Nova Scotia Wild Flora Society

Annual General Meeting 2018 Year

Minutes (Draft 1)

Monday April 22, 2019

Nova Scotia Museum of Natural History

Present:

Ron Arsenault, Sean Blaney, Charlie Cron (Pres), Heather Drope Marchione (Bd), Sunetra Ekanayake, Chris Fairbrother, Louise Gass, Mary Kennedy, Mary Macaulay (Sec), Bob McDonald, Wendy McDonald, Beth McGee, Shirley McIntyre (Bd) LH Paris (Bd), David Patriquin (Bd), Burkhard Plache, Eve Proctor, Keith Vaughan, Rachelle Watts (Bd)

Regrets:

Caitlin Porter (Bd), Marion Sensen (Bd), Rachelle Watts (Bd)

- 1. President Charlie Cron called meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
- 2. Approval of 2018 Year AGM Agenda

Moved by Heather Drope Marchione, seconded by Shirley McIntyre to accept the 2018 Year AGM agenda. Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes of 2017 Year AGM.

Moved by David Patriquin, seconded by Shirley McIntyre to accept the 2017 Year AGM Minutes. Carried.

4. 2018 Year Membership Report presented by LH Paris. Summary as of October 31, 2018 cut off date:

39 memberships with 13 being new. 30 individual, 9 family. 2 also paid for membership in Nature Nova Scotia. 2018 memberships are significantly up over the previous year (11 more in 2018 than 2017).

Moved by Heather Drope Marchione, seconded by Mary Macaulay to accept the 2018 Year Membership Report. Carried. 5. 2018 Year Financial Report presented by Shirley McIntyre. Summary:

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Balance Sheet – Assets $1,484.01 Bank Balance
Income Statement –
Income:
Membership Fees $770
Expenses:
Room Rental & Joint Stocks - $264.08;
Speaker expenses - $75;
Nature Nova Scotia - $120,
Total Expenses – $459.08
Surplus – $310.92
Balance Dec. 31, 2017 - $1113.09
Balance Dec. 31, 2018 - $1,484.01
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Moved by Shirley McIntyre, seconded by Bob McDonald to accept the 2018 Year Financial Report. Carried.

6. 2018 Year President's Report

Charles Cron welcomed the group, thanked the board and volunteers and reported that speakers and field trips, were excellent in 2018. He reported that the Society held six regular meetings and two extra outdoor meetings. Additionally the BOD held two in person meetings with the rest of the organizing tasks done via email. He added that there are several exciting adventures already planned for 2019 and invited all to participate if possible.

Moved by Charlie Cron, seconded by David Patriquin to accept the 2018 Year President's Report. Carried.

7. Election of 2019 Board Members by acclamation

Slate of Board Members presented by Keith Vaughan as delegated by Marion Sensen in absentia: Marion Sensen (Past Pres)

Charlie Cron Heather Drope Bob Kennedy Mary Macaulay Shirley McIntyre Anne Mills LH Paris David Patriquin Caitlin Porter Rachelle Watts

Moved by Keith Vaughan, seconded by Sunetra Ekanayake to accept the 2019 Slate of Board Members. Carried.

- 8. New Business:
 - Mary Kennedy requested Halifax members sign up with iNaturalist (inaturalist.org) for the 2019 City Nature Challenge.
 - Wendy McDonald shared that an announcement by the Federal government on further protection of Blue Mountain Birch Cove is pending.
 - Ron Arsenault shared that thanks in large part to MP Bill Casey, Isle Haute will become federally protected as a National Wildlife Area.
- 9. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn at 8:05 p.m. moved by Heather Drope, seconded by Charlie Cron