

LGANT

Annual General Meeting – October 5, 2017

MINUTES

1. Welcoming Remarks by President

2. Approval of Amended Agenda

Suggested change to the agenda: Switch item 11 and 12 to have elections at the end.

Moved by Fred Behrens
Seconded by Larry Baran
Carried

Motion to approve the 2017 AGM agenda
Moved by Mike Rudkin
Seconded by Sheila Bassi-Kellett
Carried

Quorum confirmed by Eric Bussey

3. Adoption of 2017 AGM Minutes

Motion to accept 2017 AGM Minutes
Moved by Bill Bennett
Seconded by Lisa Nitsiza
Carried

4. Presentation of the 2016-2017 Audited Financial Statements

Grant Hood presented an overview of the audited financial statements for 2016/17 and reported that LGANT's finances were managed properly and are in order. The greatest challenge facing the Association is fiscal sustainability with the reductions over the last two years in the Public Service Capacity Initiative funding received from MACA. Members were invited to ask questions but there were none.

Motion to accept the 2016-2017 audited financial statements as presented
Moved by Larry Baran
Seconded by Bill Bennett
Carried

5. Presentation of the 2017-2018 Budget approved by the Board of Directors

Grant Hood presented the 2017-2018 budget for members' information but noted the budget does not require approval of the general membership under the terms of LGANT's Constitution; the Board makes this decision due to the timing of the fiscal year. The President asked for questions on the budget, but none were raised. Grant concluded his presentation by stating the Board's goal has been to keep spending within core funding areas.

There were several general questions raised on matters related to LGANT activities:

Question: Does LGANT have multi-year funding? Eric Bussey responded that the Association maintains a three-year core funding agreement with MACA which just ended as of March 31, 2017 and the department and LGANT are negotiating terms for a new agreement moving forward.

Question: Does LGANT still administer ALGAP? Eric Bussey responded that the Association does not as it is managed by the School of Community Government.

Question: Would LGANT ever consider administering this? Grant Hood responded to this question and noted in a meeting with the MACA Minister from 5 months ago she asked if LGANT wanted to take this over. Grant informed her that it was not a priority for LGANT given our level of resources so the Association was not interested at this time. He further noted that LGANT's Board of Directors would have to give this issue a lot of consideration as it would be a lot of work which we are not currently funded for but this idea could be opened up for general discussion if it was felt the idea had merit.

Question: There was a question on the budget of \$25,000 for the LGA Handbook. Grant Hood answered that LGANT was continuing work to enhance materials for the workshop format of LGA Essentials and work is also underway to develop materials for moving the course to an on-line learning platform.

6. President's Report

Grant Hood referred members to the copy of his President's Report in the Conference binder and invited questions or comments. No questions or comments were raised by members.

7. Annual Report

Grant Hood referred members to the copy of the Association's Annual Report in the Conference binder and invited questions or comments. No questions or comments were raised by members.

8. LGANT Bursary Recipient presentation on 2017 CAMA Conference

Mike Rudkin made a presentation on his attendance at the 2017 CAMA conference as LGANT's recipient of its CAMA bursary. Mike shared his perspective on attending the national conference and spoke on conference highlights. He felt he benefitted from attending and recommended other LGANT members consider attending the conference in the future. Mike close by thanking the LGANT Board of Directors for approving his application for this year's bursary.

9. LGANT Recipient of the 2017 Outstanding SAO Award

Grant Hood announced Ruby Jumbo, Band Manager - Somba K'e, as the 2017 recipient of LGANT's Outstanding LGA of the Year Award. Grant highlighted Ruby's accomplishments which supported her nomination and selection by the Board of Directors as this year's winner.

10. LGANT 2017/2022 Strategic Plan

Grant Hood delivered a Power Point Presentation as an overview of the Association's 2017/2022 Strategic Plan which was approved by the Board of Directors in February, 2017 for presentation to the general membership at this year's AGM. The Strategic Plan will be posted to the LGANT website for members' future reference.

11. Appointment of an Auditor for the 2017-2018 fiscal year

Grant Hood informed members of the results of the Board's Request for Proposals for providing audit services for the next two years. Three proposals were received; all met with the requirements of the Association and all were in a similar cost range. The Board recommended retaining the current auditor, Avery Cooper and Company, because there were no significant variances among the proposals received.

Motion to retain Avery Cooper and Company as LGANT's Auditor for 2017/18 & 2018/19 fiscal years

Moved by Fred Behrens

Seconded by Mike Rudkin

Carried

12. New Business

Consideration for Changes to LGANT' Bylaws was raised and three memoranda discussing each amendment were presented to provide background. The memoranda presented information and background on a new Category of Regular Membership, as well as a new Category of Corporate Membership and its subsequent membership fees.

There was some discussion on amending the Bylaws and questions from the floor on whether any thought was given into other models? There was a review of the categories of membership, including corporate memberships, within similar non-

government organizations in the NWT and in other parts of Canada and the recommendations contained in the memoranda presented at this meeting were in line with the findings of this review, there was more discussion on other alternatives and there was Consensus that further thought is needed prior to making changes so more work will be undertaken on possible changes to LGANT's Bylaws for consideration during the 2018 AGM.

13. Board Election

Grant Hood introduced this agenda item by informing the membership that this year's Board of Directors require election of all positions; with two year terms for the President, Vice President and Treasurer, and one year terms for the three Director positions. The three Director positions include one from group A, one from group B, and one from either group A or B. He then asked the Executive Director to report on any nominations received prior to the nomination deadline.

Eric Bussey advised that written nominations were received for Grant Hood as President, Fred Behrens as Vice President, and Larry Baran as Treasurer. He also informed the membership that nominations could now be received from the Floor but the nominee would have to agree to have their name stand for election.

Grant Hood asked LGANT's Executive Director to assume the chair for the first round of elections for the position of President. Eric Bussey Floor opened to Nominations for President but there were no further nominations from the Floor.

Motion to close nominations
Moved by Fred Behrens
Seconded by Bill Bennett
Carried

Grant Hood, incumbent President, acclaimed as President

Motion to open nominations for Vice-President, Group B
Moved by Bill Bennett
Seconded by Lisa Nitsiza

Mike Rudkin nominated by Ruby Jumbo

Motion to close nominations
Moved by Judal Dominicata
Seconded by Bill Bennett

Mike Rudkin of Fort Liard, elected as Vice President

Motion to open nominations for Treasurer

Moved by Bill Bennett

Seconded by Mike Rudkin

Larry Baran of Behchoko nominated by Bill Bennett

Shelia Bassi-Kellett nominated by Mike Rudkin

With Sheila's nomination, Larry withdrew his name for election

Motion to close nominations

Moved by Bill Bennett

Seconded by Larry Baran

Sheila Bassi-Kellett elected as Treasurer

Motion to open nominations for Director from Group A

Moved by Mike Rudkin

Seconded by Fred Behrens

Written nomination submitted for Catherine Mallon. Members were informed Catherine had indicated she was interested in sitting on the Board for another term.

Motion to close nominations

Moved by Judy Goucher

Seconded by Bill Bennett

Catherine Mallon elected as Director from Group A

Motion to open nominations from Group B

Moved by Mike Rudkin

Seconded by Sheila Bassi-Kellett

Mike Rudkin nominated Fred Behrens

Lisa Nitsiza nominated Tammy Neal

Motion to close nominations

Moved by Mike Rudkin

Seconded by Morag MacPherson

Fred Behrens elected as Director from Group B

Motion to open nominations for Member at Large

Moved by Mike Rudkin

Seconded by Fred Behrens

Sheila Bassi-Kellett nominated Judy Goucher
Susan Christie nominated Bill Bennett but he declined.

Judel Dominicata moved to close nominations
Seconded by Bill Bennett

Judy Goucher elected as Member at Large

Re-elected President Grant Hood thanked Larry Baran and Bill Bennett as outgoing Board members for their time, common sense and willingness to speak their minds during their terms. Their service to the Association and their colleagues across the NWT was acknowledged and greatly appreciated.

14. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Robert Moretti at 3:30 p.m.