

Horse Council BC Annual General Meeting 16th June 2025

Present:

Craig Cherrett

Sharon Pickthorne

Tina Knott

Lynda Atkinson

Yvonne Darcel

Claire Vessey

Nora McCallum

Joan Chess-Woollacott

Kersten Taylor

Jocelyn Plasman

Kam Chutti

Lynda Eckstein

Danica Pazcoguin

Marsoe Larose

Rosmarie Eklund

Sara Allison

Stephanie Mackay

Sue Billings

Tracy Carver

Deborah McBride

Cheryl Rhodes

Catherine Davidson

Bill Atkinson

Carolyn Farris

Carol-Ann Rolls

Rose Schroeder

Karen Swantje

Kelly Kennedy

Guests:

Derek Christo

1. Call meeting to order 6:34pm

a) Vice - Chair's Welcome – Lynda Atkinson

b) Land Acknowledgement – Lynda Atkinson

c) Announcement of quorum, QUOROM ACHIEVED

d) Acceptance of agenda

Motion 1: Move to accept the agenda as presented/discussed.

Moved: Carolyn Farris **Seconded:** Rose Schroeder **Carried**

1.e. Approval of Annual General Meeting Minutes of June 17 2024

Motion 2: Move that the Meeting Minutes of June 17 2024, be approved as presented.

Moved: Claire Vessey **Seconded:** Sharon Pickthorne **Carried**

2. Treasurer's Update

2.a. Report on 2024 Audited Financial Statements, Derek Christo, Auditor

The financial statements were presented by Derek Christo from Dabity Moody and received a clean audit opinion, indicating sound financial management by Horse Council BC.

Questions to the Audited Financial Statements

Motion 3: Move that 2024 Audited Financial Statements be accepted.

Moved: Sharon Pickthorne **Seconded:** Tracy Carver **Carried**

2.b. Appointment of Auditor d'Abadie Moody

Motion 4: Move that d'Abadie Moody be appointed Auditor for 2026.

Moved: Sharon Pickthorne **Seconded:** Yvonne Darcel **Carried**

3. Bylaw Housekeeping Updates (Joan Chess-Woollacott)

Horse Council BC updated bylaws to clarify membership termination processes, allowing the board to non-renew memberships based on conduct issues while maintaining fair and transparent guidelines for member management.

a) Bylaw Review – Redline Changes 1. Questions

Motion 5: Move that the changes to the Society's Bylaws be approved as presented.

Moved: Joan Chess-Woollacot **Seconded:** Nora McCallum **Carried**

4. Election of Directors

4. a) Nominations Process – Yvonne Darcel, Nominations Committee Chair

b) Candidate Presentations/Overview (2 minutes each)

- 1. Lynda Atkinson**
- 2. Joan Chess-Woollacott**
- 3. Tina Knott**
- 4. Rose Schroder**

c) Election – via electronic voting

d) Election results

Four candidates ran for board positions:

- Lynda Atkinson
- Joan Chess-Woollacott
- Tina Knott
- Rose Schroeder

All candidates were successfully elected to the Horse Council BC board, with overwhelming member support. One candidate, Monique, withdrew prior to the election, reducing the number of candidates to match available board positions.

4. Questions from members

None

5. Date and time next meeting June 22, 2026 @ 6:30pm (tentative - to be confirmed)

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn: Carolyn Farris

Meeting ended at 08:00pm