



Fraser Valley Branch
Annual General Meeting
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Fraser Valley Branch of BCIA – Annual General Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2023
Online Webinar via Zoom

1.0 Pre-Meeting Notes

13:02 Kim Grout opened with a welcome message and a territorial acknowledgment.

13:05 A video demonstration on mason bee houses was shared by Kim Grout, PAg, on behalf of the Woodlands 4-H Club in Langley. The video was created by Anabelle Dos Santos and Chloe Braslins and it was awarded 1st place in the 2022 provincial communication finals.

2.0 AGM Minutes

Attendee Count: 81 Fraser Valley Branch members in good standing present. Meeting is in quorum.

2.1 Call to Order Kim Grout, PAg

Kim Grout called the meeting to order at 1:16 pm.

2.2 Agenda Adoption Kim Grout, PAg

Kim Grout presented the Agenda.

MOTION: Parashar Malla, PAg, moved to accept the Agenda as presented, passed.

2.3 Minutes from AGM held January 2022 Kim Grout, PAg

The minutes from the last AGM were circulated.

MOTION: Kim Grout, PAg, moved to accept the 2023 AGM Minutes as presented, passed.

2.4 President's Report Kim Grout, PAg

Kim Grout presented the president's report. A copy of the report was included in the meeting package.

2.5 Professional Development Coordinator's Report Kim Grout, PAg

Kim Grout, PAg presented the PD Coordinator's report on behalf of Rashmi Gaire, PAg. A copy of the report was included in the meeting package.

An enquiry was posed in the chat whether the Ethics for Professionals workshop will be offered in 2023. Jessica Morgan, PAg, advised that this workshop will be offered both at the 2023 AGM/Conference and later in the year.



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2.6 Articling Agrologist Coordinator's Report **Parashar Malla, PAg**

Parashar Malla, PAg, presented the Articling Agrologist Coordinator's Report. A copy of the report was included in the meeting package. Please volunteer to mentor a new A. Ag.

MOTION: Dawn Ross, PAg, moved to accept the Executive Reports as presented, passed.

2.7 Treasurer's Report **Dawn Ross, PAg**

Dawn Ross, AAg, presented the 2022 Treasure's Report and the 2023 Proposed Budget.

MOTION: Nicole MacDonald, PAg, moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, passed.

2.8 BCIA Provincial Reports **Jessica Morgan, PAg**

Jessica Morgan, PAg, presented the Registrar and Councillor's update. Information was provided on the 75th anniversary of BCIA being celebrated in 2022 through the SCI-CON conference jointly hosted with the Applied Science Technologists & Technicians of BC (ASTTBC). Jessica noted that the 2023 provincial AGM and conference will be held in Kamloops in April. Other topics included:

- Reserved practice rights
- Updated areas of practice
- Limited License Agrologists (LLAg)
- Definition of 'person's own land'
- Indigenous training requirements
- Written practice guidelines
- Recruitment for provincial Compliance Officer and PD Coordinator
- Lease renewal for head office
- Strategic Plan and anticipated gap analysis to be undertaken
- Upcoming elections for Districts 2 and 3

2.9 Election of New Executive **Kim Grout, PAg**

Kim Grout, PAg, presented returning executive members:

- Director-at-Large, Parashar Malla, PAg
- Articling Coordinator, Nicole MacDonald, PAg

Kim Grout, PAg, presented nominations for the following executive positions:

- Secretary, Rupesh Monga, AAg
- Treasurer, Correen Rodger Berrisford, PAg
- PD Coordinator, Usama Tayyab, AAg

MOTION: Kim Grout, PAg, moved to accept the new Executive Team as presented, passed.



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No volunteers came forward for the positions of President or President-Elect. Kim Grout, PAg, will follow up with the new Executive Team regarding the determination of an Acting-President in the interim.

2.10 Recognition and Presentations **Kim Grout, PAg**

Parashar Malla, PAg, Bill Wiebe, PAg, and Cheryl Davie, PAg, were acknowledged for their 25th anniversary with BCIA and Richard Gammer, PAg, was recognized for their 50th anniversary.

Six articling presentations were conducted: Anna Westhaver, AAg, Jonathon Blais, AAg, Usama Tayyab, AAg, Brent Cruickshank, AAg, Rupesh Monga, AAg, and Sukhwinder Singh Dhillon, AAg.

2.11 Adjournment **Kim Grout, PAg**

MOTION: Kim Grout, PAg, moved to adjourn the 2023 Fraser Valley Annual General Meeting, passed.

Kim Grout, PAg, adjourned the meeting at 2:19 pm.