

Regina Public Interest Research Group
Annual General Meeting – Minutes
October 24, 2014
RIC Atrium, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER – 12:33pm

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE CHAIR – Leo Keiser

Moved: Devon Peters

Seconded: Jared Kaye

Carried

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved: Devon Peters

Seconded: Anna Dipple

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Membership approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Annual Report – Presented by Anna Dipple

4.2 Financial Report – Presented by Devon Peters

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Approval of Board of Director minutes for 2013-2014

Moved: Nicole Denbow

Seconded: Maria Aman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Membership approve the RPIRG Board of Directors minutes for 2013-2014.

Carried

5.2 Audited Financial Statements for 2013-2014

Moved: Anna Dipple

Seconded: Ashlyn Higgs

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Membership accepts the presented audited financial statements, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014.

Carried

5.3 Appoint auditor for 2014-2015 fiscal year.

Moved: David Vanderberg

Seconded: Anna Dipple

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Membership appoints Frank Garrett, CMA, to conduct an audit of the financial statements for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2015.

Carried

5.4 Amend Article 3 of the Constitution - Allowing Formatting Changes to the Constitution

Moved: Nicole Denbow

Seconded: Kandra Forbes

WHEREAS making RPIRG's constitution easy to interpret allows students to better engage with the organization

WHEREAS currently, changes to the layout and formatting of the Constitution are not explicitly allowed.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RPIRG's Constitution, Article 3, Section 1 be amended to read;

1. Amendments to the Constitution can be proposed by any RPIRG member in good standing with the Corporation at an AGM or Special General Meeting, provided the amendment proposal follows the rules of order for the meeting. *Changes that don't affect the interpretation of the document (i.e. formatting, layout or grammatical changes) may be made at any time.*

Carried

5.5 Amend Article 9 of the Constitution - Enabling Electronic Voting

Moved: David Vanderberg

Seconded: Ashlyn Higgs

WHEREAS RPIRG's constitution does not clearly state that electronic voting is permitted

WHEREAS certain clauses are unnecessary in the case of electronic voting

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RPIRG's Constitution, Article 9, Section 6.4 & 6.5 be amended to read;

6.4 Ballots must be open for a minimum of one day, in the RPIRG office, not more than forty-eight (48) hours after campaigns close and not less than twenty-four (24) hours. *The RPIRG Board may choose to use electronic or paper ballots.* Ballots shall be secret, and the ballot box (if

paper ballots are used), shall be under supervision by an impartial party. Only RPIRG members in good standing with the Corporation are allowed one vote

6.5 Ballots will be counted by an impartial party, appointed by the RPIRG Board. Each Candidate may provide one scrutineer who is permitted to watch the counting of the ballots. The RPIRG Board ~~will~~ *may* appoint one scrutineer. Each candidate may demand one recount of the ballots within twenty-four hours (24) of the first counting of the ballots.

Carried

5.6 Amend Article 7 of the Constitution – Advertise General Meetings in the Carillon

Moved: Nicole Denbow
Seconded: Asha Kerr-Wilson

WHEREAS the Non-Profit Corporations Act of Saskatchewan states that advertisement of a general meeting must take place in “a newspaper or newspapers circulated in the municipalities in which the majority of the members of the corporation reside” (Division XI, 125(3)(a)),

BE IT RESOLVED THAT RPIRG’s constitution, Article 7, Section 5 be amended to read;

5.1. Notice shall be given to the general membership of the Corporation by the Board at least twenty-one (21) days prior to a General Meeting by:

5.1.1. notices posted conspicuously around the Regina campus of The University of Regina and other community areas.

5.1.2 *a notice published in The Carillon Newspaper for at least the three consecutive weeks prior to the general meeting*

Carried

6. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Allan Hall

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at: **12:59pm**

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