

**SCHIZOPHRENIA SOCIETY OF CANADA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
September 27, 2015
3:00 p.m. EST
Teleconference**

1.

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Paul King-Fisher declared a quorum and called the 2015 Schizophrenia Society of Canada Annual General Meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. EDST and welcomed all participants to the meeting. He dedicated this meeting to all those affected by schizophrenia and psychosis, especially those who had lost their lives this past year in their struggle with schizophrenia and psychosis.

2.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Moved by Phil Rogers, seconded by Doug Race to adopt the agenda. **CARRIED**

3.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST AGM – October 4, 2014

MOTION: Moved by Julia Gajewski-Noel and seconded by Florence Budden to approve and adopt the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting of October 4, 2014.

CARRIED

4.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE -Florence Budden

Paul thanked the board of directors for their support during the last year. He expressed that he had learned much about the movement, learned how to think outside the box, and became savvier politically. She also expressed her appreciation of and support from the CEO, Chris Summerville. Paul state that a key theme of his is collaboration with the provincial schizophrenia societies. He then highlighted elements of the 2015 Annual Report.

5.

PRESENTATION OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Phil Rogers

MOTION: Moved by Phil Rogers, seconded by Julia Gajewski-Noel the acceptance of the 2015 audited financial statements as presented in the draft. **CARRIED**

6.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR

MOTION: Moved by Phil Rogers, seconded by Dr. Phil Tibbo the appointment of BDO Dunwoody as auditors for the year ending March 31, 2016. **CARRIED**

7.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS – Paul King-Fisher

MOTION: Moved by Florence Budden and seconded by Doug Race that the following nominees be elected to the SSC board of Directors serving the first year of term 1:

- Donna Methot from SSNS
- Michelle Seibel from BCSS
- Doug Tiltman from MSS
- Dr. Lori Triano-Antidormi, Member-At Large. **CARRIED.**

8.

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBER FOR 2015-2016

Doug Race- SSA

Odette Beaudoin, SQS

Joan Baylis, SSS

Julia Gajewski-Noel, SSNB

Gail McLean, SSPEI

Donna Methot, SSNS

Michelle Seibel, BCSS

Doug Tiltman, MSS

Chris Damaren, SSO

Dr. Phil Tibbo, Member-at-large (NS)

Jeffrey Costain, Member-at-large (ON)

Dr. Lori Triano-Antidormi, Member-at-large (ON)

Paul King-Fisher, Member-at-large (ON)

David Newman, Member-at-large (MB)

Florence Budden- Past President (NFL)

9.

NEW BUSINESS

- Paul expressed appreciation for Phil Rogers and the excellent service he provided as treasurer of the SSC and SCCF.
- Paul noted those who had left the board this past year: Fred Dawe, Wilma Schroeder, and Renea Mohammed.
- Helen Tucker raised the question of how SSC was addressing the criminalization of those with schizophrenia. It was agreed that early identification and treatment were paramount. The Advocacy Committee will be looking more closely at this issue as to how to advocate more effectively.

10.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Florence Budden that the meeting be adjourned.