EEPSA Annual General Meeting 2017: Thursday, June 29, 5:40 p.m.

Location: **Stanley Park Ecology Society Chair : Jonathan Dyck**

In Attendance :Selina Metcalfe, Bruce Ford, Dylan Rawlyk, Diane Macqueen, Yeelen Merhi, Mathew Van Oostdaun, Teresa Rowley, Nick Townley, Heidi Lessman, Erin Pawikacki, Megan Zeni. Aja Geddes, Kat Vripspmar/Magnuson and Donna Boucher (secretary).

Conference call : Monica Neeson, Ryan Barfoot

1) Welcome - Selina Metcalfe

2) Introductions & Highlights of 2016/2017 - attendees shared their highlights of the past year

3) Adoption of Minutes from 2016 AGM - Selina motioned to adopt the minutes; seconded by Dylan ; Motion carried.

4) Membership Report (Nick Townley) presently EEPSA has 122 members - 99 teachers, 14 student teachers, 2 subscribers, and other associated members. 28 districts are represented. Cariboo-Chilcoltin has the most members. Nick has continued to send out membership renewal reminders and Green Teacher on-line to members.

5) Financial Report (Jasmine Pilling) sent in :

FINANCIAL REPORT

I am reporting on May and June actuals.

As of June 29, 2017, we have **$5,132.85** in our main account

Ed Hammil fund has **$3,262.52**

Expenses in May:

TTOCs costs **$823.18**

Expenses in June:

TTOCs costs **$2,246.70**

Green Teacher magazine **$262.50**

Note:

Expenses submitted to me in the last few days and forwarded to the BCTF but not have been included in the BCTF's accounting are:

1. J. Dyck expenses (flight, car rental, meals) for Conference in Cranbrook Apr. 29-May 2 = **$986.30**

2. Graeme Marshall Kootenay Local Chapter AGM expenses (food and beverage approved in last meeting) = **$166.03**

3. More TTOCs costs to follow as paperwork were not submitted to the BCTF from the school districts

Let me know if you have any questions.

​This is my last report as Treasurer. It was a pleasure and an honour assisting EEPSA​ in the last two years. Have a great Summer!

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Jasmine Pilling​

6) Communications Report (Ryan Barfoot and Dylan Rawlyk ) Dylan reported that the EEPSA website is now updated with bios from executive members. Soon to add more resources sent in by members. Selina will provide some examples of members resources and how it can be used. Ryan reported there have been 100 new members on our twitter. In other news, Ryan has someone working on a new EEPSA logo, with more to be revealed at Sept. meeting.

7) Professional Development Report (Bruce Ford) Bruce gave update - conferences/ workshops from the year were very successful and included:

BCTELA conference in Victoria (Jonathan and Kerri)

GoldRushEd workshop in Barkerville (Selina)

Walking the Talk - winter solstice sharing event at Science World (everyone)

New Teachers Conference in Richmond (Selina, Jonathan, Monica, Teresa)

Classrooms to Communities (Selina) - ongoing development

Place-based Workshop in Chilliwack ( Donna and David Z)

EEPSA/CBEEN Leadership Clinic in Kootenays (Selina, Jonathan, Bruce and Kerri)

Walking the Talk - summer solstice sharing event at Stanley Park (to follow AGM)

On another note, Get Outdoors workshops are still being offered throughout the province and Bruce encouraged everyone to utilize this excellent resource.

Upcoming events :

Super Conference - October 19-20 (Selina)…8 workshops offered by EEPSA members. Register at [www.psasuperconference.ca](http://www.psasuperconference.ca) and find details of each workshop online.

WEEC 2017 (Jonathan and Donna) David Zandvliet is hosting the World Environmental Education Congress in Vancouver Sept 9-15. Abstracts have been reviewed and over 300 presenters are finalizing details for their presentations (mainly round table and poster format). Recent tour of Vancouver Convention Centre where the conference is based with several off-site community partners hosting events. Over 500 registrants so far with more expected. Plenary speakers include David Suzuki, Wade Davis, Elizabeth May, Cuujaaw, Jeanette Armstrong and Tara Cullis. Several EEPSA exec members are attending.

8) Executive Elections

President: Jonathan nominated Selina; seconded by Teresa ; acclaimed

Vice-President: Selina nominated Jonathan; seconded by Bruce; acclaimed

Secretary: Selina nominated Donna; seconded by Heidi ; acclaimed

Treasurer: Jonathan nominated Yeelen; seconded by Selina; acclaimed

Membership Coordinator: Selina nominated Nick, seconded by Monica; acclaimed

Communications Chairperson: Ryan nominated Dylan; seconded by Nick; acclaimed

Pro-D Chairperson: Bruce nominated Heidi, seconded by Jonathan; acclaimed

Jonathan nominated Kerry as a second pro-d chair; seconded by Selina; acclaimed

Members-at-Large: Jonathan nominated Ryan; seconded by Bruce; acclaimed

Selina nominated Teresa; seconded by Nick; acclaimed

Advisory Community Liaison Positions (non-voting): Monica will continue as CBEEN Community Liason; Bruce will be the Metro Van/ EECOM Community Liason

9) Looking forward to 2017/18

1. Goals (Selina Metcalfe) - exec members will review goals and adapt at Sept meeting
2. WEEC 2017 (Sept 9-15)
3. PSA Super Conference (Oct 20-21)

10) Motion to Adjourn at 6:40 pm.

Thanks to Dylan and SPES for hosting the AGM and the success sharing event.