



Canadian Society for Organic Urban Land Care Annual General Meeting March 2nd, 2021

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Sundaura Alford- Purvis, Astrid Muschalla, Christine Easnshaw, Layla Didmon, Christina Nikolic, David Greig, Julia Dupuis, Chris Morrison, Nick Johnson, Michael Hermary, Reem Itani, Paulina Ancona. Quorum achieved.

1. Call to order - recognition of First Nations and Indigenous lands we are each on to begin the meeting

(link to a native land map on the SOUL soil and land resource page.

https://organiclandcare.ca/resources_soil

Direct link here: <https://native-land.ca/>

2. Approval of 2012 Minutes MH made the motion to approve , 2nd NJ, approved.

3. Approval of 2021 Agenda CM made the motion to approve, 2nd JD, approved.

4. Reports

a) Annual Report by Executive Director – **SAP** stated that the report is here:

<https://organiclandcare.ca/resources/Documents/AGM%20Materials/2021%20AGM%20Executive%20Directors%20report.pdf>

b) Membership and Public Engagement committee (**JD and SAP**) Of note is that public membership has doubled since the equity series began. 2020 growth reported as: 3 new APs, Advocate membership 8, new members, 84 new Public members. Total current and active 61.

c) Treasurer's report – MH stated that the reports as of Dec. 31, 2020 are here:

<https://organiclandcare.ca/resources/Documents/AGM%20Materials/2020%20year%20end%20with%20previous%20years%20updated.pdf>

Election of Directors – David Grieg has resigned. Thank you, David Grieg for your 2-term contribution to SOUL – there is a void felt already.

No nominations. Minimum of 3 and maximum of 13 board members. Motion made by MH to name the standing members to be elected to the board. CM 2nd. Approved.

5. Call for motion to: Classify Accredited Practitioners and Certified Professional members as Class A Members and Public Members, Supporting Members and Land Care Advocates as Class B Members.

Please see Membership Conditions, on page 3 of the [SOUL bylaws](#) for the definition of Class A and Class B Members.

DISCUSSION: lifetime members to be included in the voting category. Public members can sit on the board. How does a public member become a voting member? – Become an AP.

No problems drawing on public members or other to join committees.

JD made the motion and AM 2nd – unanimously passed.

6. **Call for motion to: Hold next AGM on Tuesday, March 1st, 2022 at 7:30pm Eastern / 4:30 Pacific time**
MH moved and NJ seconded. Passed.

7. **Call for a motion to: Waive the requirement for a Public Accountant to prepare financial statements for the next year.** (A financial compilation will be prepared by the treasurer and staff and made available to members as per the Canadian federal Not-For-Profit Act.)
DG moved and CM seconded. Passed.

8. **Call for new business:** MH made the motion to nominate David Grieg as lifetime member for his service to SOUL. 2nd AM. Approved.

9. **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9pm EST made by JD and MH 2nd – approved.