

Business Improvement Areas of British Columbia
AGM – May 4, 2022
Executive Plaza Hotel
405 North Road, Coquitlam

Minutes

Present BIABC Board: Lynn Allin (Downtown Penticton BIA), Jeff Bray (Downtown Victoria Business Association), Bonnie Burnside (Downtown Surrey BIA), Angela Evans (Collingwood BIA), Isabel Kolic (Heights Merchants Association), Teri Smith (West End BIA), Peter Vaisbord (City of Vancouver), Colleen Van Mook (Downtown Prince George BIA). **Additional Members:** Karen Beaubier (Uptown Rutland BIA), Miriam Bozman (Mission Downtown Business Association), Jennifer Broadwell (Salmon Arm Downtown Improvement Association), Mark Burley (Downtown Kelowna Association), Tracey Clarke (Downtown Courtenay BIA), Haeley Dewhirst (Comox Business in Action), Tammy Frankford (Parksville Downtown Business Association), Carley Graham (Leduc Downtown Business Association), Rania Hatz (Cambie Village Business Association), Jeremy Heighton (Kamloops North Shore BIA), Teri James (Downtown Langley Business Association), Kemdra Johnston (Downtown New Westminster BIA), Monique Koningstein (Victoria Drive BIA), Lisa Landry (Austin Heights BIA), Heather Leary (Oak Bay BIA), Trevor McDonald (Downtown Chilliwack BIA), Jennifer McKinnon (Downtown Port Coquitlam BIA), Carolyn Oraziatti (Burnaby North Road BIA), Howie Reimer (Kamloops Central BIA), Sherry Yonkman (Williams Lake Central BIA)

Secretary: Lori Baxter (BIABC)

1. **Welcome:** The meeting was called to order with Teri Smith in the Chair.
2. **Presidents Introduction:** Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the current BIABC board.
3. **Approval of AGM Minutes May 26, 2021:** Burnside moved. Evans seconded.
CARRIED
4. **Report of Directors:** Smith referred the members to the annual report distributed to all members and available on the BIABC website. She indicated it continues to be challenging times and thanked members for their support. BIABC continued its advocacy efforts on behalf of members. Particular issues include community wellness and fair taxation.
5. **Review of 2021 Financial Statements:** In the absence of the Treasurer, Lori Baxter presented the Notice to Reader financial statements for 2021, prepared by Nelson Alvarez of Alvarez and Co. The year represented a return to a more financial situation with conference registrations and membership fees making up the bulk of the Society's revenue. A small surplus on the year is a start to replenishing the reserves depleted by the 2020 deficit. The financial statements were received for information.

6. **Appointment of Accountant to do a Notice to Reader 2022:** On behalf of the board, Baxter proposed to keep Nelson Alvarez and Co. as the firm to prepare the year end statements for 2022.

Bray moved. Heighton seconded. **CARRIED**

7. **Nomination and Election of Board Members:**

On behalf of the Nominations Committee, Lynn Allin presented the following slate to the membership.

Board Members to be Elected

Mark Burley, Downtown Kelowna Association	1 st year, 1 st term
Gavin Duffus, Downtown Vancouver BIA	1 st year, 1 st term
Teri James, Downtown Langley BIA	1 st year, 1 st term
Jeremy Heighton, Kamloops North Shore	1 st year, 1 st term
Laurey-Anne Roodenberg, West Quesnel BA	1 st year, 3 rd term
Colleen Van Mook, Downtown Prince George BIA	1 st year, 3 rd term

Continuing Board Members – no election needed

Philip Aguirre, Newton BIA	2 nd year, 2 nd term
Patricia Barnes, Hastings North BIA	2 nd year, 2 nd term
Pam Bottomley, Parksville Downtown BA	2 nd year, 1 st term
Jeff Bray, Downtown Victoria BA	2 nd year, 2 nd term
Bonnie Burnside, Downtown Surrey BIA	2 nd year, 4 th term
Isabel Kolic, Heights Merchants Association	2 nd year, 3 rd term
Teri Smith, West End BA	2 nd year, 3 rd term
Peter Vaisbord, City of Vancouver	ex officio
Catherine Lee, Ministry of Municipal Affairs	ex officio

There being no objections, the slate was accepted by acclamation.

Smith recognized and thanked outgoing Board members Lynn Allin and Angela Evans. Peter Vaisbord was also recognized as his retirement will occur mid-term and this is therefor his last AGM.

8. **Other:**

Smith thanked everyone for attending the AGM.

9. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.