

Schizophrenia Society of Canada Foundation (SSCF)
Annual General Meeting
October 4, 2014
4:50 p.m. EST
Ottawa, Ontario

1. Call to Order

Dr. Phil Tibbo called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Moved by Florence Budden and seconded by Phil Rogers that the agenda be approved. **Carried.**

3. Approval of Minutes of the previous AGM – September 10, 2013.

MOTION: Moved by Phil Rogers and seconded by Fred Dawe to adopt the minutes of the September 10, 2013 Annual General Meeting. **Carried.**

4. Report on Last Year's Projects

Dr. Phil Tibbo (Chair) gave a report on the activities of the SSCF since the last meeting. Dr. Tibbo highlighted the partnership with the SSCF and the Canadian Consortium for Early Intervention in Psychosis with respect to the research project investigating a relapse predictor tool for early phase psychosis. Dr. Tibbo also updated the Board on where the Relapse Tool Project currently stands. Three of the four family focus groups have been completed. The one focus group that was set for Victoria, BC had issues with the Research Ethics Board and significant delays in getting approval. In order to ensure a timely completion of this project the site was pulled and a site in Chatham/Kent in Ontario was chosen. The family focus group for this site has been scheduled for October. Once that data has been obtained then analysis will continue and it is hoped by the end of 2015 that a relapse tool for family members will be available. Dr. Tibbo also presented copies of a poster that was presented at the recent Canadian Psychiatric Association Annual meeting on preliminary data of this project.

The Chair also reviewed his involvement with the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario in the development of the Institute of Psychosocial Research. Dr. Tibbo attended an organizational meeting for this institute in December 2013. SSCF could be a potential funding partner in this institute once research projects have been identified. Dr. Tibbo summarized a recent conversation he had with Dr. Taryn Tang of the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario (SSO). The Institute has moved forward in its development and while actively continues to seek donors and benefactors has outlined a three year plan that also includes a research project. This demonstration project is in the area of psychosocial models for recovery; however, the

parameters of the research have not yet been set as this will be dictated by the amount of monies available for research.

The Chair discussed some of his outreach to potential partners within a Canadian setting with respect to research opportunities. One potential partner as a result of this activity is the Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology (CCNP).

The Chair thanked Paul King-Fisher for his work on the bylaw revisions for the SSCF. The Foundation spent a significant amount of time in early 2014 on the bylaws in order for it to meet the deadlines for continuance.

5. Approval of Audited Financial Statements

MOTION: Moved by Phil Rogers and seconded by Fred Dawe the acceptance of the financial statements as presented in the draft dated September 25 with the following amendments:

- Note 1 be amended to reflect our current mission as "...to improve the quality of life for those affected by schizophrenia and psychosis.'
- Any amendments necessary to reflect a restricted grant from the society and related payments in the approximate amount of \$44,000.
- The French name to be amended throughout the statements by 'LA' being inserted after the first DE.

Phil Rogers noted that the grant had been discussed on December 5, 2013 and the decision taken that the grant would be made to the foundation because it was the organization in the proper position to monitor the research. However, the easiest way to make the payment was directly from the Society and a letter of direction to that effect is now in place. However, because it was not a transaction that created a cash trail the required journal entry was not posted.

6. Appointment of Auditors for the Current Fiscal Year.

MOTION: Moved by Phil Rogers, seconded by Florence Budden that BDO Dunwoody of Winnipeg be appointed as auditors for 2015. **Carried.**

7. Continuance of the Foundation

Paul King-Fisher, chair of the By-Laws Committee reported that appropriate documents had been filed with Corporations Canada after the board met on July 11, 2014 to approve the Articles of Continuance, Special Members Resolution and the new By-Laws.

It was noted that the members of the SSCF are the board members of the SSC.

8. Election of SSCF Board Members

Moved by Paul King-Fisher and seconded by Florence Budden the following slate of board members be elected for 2014-2015:

Dr. Phil Tibbo
Florence Budden
Paul King-Fisher
Phil Rogers
Renea Mohammed
Marie Knutson
Dr. William Honer
John Gray
Dr. Trina Montreuil

9. Adjournment

Moved by Moved by Fred Dawe the meeting be adjourned at 5:35 p.m.