



GREATER VICTORIA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday April 26, 2016

Chamber offices

7:30 – 9:00 am

Al Hasham, Dan Dagg, Frank Bourree, Shaun Cerisano, Carmen Charette, Lise Gyorkos, Patricia Jelinski, Gary Kinar, Sang-Kiet Ly, Mark Mawhinney, Natasha Reger, Mark Smith, Kris Wirk, Troy MacDonald, Captain (Navy) Steve Waddell, John Wilson, Bruce Carter (CEO), Peggy Kulmala (Staff), Cheryl Wirch-Ryckman (Staff).

Regrets: Kathy Khouri

1. Approval of the agenda

Motion to approve April agenda

Moved by Mark Smith

Seconded by Carmen Charette

Carried

2. Approval of March minutes

Motion to approve March minutes

Moved by Carmen Charette

Seconded by Troy MacDonald

Carried

3. Approval of March Financials

Motion to approve March financials

Moved by Dan Dagg

Seconded by Frank Bourree

Carried

4. Chair's remarks

John Wilson congratulated on The Chamber's 2016 Business Person of the Year.

Staff commended on 2016 Award Ceremony

5. CEO Search Update

Chair of Search Committee updated board on process. 72 responses from across Canada. Initial vet down to 17, shortlisted 4. Interviewed 3, one withdrew. Committee expect to present its recommended individual to board on May 12.

6. Committee/TF Reports

a. Governance

i. Bylaw Changes Approval

Update from `review engagement` to audit under Treasurer's Responsibilities under 5.3

Motion to that the board recommend the membership approve the attached bylaw amendments as amended

Moved by Frank Bourree

Seconded by Dan Dagg
Carried

- ii. Appointment Liquid Waste Advisory Committee

Motion to appoint Chamber CEO to Committee Appointment Liquid Waste Advisory Committee effective immediately

Moved by Dan Dagg

Seconded by Patricia Jelinski

Carried, one opposed

- iii. Board Election Consideration

Update to include past president end-of-term

- b. Policy and Government Affairs

- i. Policies for approval:

- Georgia Strait National Marine Conservation Area Reserve
- Public Investment in BC Ferries' Infrastructure

Motion to approve both policies as presented

Moved Mark Mawhinney

Seconded Gary Kinar

Carried

- c. Finance and Audit

- i. Approve budget amendments

Western Diversification funding cannot be moved to new organization. Budget amendment to reflect revenues and expenses Apr to Dec 2016. Western Diversification project ends March 31, 2017, and related costs and expenses will be incorporated into next year's budget.

Motion to accept budget amendment

Moved Sang-Kiet Ly

Seconded Kris Wirk

Carried

- 7. Economic Development –Letter of Agreement with new organization around delivery of Western Diversification program. Continue to regularly meet with new Ex Dir. Chair in Place.

- 8. CEO remarks

- a. BC Chamber has new interim CEO.

- b. Business Awards great success. Would like larger venue; VCC costs not feasible

- c. Upcoming Events

- i. May 10 – AGM, have quorum
- ii. June 7 - Departure of CEO, open to all members

- d. Tent City/Homelessness –Hearing from high number of members who are appreciative of Chamber's public stance. Chamber will continue to work behind the scenes, and – recognizing publicity's

potential negative impact of businesses – will only proactively engage media if absolutely necessary.
Tourism Victoria representative reports anecdotally that tourists are saying they will not come back.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Esquimalt Chamber.

Chair met Esquimalt representative. Esquimalt Chamber remains interested. Greater Victoria Chamber waits for Esquimalt formal request to start negotiations/transition.

Motion to adjourn

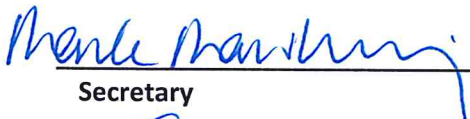
Moved Patricia Jelinski

Seconded Lise Gyorkos

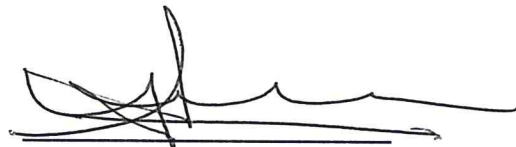
Carried

10. NEXT MEETING:

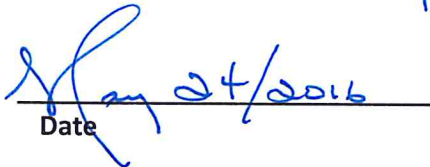
- a. May 12 at 8 a.m. (Chemistry Consulting)



Secretary



Chair



Date

