onward