

Saskatchewan Choral Federation

Annual General Meeting

Saturday, November 4, 2023

Annual General Meeting 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Zoom and In-person

Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

SCF Board: Cynthia Peyson Wahl, Joshua Hendrickson, Britni Shingoose (Marley Duckett, Kelsey Kuz, James Hawn, Chloe Golden, Erich Chang, Megan Kent - online)

Administration: Sheryl Neher (Executive Director), Kayla Stadnick (Program Manager)

In-person: Stacy Allan, Dorianna Holowachuk, Diane Taylor-Neale, Corrine Groff, Meaghan Reynolds, Brendan Dickie, Evanne Wilhelm, Jordan Kornelsen, Jennifer Lang

Online: Lynn Driedger, Ryan Wood, Marcia Mclean, Rebecca Fisher, Alex Rogalski

1. Call to Order and Welcome

Quorum was established and Cynthia Peyson Wahl called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm welcoming those in attendance in person and online.

(The meeting was recorded to ensure we have a complete record of the meeting.)

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: That the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Joshua Hendricksen / Diane Taylor-Neale **Carried**

3. Approval of Minutes of the October 29, 2022 Annual General Meeting

MOTION: That the minutes of the October 29, 2022, Annual General Meeting be approved as presented.

Marley Duckett / Erich Chang **Carried**

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None

5. Reports

(Written reports can be found in the SCF Annual Report for 2022-2023.)

President's Report – Cynthia Peyson Wahl

Cynthia gave a general overview of her report. Pleased to see programming, especially for SYC and ChorFest return to in-person

Executive Director's Report – Sheryl Neher

Sheryl gave an overview of her report and discussed the challenges of the past year, including the relocation of the SCF office. The organization is excited and looking forward to the future and activities planned for the upcoming year.

Nominations Committee Report – James Hawn

James provided information on the current makeup of the Board and positions needing to be filled. Nominations are no longer accepted from the floor of the Annual General Meeting but received in advance and approved by the Board before the AGM.

- Two positions are entering the first year of their term:
 - Cynthia Peyson Wahl (first year as Past President)
 - Marley Duckett (first year as President)
- Two positions are entering the second year of their first term:
 - Britni Shingoose
 - Chloé Golden
- Three people will be stepping off the Board this year having completed their terms:
 - Kelsey Kuz, James Hawn, Joshua Hendricksen
- Two members have agreed to let their name stand for re-election to the Board for a second 2-year term:
 - Erich Chang
 - Megan Kent
- Two members have agreed to let their name stand for election to the Board for a first 2-year term:
 - Rebecca Fisher
 - Jordan Kornelsen

With the departure of the three directors and the addition of two new directors, an election is not required as we will be at a total of 8 directors. The remaining executive positions of President-Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary will be elected or appointed by the new Board at their first meeting.

Another duty of the Nominations Committee is working on the Awards and Recognition Program in place with SCF. More information on the recipients for the 2022-2023 year is available in the printed report. Recipients were:

- Pro Musica – Richard Janzen
- Community Service – Pamela Cochet and Audrey Falk Janzen
- Golden Note (25 years of involvement) – Louella Friesen and Pauline Roth
- University Choral Leadership Awards – Kylan Rioux, U of S and Kiera Eastley, U of R Dr. Dominic Gregorio Award
- Nova Voce Scholarship – Matthew Praksas

Recipients for the 2023-2024 year were announced:

- Pro Musica – Diane Taylor-Neale
- Community Service – Tim Hutchinson
- Golden Note (25 years involvement/singer) – Arlie Neufeld
- Golden Note (25 years involvement/both singer & conductor) – Lynn Driedger
- Outstanding Administrator (in the education systems) – Rayn Wood
- University Choral Leadership Awards are chosen in the spring of each year.

MOTION: That the reports be accepted as presented.

Megan Kent / Jennifer Lang **Carried**

6. Treasurer's Report – Erich Chang

Erich Chang, Treasurer, reviewed the Auditor's Letter and Audited Financial Statements. There were no questions arising from the Treasurer's Report or financial statements.

MOTION: THAT the audited financial statements for 2022/2023 be accepted as presented.
Erich Chang / James Hawn *Carried*

Appointment of the Auditor for 2023-2024

MOTION: THAT the accounting firm of MWC Chartered Professional Accountants be appointed as auditors for the July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024 fiscal year.

Erich Chang / Jennifer Lang *Carried*

7. Ratification of Board Actions

MOTION: THAT the actions of the Board of Directors for the July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023 fiscal year be ratified.

James Hawn / Diane Taylor Neale *Carried*

8. New Business

No new business. Ryan Wood from RJC commented - "Thank you SCF for all your work in music education. It truly helps our students, schools, and communities. They have 103/105 students in the school choir, and over 55 kids joined their traveling choir."

9. Adjournment

MOTION: THAT the 2023 Annual General Meeting be adjourned.

Marcia Mclean *Carried*

The meeting adjourned at 1:36 pm.