

HORSE COUNCIL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
2669 Deacon Street, Abbotsford BC V2S 6H3

Minutes of the **Special General** meeting held Sunday, November 4, 2001 at the Abercorn Inn, Richmond, BC.

Present:	June C LaLonde	Catherine Peare	Joanne Rooke	Bob Rooke
	Ellen Hockley	Isabel Reinertson	Steve Laughlin	Jane James
	Benita Estes	Kathleen Worth	Dennis Waller	Bob James
	Susan Harrison	Mark Rothenbusch	Paul Hinton	Bill Enns
	Dianne Klick	Simon Rosenman	Gary Patterson	Glen Dragan
	Steven Dubas	Brenda Driediger	Sharon Hall	Alf Fletcher
	Karen Ashby	Gord MacKenzie	Ken Huber	Dan Bland
	Gayle Pawley-Wilson		Laurel Wood	Pam Hinton

Absent:	Barb Schmidt	Wendy Christoff	Wendy Cooper	Michael Rowe
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Chairman:	Isabel Reinertson	Recorder:	Pam Hinton
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1. **Acceptance of Agenda**
Moved/seconded to accept the Agenda (Fletcher/LaLonde) CARRIED

2. **Call Meeting to Order**
 Ken Huber called the meeting to order at 9:08 am with a quorum present. He thanked everyone for coming. The meeting had been called to discuss the future direction of the Horse Council's Constitution. He then handed the meeting over to Isabel.

3. **Constitution Revision**
 Isabel stated that the Constitution was not changing direction, CEF has already caused the change. We are revising the Constitution to be in line with CEF. When the CEF reduced the total number of Directors revisions were evident. There was a need to balance the Horse Council representation.
 Part 1 – what the CEF asked Horse Council to do
 i.e. Past President – this was not in the Constitution, it is in the Policies of HCBC and was dealt with at the June meeting.

Refer to the yellow copy of the Constitution and By-Laws.

BY-LAWS

Part I

Section 1 a) (i) (ii) (iii) change the roman numerals that follow to (iv) (v) etc.

Section 1 a) (v) change all references to Section 4 to Section 3

Part II

Sections 3 a) to e) change all references of Section 6 to Section 5

Part III

Section 7 b) change bylaw 8 (A)(a) to read Part III Section 7

Part IV

Section 9 a) change bylaw 8 (A)(d)(iv) to Part III Section 7

Part IX change to VIII

Part X change to IX

Part XI change to X

Part XII change to XI

Part XIII change to XII

4. Amendments

Part II – Membership Sections b) c) and d)

**Moved/seconded that ‘or’ be inserted between each type of membership
(Reinertson/Rosenman) CARRIED**

Part IV – Directors & Officers Section 9 c)

**Moved/seconded that a maximum of three Directors-At-Large may be elected
from among the General Membership (Hall/Reinertson) CARRIED**

Section 9 d)

**Moved/seconded that where there are no directors available to fill an Executive
position requiring special expertise, up to two (2) members in good standing may
be appointed by the Executive Committee. (Rosenman/Patterson) CARRIED**

Part V Section 18

**Moved/seconded that following “Executive” replace “may” to “shall”.
(Reinertson/Rosenman) CARRIED**

Part XII Section 31

**Moved/seconded that “Annual General Meeting” be changed to read “Annual or
General Meeting” in all paragraphs and sub sections (a) through (e).
(Rosenman/Reinertson) CARRIED**

**Moved that the Constitution be approved as amended on November 4, 2001.
(Reinertson/Rosenman) CARRIED**

**Moved that when the New Constitution is typed with all the changes it will be sent
back to the committee to proof read as to spelling and numbering and signed off
by them and all pages be numbered. (MacKenzie/Ashby) CARRIED**

There followed a short break.

Zone Restructuring

After the break, Gary Patterson gave the background behind the possibility for Zone restructuring.

Zones – primary impact for input to HCBC

The original Zone model was set up after the Summer Games Provincial model.

Other Government areas are as follows:

- Forestry 6 Zones
- Tourism 6 Zones
- Electoral 79 Ridings

There can be Natural Geographic Areas – linked by commerce, culture or sport.

Several Options

- Zone – 1 Director Larger Zone – 2 Directors
- Population
- Zone broken into sections A & B so they still agree with the Summer Games Zones
- Specialized groups working on local issues
- Areas that match the groups needs

Some of the discussion issues which followed:

Question. What would the cost saving be if each Zone was represented by one director?

A. Cost reduction factor is not a main issue.

MAIN ISSUE: How do we make the Zones a more effective part of the structure of Horse Council?

Zone Reps need **knowledge** and **support** of the Zone constituents.

Gayle Pawley-Wilson stated that the BCQHA Zone Reps will be getting in touch with the Horse Council Zone Reps.

“COMMUNICATION with the people out there”
“get in the peoples’ faces”

Representation, Communication, Structure Issue.

Broke for lunch @ 11:55 so people could check out of their rooms.

The meeting resumed @ 1:15

Moved/seconded that Section 7(A)a0 be revised as:

Zone 1A – West Kootenays	Zone 5 - Vancouver-Coast
Zone 1B – East Kootenays	Zone 6A – Vancouver Island-North
Zone 2A – Okanagan-Similkameen	Zone 6B – Vancouver Island-South
Zone 2B – Kamloops-Shuswap	Zone 7A – Northwest?
Zone 3A – Fraser Valley North	Zone 7B – no name decided on
Zone 3B – Fraser Valley South	Zone 8A – Peace-Liard
Zone 4 - Delta-Richmond	Zone 8B – Cariboo-Prince George

And that Section 7 be revised to: One (1) Delegate to the Society who shall be a Director of the Society.

And that Part IV, Section 9, a) be revised to: One (1) director from each Zone Council as per bylaw 8 (A) (d) (iv). (Patterson/Reinertson) DEFEATED

Moved/seconded that: in accordance with Section 7 (A) b), the decision to split zone structure be referred to each individual zone to discuss splitting geographically, voting and funding. The decision of each zone shall be in the form of a special resolution presented to the AGM. Rosenman/James

Apposed 1 CARRIED

SPECIAL ACTION: To be on the agenda for each Zones 2002 AGM. Results to be put in the form of a Special Resolution circulated for the HCBC AGM.

Isabel thanked and publicly acknowledged Gary and Simon, and publicly acknowledged the group as a whole for wrestling a very tough question.

Moved/seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 1:30 pm (LaLonde/James)