

ADBoT Annual General Meeting

Thursday 5 April 2007

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Present: ADBoT members: Kevin Burnell, Beth Halliday, Carl Oldham, Beth Fairn, Ron Boulding, Danny McClair, Rob Lawrie, Rob Walls, Angela Amero, Dave Robb, Gary Mailman, Paul Stackhouse, Val Patterson, Linda Brown, Jane Nicholson

Guests: Helen Abel, Jeremy Sanford, Clyde Baltzer, Mike Gushue

Regrets: Peter Kramers, Brian Cummings

Called to order: 7.05 pm

Review of 2006 Minutes:

- No omissions or changes or matters arising. **Motion** to accept as previously distributed – seconded – passed.

Procedural Review:

- Kevin Burnell advised that 2 by-laws were being broken unintentionally with regard to the timing of the notification and date of meeting.

President's Report (Kevin Burnell):

- Report on file

Financial Report (Beth Fairn):

- Report on file
 - Question: Why are the 2005 projected Town contributions against actuals very different?
Answer: The projected figure was a combination of Town contribution to both VIC and Christmas promotion projects; the actual is reflective of the Christmas promotion only.
 - Question: Why is the marketing projection much less than 2006?
Answer: There are fewer projects to complete and therefore less money is required.

Motion to accept 2007 budget as presented – seconded – passed.

Retail Committee Report (Carl Oldham):

- Report on file

Tourism Committee Report (Beth Halliday):

- Report on file
 - Question: Is it possible to get copies of the promotional cd that Beth had talked about in her report?
Answer: Yes, please email your requests.
 - Clyde Baltzer, Digby Board of Trade and co-chair gave a report on the **Scotia Fundy International Conference** in June

VIC Committee Report (Gary Mailman):

- Report on file
 - No questions

Membership Committee Report (Ron Boulding):

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- Question: The figures indicated that 40% of retail businesses were members, why are the other 60% not?
Answer: It is a cost/value perception and steps were being taken to address this issue.
- Jane Nicholson commented that local businesses needed to view ADBoT participation as an exercise in citizenship

By-Law Revisions:

- Opened to floor for discussion
 - Term of Office – still have to meet the act of voting in each year. Each Director has to be re-elected.
 - Why no elected officials as Directors? It was due to the possibility of a conflict of interest and ensuring confidentiality of both parties. It was confirmed that Beth Fairn was the Town Liaison and this worked very well.
 - Rationale for removing secret ballot – never used before so not a requirement. They by-laws are meant to be a true reflection of the common practices of the Board.
 - No other changes or questions
- **Motion** to accept as they stand with final review at next General Meeting – seconded – passed.

Slate of Directors:

- By-Laws have not been approved and therefore the Officer title will stand as Vice-President and Secretary until revisions are passed
- Jeremy Sandford offered his services as a Director but as he is not currently a member of the BoT he cannot be voted in. **Motion** to accept the nominations as presented – seconded – passed.

2007 Objectives:

- Jane Nicholson requested ADBoT recognise the Heritage Society as an organization to work more closely with

Open Forum:

- Jane Nicholson congratulated all the efforts of the Board

Meeting Adjourned: 9.00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Administrative Assistant
Annapolis District Board of Trade

Kevin Burnell
President
Annapolis District Board of Trade

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