

# Canadian Society for Organic Urban Land Care Annual General Meeting March 3, 2020



## MINUTES

Meeting began on time at 7:35 pm EST or 4:30 pm Pacific

**Attendance: Voting Members:** Michael Hermary MH – Duncan, Sundaura Alford-Purvis SA – Ottawa, Rochelle Eisen RE, Nick Johnson NJ - Calgary, Astrid Muschalla AM – Kingston, Julia Dupuis JD, Chris Morrison CM – Fergus.

**QUORUM of 10% reached.**

### 1. Recognition of the First Nations land we each are on

Michael Hermary MH – Duncan (*Lekwungen/ Songhees land*), Sundaura Alford-Purvis SA – Ottawa (*Algonquin, Huron/Wendat, Mohawk, Anishinabewaki, Iroquois land*), Rochelle Eisen - (*Sylx Tmix land*), Nick Johnson NJ, Calgary (*Sequida land*), Astrid Muschalla AM – Kingston (*Haudenosaunee and Onondaga land*), Julia Dupuis JD – Missouri (*Sioux , Osage land*), Chris Morrison CM – Fergus (*6 Nations - Haudenosaunee, Odawa, Anishinabewaki land*).

### 2. Approval of 2019 Minutes

RE moved to accept

-2<sup>nd</sup> AM

CARRIED

### 3. Approval of 2020 Agenda - New Business from Membership/Certification Committee

JD moved to accept with the amendment and approve agenda

-2<sup>nd</sup> CM

CARRIED

### 4. Reports

- a. Annual Report by Executive Director SA – go to link: Application to Trillium will have results for us in June. Random Hacks of Kindness – connecting local resources with local users to be started in Ottawa area shortly.  
<https://organiclandcare.ca/resources/Documents/AGM%20Materials/Executive%20Director%20Annual%20Report%20for%202020%20AGM.pdf>
- b. Membership Report – SA  
Exam Applications ( 2 )  
Active members ( 48 )
- c. Treasurers Report by MH – go to link:  
<https://organiclandcare.ca/resources/Documents/AGM%20Materials/Financial%20Statement%20for%202020%20AGM.pdf>  
Corrections: - 2010 first line not correct

- Income/expense – remove 2018 from heading in column
- net change for the year to be added for Dec 2019
- Website hosting has gone up quite a bit and needs double checking
- Changes need to be made and to be approved at the next board meeting before being submitted.

RE – motion to approve the financial report as presented in principal pending corrections noted above.

NJ 2<sup>nd</sup>

Carried

## 5. Election of Directors

All positions are held vacant at the end of the year. The following have agreed to stand, with thanks.

MH – motion to nominate and accept all board members for re-election as it stands here:

Director	Office	Agreed to Stand
Michael Hermary	Treasurer	Yes
Astrid Muschalla	Secretary	Yes
Nick Johnson	Director at Large	Yes
Chris Morrison	President	Yes
David Greig	Vice-President	Yes
Julia Dupuis	Director at Large	Yes

JD -2<sup>nd</sup>

CARRIED

## 6. Next AGM date

AM - Moved to hold next AGM on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:30 EST / 4:30 Pacific

CM -2<sup>nd</sup>

CARRIED

## 7. Public Accountant

Since SOUL does not issue charitable donation receipts, SOUL is exempt from the requirement for a Public Accountant to prepare financial statements for the next year. A financial compilation will be prepared by the treasurer with staff and made available to members as per the Canadian Federal Not-For-Profit Act.

MH - Moved to waive the requirement for a Public Accountant to prepare financial statements for the next year.

RE -2<sup>nd</sup>

CARRIED

## 8. Call for New Business

a) SOUL's policy states that you have to write the Accreditation exam within 2 years of taking the Organic Master Gardener course. The membership/certification committee recommends that this be amended as such:

Motion to add to the policy as follows....

Any person who is in current studies for achieving the Organic Land Care Diploma, or equivalent, would be allowed to write the SOUL accreditation exam within 3 years of completing the required education.

AM moved to accept

RE 2<sup>nd</sup>

CARRIED

## 9. Adjournment

MH - Motion to adjourn at 8:08 pm

AM -2<sup>nd</sup>

CARRIED