2023 Annual Meeting Minutes - DRAFT



Annual Meeting of the Society

HSNS Board of Directors
June 15, 2023 – 5:15 pm
Fiscal Year April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024
In person

| <u>Timeline:</u> | |
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| 5:15-5:30 | Presentation of retirement gifts: Scott Barnett, Paula Sibley-Fox, Tammy Manning, Emma Logan, |
| | Megan Tonet (photos to be taken of retirees) |
| 5:30-6:00 | Dinner |
| 6:00-6:30 | Annual Board Meeting (starting with Auditor's presentation) |
| 6:30-7:30 | Regular board meeting |

Board of Directors

| Barnett, Scott (Chair) | | Logan, Emma | R | Noronha, Adline | V |
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| Haley, Matthew | Р | Manning, Tammy | Р | Rizzetto, Maria | Р |
| Kiefte, Michael | Р | Marchand, Josette | R | Sibley-Fox, Paula (Sec-Treasurer) | Р |
| Kujath, Magdalena | Р | Mason-Browne, Anne (CEO) | Р | Tonet, Megan | ٧ |
| Landy, Mark (Vice Chair) | Р | Moore, Gordon | ٧ | | |
| | | | | McKenna, Lynn – Admin Assistant | |

Guests: Dr. Greg Noel, Director of Adult and Mi'kmaq Hearing and Speech Services

Dr. Sharon Walker, Director of Pediatric and Autism Hearing and Speech Services

Mr. Bob Kolanko, Director of Finance and Operations

Mr. Graham Sweett, Lyle Tilley Davidson

Present: (P) Videoconference: (V) Regrets: (R) Absent: (A)

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm by the Chair. A quorum was established. Mr. Barnett welcomed all assembled.
- 2. Presentation of retirement gifts: Mr. Barnett thanked Ms. Sibley-Fox, Ms. Manning, Ms. Logan, and Ms. Tonet for their years of dedicated service with the Board and presented those in attendance with their gifts. Ms. Manning thanked Mr. Barnett for his tremendous efforts with the board and presented him with his gift. Mr. Scott acknowledged Ms. McKenna's retirement and thanked her for her support to the Board for over ten years. Ms. Mason-Browne thanked the retiring board members for their significant contributions to development of HSNS over the years of their terms.

3. Approval of agenda

MOTION: THAT the Board of Directors approve agenda. It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

4. Auditor's Presentation: an overview presentation of the Auditors Report on the audited Financial Statements for the year ending March 31, 2023, was given by Mr. Graham Sweett.Q: Why was the contingent liability put back in?

A: It is an ongoing case and there has been some recent activity in the past year so we thought it was prudent to disclose that this is an outstanding item. We do not know what the settlement might be but we have a plan to cover it in the coming year.

At this point Mr. Sweett and Mr. Purvis left the meeting.

5. Approval of minutes, June 16, 2022

MOTION: THAT the Board of Directors approve the June 16, 2022, minutes as circulated. It was moved and seconded. Motion carried.

6. Approval of the Audited Financial Statement for 2022-2023

MOTION: THAT the Board of Directors approve the Audited Financial Statement as presented by Lyle Tilley Davidson, Mr. Graham Sweett. It was moved. Motion carried.

7. Appointment of Auditors for 2023-2024

The Finance and Investment Committee met on May 29, 2023. The Committee recommended that the Board retain the services of Lyle Tilley Davidson.

It was requested that the audited financial statement be made available to the Board members prior to the next Annual Meeting for review.

MOTION: THAT the Board of Directors approve that Lyle Tilley Davidson be retained as HSNS' auditors for the fiscal year of 2023-2024. It was moved. Motion carried.

8. Report of the Nominating Committee

- The following names were submitted to serve as directors for 2023-2024 (see Nominating Committee Annual Report attached)
- **MOTION 8.1:** THAT the Board of Directors approve the proposed **Slate of Directors** for 2023-2024 as submitted. It was moved. Motion carried.
- **MOTION 8.2:** THAT the Board of Directors approve the appointment of the **Nominating Committee** for 2023-2024, as submitted. It was moved. Motion carried.

9. Adjournment

It was moved for adjournment at 6:17 pm.

| Recorded by: _ | hypor McLenna | Approved by: |
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