



ALBERTA LIBRARY
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Alberta Library Trustees' Association Annual General Meeting***

Friday, April 25, 2014 3:15 pm

Tonquin Room, Jasper Park Lodge, AB

1. Vic Mensch, MC and Parliamentarian, called the 2013 ALTA Annual General Meeting to order
 - a. Opening remarks, Welcome ALTA Members, Honorary Lifetime Members, Students & Guests
 - b. Reminder Robert's Rules of Order is in play.
 - c. As a common best practice no paper copies are circulated at the AGM and the documents will appear on the screen in front of the room.
 - d. Note that there was a pre AGM discussion on financials not meant to replace AGM discussion but to respond to details
 - e. One resolution received prior to the Call to Order so the sole resolution circulated to the membership is on the agenda and will be posted on the screen when presented.

Resolutions brought from the floor must be presented in writing in the proper format to the President prior to the Call to Order. The resolution must receive a 2/3 majority vote of members present and voting.
 - f. Please, when speaking to a motion, state your name clearly and the name of your library board for the recording secretary.
 - g. Voting is by a show of hands. If a vote is close, the room is divided into sections and members of the ALTA board are prepared to count hands.

2. Approval of Amended Agenda

Sherrill Johnson moved to approve Agenda. Motion seconded by Stuart McGowan. Carried.

3. Introductions:

Vic Mensch, acknowledged the Honourary Life members present.

- a. ALTA Board of Directors,
 - i. Area 1 Director, Raoul Johnson
 - ii. Area 2 Director, Tanya Pollard & Co-program Chair
 - iii. Area 3 Director, Richard Poole (not present, sent regrets)



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- iv. Area 4 Director, Lois Bedwell (not present, sent regrets)
- v. Area 5, Director, Vic Mensch
- vi. Area 6, Director, Martin Shields, Shortgrass (not present, sent regrets)
- vii. Area 7, Director, Stuart McGowan
- viii. Area 8, Director, Parrish Tung
- ix. Edmonton Public Library Board, Sherrill Johnson
- x. Calgary Public Library Board, Avnish Mehta

4. Approval of Minutes of 2013 Annual General Meeting

Larry Tiedemann moved the approval of the 2013 AGM Minutes, seconded by Stuart McGowan. Carried.

5. No Business arising from the Minutes

6. ALTA Awards:

The following awards were presented:

Award of Excellence presented to Yellowhead County Library

Honourary Life Member Award presented to Nina Kencis, Yellowhead County Library Board

Lois Hole Award Swan Hills Municipal Library Board

Retiring Board Members

President *Dwight Nagel*

Area 1 *Elaine Garrow*

Area 4 *Diane Osberg*

Area 6 *Martin Shields*

CPL *Deirdre Harris*

7. President Report, Dwight Nagel

ALC-Program Co-Chair, Tanya Pollard

The 2015 ALC Submission deadline is July. More sessions for Trustees is encouraged!

Executive Director's Report, Heather Mayor

8. Resolutions

Bylaw Amendments presented by Laura Ross-Giroux



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Change the recording secretary to Executive Director

President term increase to 2 year term, with an extension of an additional 2 years. This is the same as current structure for all ALTA Area Directors on the Board.

Motion by Laura Ross-Giroux to accept the bylaw changes, seconded by Parrish Tung.

Discussion. Request to correct these new changes on the ALTA website.

Motion by Laura, seconded by Stuart. CARRIED

Special Resolution brought forth by Kelly Aisenstat,

Supporting Statement:

The Municipal Government Act (MGA) is the legislative framework in which all municipalities and the municipal entities across the province of Alberta operate. Within this act, there are provisions for the municipal governments to use off-site levies, or municipal development fees, to fund the growth in facilities needed to provide municipal services. In Alberta, off-site levies may not be used to fund libraries. Refer to Municipal Government Act, 648 (1) and (2).

The Alberta government is reviewing the MGA currently and notes that 'organizations wishing to submit a report or formal recommendations for the municipal Government Act are encourages to send documents by June 13, 2014.' ALTA should submit the following resolution as a formal recommendation for amending the MGA.

Resolution: Now therefore be it resolved that the Alberta Library Trustees' Association request that the Government of Alberta amend Section 648(2) of the municipal Government Act to permit off-site levies to be used for additional municipal facilities, including new or expanded library facilities, in order to fully serve and complete new communities.

Motion by Kelly Aisenstat, seconded by Dallas Degenhardt. Opposed.

Discussion. Laura Ross-Giroux had discussed off site levies with the Minister of Municipalities, though he encouraged library boards to try to secure this money, each municipality will decide where this money goes, it is up to their discretion. Further it was suggested this money will be allocated to priority services; roads, drainage and the like. If we pursue this money there is a great chance we may not receive any of it as it will be allocated to essential services. Further, if money is received it maybe a one-time payout and possibly risk the current allocation of money Library Boards receive annually.

Amendment by Patricia McQuarrie, change motion to "consolidated libraries". Opposed

9. 2013 Financial Review by Kouri* Berezan *Heinrichs, Chartered Accountants.

Presented by Avnish Mehta



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Stuart McGowan moved to approve the 2013 Financial Review, second Laura Ross-Giroux. Carried.

Stuart made a motion to secure the services of KBH Chartered Accountants for 2014 ALTA Financial Review. Motion seconded by Parrish Tung, CARRIED.

1. Election of Officers:

ALTA nominates half of the slate every year to ensure continuity on the Board. This year the odd numbered areas. In addition we have one mid-term Director stepping down and another resigned to run for the President's position. As there was only one nomination for each area, no vote was required.

Voted in by Acclamation: (highlighted)

President Laura Ross-Giroux		2014-2016
Area 1, Raoul Johnson,	(Peace)	2014-2015
Area 2, Dr. Tanya Pollard	(Yellowhead)	2014-2016
Area 3, Richard Poole,	(Parkland)	2013-2015
Area 4 Lois Bedwell,	(Marigold)	2014-2016
Area 5, Vic Mensch,	(Chinook)	2014-2015
Area 6, Marj James	(Shortgrass)	2014-2016
Area 7, Stuart McGowan,	Metro	2013-2015
Area 8, Parrish Tung	(Northern Lights)	2014-2016
CPL, Avnish Mehta		
EPL, Sherrill Johnson		

Introducing 2014 ALTA President: Laura Ross-Giroux

Opening address presented by New ALTA President

The Parliamentarian, Vic Mensch announced the 2014 ALTA Reception

12. **Adjournment**

Tanya Pollard made a motion to adjourn the AGM. Seconded by Stuart. Carried.



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