

**Canadian Sheep Federation
Annual General Meeting
Halifax, Nova Scotia
22 November 2016**

Present: Phil Kolodychuk, Harry Elsinga, Chantal Larouche, Joseph Leck, Herman Bouw, Barbara Johnstone-Grimmer, Arlette Seib.

Observers: Andrew Gordanier, Eric Bjergso, Brian Greaves, Virginie Rochet, Robyn Moore, Erin Yaremko, Darlene Stein and Sue Hosford.

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm ADT.

Phil Kolodychuk, CSF Chair, welcomed attendees to the 2016 Canadian Sheep Federation Annual General Meeting.

Declaration of voting members

British Columbia- Barbara Johnstone Grimmer
Saskatchewan – Arlette Seib
Manitoba-Herman Bouw
Nova Scotia – Joseph Leck
New Brunswick – Chantal Larouche
Prince Edward Island – Harry Elsinga

The 2015 AGM Minutes were reviewed.

Business arising from 2015 AGM minutes: The Board briefly discussed the 2015 AGM motion to investigate a 2-tiered fee structure for programs delivered by the CSF, one fee for producers in CSF member provinces and another fee for producers in non-member provinces. During the January 2016 Board of Directors conference call, the Board elected 'to implement a 2-tier price structure for CSF programs where program fees for producers in non-member provinces would be double those for producers in member provinces'. In a motion passed during the September 2016 Board of Directors conference call, the Board elected to 'waive VSFCP fees for existing and newly enrolling producers for the duration of project funding'.

Motion: To approve the minutes from the 2015 Annual General Meeting. Moved by Harry Elsinga; seconded by Arlette Seib. Carried (unanimous).

The audited financial statements for FY 2015-16 were presented and reviewed. The Treasurer elaborated on the statements, including the interfund loan (Note 2) balances in the General fund as a function of previous year's pre-payment on the GF2-AS-034 project, and Note 5.

Motion: To approve the financial statements as presented. Moved by Joseph Leck; seconded by Chantal Larouche. Carried (unanimous).

Motion: To continue to retain Bairstow, Smart and Smith as the CSF accounting firm. Moved by Barbara Johnstone-Grimmer; seconded by Herman Bouw. Carried (unanimous).

The Board reviewed the FY2016-17 Budget approved in August, 2016.

Elections

Motion: Eric Bjergso and Virginie Rochet nominated as scrutineers by Barbara Johnstone-Grimmer; seconded by Herman Bouw.

The following positions were acclaimed:

Chairman	Phil Kolodychuk
Vice-Chairman	Arlette Seib
Treasurer	Barbara Johnstone-Grimmer
Secretary	Joseph Leck

Motion: To destroy the election ballots. Moved by Harry Elsinga; seconded by Joseph Leck. Carried (unanimous).

Re-acclaimed Chair, Phil Kolodychuk, addressed the Board acknowledging that this past year has been challenging for the organization. The hope for this coming year would be to actively engage with producers across the country, with restructuring that would focus on including everyone interested in being part of the organization.

Those in attendance discussed the outcome of the Sustainability Committee meeting held in Halifax November 20th. Andrew Gordanier and Bill McCutcheon were added to the Sustainability Committee at the invitation of the Committee. The meeting summary from this week's meeting will be circulated to the Committee when they are available. The next Committee meeting will be scheduled for early December, with a doodle poll going out on the 25th. A request for restructuring support should be made of AAFC who should have a vested interest in supporting a single national industry.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Harry Elsinga moved the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:08pm ADT.