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## MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: June 27, 2020

Location: Online via Zoom

1. Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM.
2. JB Bell, President served as the presiding officer.
3. Confirmation of quorum: 32 members in good standing in attendance at 7:20 pm.
4. Motion to adopt the Meeting Standing Rules
  - Moved by Ranil Prasad and seconded by Katie Marshall
  - Adopted unanimously as circulated
5. Approval of the agenda
  - Moved by Teale Phelps Bondaroff and seconded by Adam Highway
  - Adopted unanimously as circulated
6. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM
  - Moved by Ellen Ramsay and seconded by Katie Marshall
  - Adopted unanimously as circulated
7. Receive the 2019 financial report from Colin Crabbe (Treasurer)
  - Report received as circulated
8. Receive any other director's report
  - Verbal reports received from Dan Hanna, Katie Marshall, Ranil Prasad, JB Bell, and Ian Bushfield (Executive Director)
9. Election of new directors
  - Elected by acclamation: Ranil Prasad, Dan Hanna, Sam Moller, Adam Highway
  - JB Bell and Katie Marshall are continuing into the second year of their two-year terms
10. Special resolution: Directors election bylaw amendment
  - Moved by Adam Highway and seconded by Katie Marshall
  - Adopted unanimously as circulated
11. Motion to adjourn
  - Moved by Katie Marshall and seconded by Murray Bryck
  - Adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm

Minutes prepared by Dan Hanna, edited by Ian Bushfield

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**DRAFT BYLAW AMENDMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION  
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*That the following be inserted:*

**Voting by Electronic Means Outside of a General Meeting**

7.23 The Board may, in its sole discretion from time to time, approve the conduct of a vote of the Members other than at a general meeting. Such a vote may be taken by mail-in ballot or Electronic Means. For each such vote, the Society must provide each Member in good standing with notice in accordance with these Bylaws, which notice must include:

- (a) the text of the resolutions that are the subject of the vote and any other supporting documentation;
- (b) the opening and closing dates for casting a vote; and
- (c) instructions on how Members may cast their vote.

*That Section 8.2 and the heading preceding it be deleted and the following inserted:*

**Nominations for the Board**

8.2 The Board will appoint a Returning Officer to review the eligibility of candidates for election.

8.3 The Returning Officer is ineligible to stand for election.

8.4 Members desiring to stand as candidates for the Board must apply to the Returning Officer for consideration. Applications must include:

- (a) The member's full name;
- (b) The member's email address; and
- (c) A brief statement (under 250 words) to include on the AGM notice on the BCHA's website.

8.5 Applications to stand for the Board must be received at least two weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting. In the event that fewer applications are received than vacancies, the application period will be extended by one week.

8.6 The Returning Officer will place all eligible nominees on the ballot.

#### Election of directors

- 8.7 In the event that there are more candidates than vacancies, the Returning Officer shall oversee an election, as determined by the Board:
- (a) by electronic means prior to the Annual General Meeting;
  - (b) by secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting; or
  - (c) by both electronic means prior to and secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting, where the Returning Officer can ensure that no member may vote more than they are entitled to.
- 8.8 Each voter may vote for up to as many vacancies are available. The candidates receiving the most votes are elected.
- 8.9 Blank ballots and ballots for more candidates than there are vacancies shall be deemed invalid and excluded from the count.
- 8.10 In the event of a tie vote for one vacancy, the winner will be chosen by the Returning Officer drawing lots.

*Renumber Sections 8.3 to 8.15 appropriately.*