



ST. LUKE'S PLAYERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 27 July, 2014

The AGM was held at Jane Guy's home, 1741 Barrie Road on the 27 July 2014. Twenty-nine members attended.

The Agenda, President's Report, Treasurer's Report, 2014/2015 Nomination Committee Report and the Minutes of previous year's AGM held on the 14 July, 2013 were distributed.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Dave Hitchcock, at 3:40 p.m.

Dave explained that Rosalind Coleman, President, was ill and therefore he would be chairing the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda:

The agenda was amended to add "4. President's Report". With this amendment, it was moved by Monique Hawkes-Frost and seconded by Neville Owen "To approve the amended Agenda as presented". Carried

Approval of the 2013 AGM minutes:

It was moved by Paul Hawkes-Frost and seconded by Bronwyn Taylor "To approve the minutes of the 2013 AGM". Carried

Approval of the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 11th December 2013:

It was moved by Paul Hawkes-Frost and seconded by Bronwyn Taylor "To approve the minutes of the General Meeting held on 11th December 2013 AGM". Carried

President's Report:

Dave Hitchcock, Vice-President, read the report by President Rosalind Coleman. Once again we had a very successful year with 330 season ticket holders (up from 273 last year) and an increase in our membership from 146 last year to 159. We made several improvements to give our audience a better theatre experience. These include installing a new lighting board and dimmable house lights. Janine Longy has volunteered to be the Publicity Director and is getting our name out there in the press. Our new look brochures, designed by Kathy Macovichuk, are very popular.

A cheque for \$18,506 was presented to Daniel Fournier, Rector, St. Luke's Church as a donation to the church in appreciation of the use of their facilities and their support throughout the year. Daniel thanked the Players and said it was a pleasure to be part of the St. Luke's Players' community.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer, Mike Chadwick, distributed his report. We had another good year – good financial performance, major projects completed and in progress and enough money in the bank for more improvements. Season ticket sales and sales through our outlets were both up this year but there was a decrease in the number of tickets sold at the door. Expenses for each show were up slightly but not enough to be a cause for concern. We lost our sponsor, Amica, following a change in their management but made up for this in increased revenues from Concession and in other donations. We spent \$10,000 on capital improvements and ended the year with \$30,000 available for further projects.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as distributed.

Proposed Bylaw Changes. A change to the bylaws was previously discussed at the General Meeting held on 11th December.

It was moved by Jon Scheer and seconded by Graham Thomson "To increase the number of members-at-large on the executive committee to a minimum of three and a maximum of five and to change the term of the Immediate Past President by striking out (for one year only)".

Discussion: Perry Burton asked was it necessary for a person to be a member-at-large of the executive in order to be able to help with the jobs that the Executive does. Dave said it wasn't necessary, although members of the Executive are more likely to know about the jobs that need doing. There being no further discussion, the vote was taken. Motion carried.

Election of Officers for the 2014-2015 season: The Nominating Committee report (attached) had been distributed earlier. Each candidate gave a short speech or submitted a statement that was read at the meeting.

The election was presided over by Daniel Fournier, Rector, St. Luke's Church.

Candidate for President: Bronwyn Taylor

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Bronwyn was declared acclaimed as president of St. Luke's Players.

Candidate for Vice President: Merry Hallsor

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Merry was declared acclaimed as vice-president of St. Luke's Players.

Candidate for Secretary: Susan Nicholl

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Susan was declared acclaimed as Secretary of St. Luke's Players.

Candidate for Treasurer: Mike Chadwick

There was a call for nominations from the floor. There being none, Mike was declared acclaimed as Treasurer of St. Luke's Players.

Candidates for Members at Large (five positions):

Perry Burton
Paul Frost
Julie Gray
Jane Guy
Janine Longy
Kevin Rich

Note: Kevin was not in attendance at the meeting, and was not a member in good standing of SLP. Accordingly his name was removed the list of nominees.

Beverly van Druten-Blais

There was a call for nominations from the floor and there were none.

An election took place. Dave Hitchcock nominated and Pearl Arden seconded the appointment of Dave Cornock and Peter Guy as scrutineers of the election.

The following members were elected as Member at Large

Paul Frost
Julie Gray
Jane Guy
Janine Longy
Beverly van Druten-Blais

The chair instructed the scrutineers to destroy the ballots. This was duly done.

Any Other Business:

Appointment of Auditor. It was moved by Elizabeth Brimacombe and seconded by Jane Guy, "That Jon Scheer be named auditor for 2013-2104". Carried.

Dave Hitchcock thanked the outgoing executive members for their terms serving on the board of St Luke's Players.

Pearl Arden asked if we wanted to send flowers to Rosalind Coleman. It was agreed that this is what we would like to do and the meeting asked Bronwyn Taylor, as president of SLP, to contact Wendy Cornock to arrange for flowers to be sent.

Dave thanked Jane Guy for once again hosting the AGM at her beautiful home.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Guy Blais and seconded by Neville Owen "to adjourn the meeting". Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.