

Agenda Annual General Meeting

Online via Zoom Friday, June 16, 2023 10:00am

1.0 Welcome and Call to Order

President Katie Tanner called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM starting with the Land Acknowledgement and a welcome. 36 people were in attendance. Quorum was determined.

2.0 Approval of the Agenda

Call for any additions to agenda was made by Katie. Motion to approve the agenda carried.

Poll showed: 96% in favour, 4% abstain

Motion: Oralee O'Bryne

Second: Susan Marchand-Terrio

3.0 Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, June 10, 2022

Katie noted that the minutes for the 2022 AGM can be found on the website. Call for admissions or errors to be changed. None. Motion to approve the minutes carried.

Poll showed: 93% in favour, 7% abstain

Motion: Nicole Dalrymple Second: Nadine Gates

4.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

Katie stated that there was no business arising.

5.0 Reports

5.1 President's Report

Katie presented the President's Report. Discussion of ANSM's advocacy, as well as the work museum members do to improve their communities. Thanked ANSM staff for their hard work. Maggie MacIntyre's term as ED is ending, so a new hiring process for

Executive Director is ongoing. Thanked all responsible for funding. Thanked membership for attendance and engagement. Motion to approve the report carried.

Poll showed: 97% in favour, 3% abstain

Motion: Katie Tanner Second: Matthew Cook

5.2 Presentation of the Annual Report 2022-23

Maggie MacIntyre went over the Annual Report 2022-2023.

- The ANSM website was shared in the chat for access to the information.

 Discussion of the Unlocking Community Museums project in Mi'kmaq, African Nova Scotian, Acadian, and Gaelic communities.
- Official launch of the TRACK program will be coming this fall.
- Burnout is being felt, will be addressed at conference in the fall.
- Increased need for community-led events.
- New webpage launched this year has received positive feedback, and is being updated based on that feedback. ANSM is hiring two positions, available on website.
- Paused Museum Studies program for a year to make sure it can serve its members. ANSM entered memorandum or agreement with St Mary's University.
- Worked with two national conferences that came to Halifax, were able to financially support ANSM members attending the conference.
- Thanked ANSM team. Maggie will return to Nova Scotia Museum. Thanked ANSM members.
- Motion to approve the report carried.

Poll showed: 97% in favour, 3% abstain

Motion: Katie Tanner Second: Oralee O'Byrne

5.3.1 Financial Report

Joanne Boudreau presented the Financial Report. Motion to approve the report carried.

Poll showed: 94% in favour, 6% abstain

Motion: Joanne Boudreau Second: Oralee O'Byrne

5.3.2 Appointment of Auditor for the 2023/2024 Fiscal Year

Joanne made a motion to appoint Mitch Miller as the auditor for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Motion carried.

Poll showed: 90% in favour, 10% abstain

Motion: Joanne Boudreau Second: Oralee O'Byrne

5.4 Bursary Committee Report

Katie presented the Bursary Report. Board has voted to rename to the Dr. Peter Cullen Memorial Bursary. Motion to approve report carried.

Poll showed: 94% in favour, 6% abstain

Motion: Katie Tanner Second: Nadine Gates

5.5 Awards Committee Report

Katie presented the Awards Committee report. Matthew Cook is the new chair of the Awards Committee. Ask for submissions for two awards, deadline is July 12.

Poll showed: 97% in favour, 3% abstain

Motion: Katie Tanner Second: Joanne Boudreau

6.0 Election of Directors

6.1 Report of the Nominating Committee

Oralee O'Byrne presented the Nominating Committee report on behalf of Judy Frotten, absent. Biographies presented for each proposed board member: Katherine MacLeod, Deborah Poole, Samantha Brennan. The Nominating Committee submitted their suggestions for the Board of Directors 2022-2023:

The Committee would like to recommend the following candidates as the new ANSM Board Directors:

Katherine MacLeod, Parks Canada (Cape Breton)

Deborah Poole, Lawrence House Museum (Northeast)

Samantha Brennan, Barrington Museum Complex/Cape Sable Historical Society (Southwest)

Sara England, Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21 (Central)

The Committee further recommends the following Directors fill the following offices for the coming year:

Katie Tanner: President

Tegan Rowlings: Vice-President Joanne Boudreau: Treasurer

Katherine Macleod: Secretary

The final Committee submission for the 2023-2024 Board of Directors:

President/Director at Large: Katie Tanner

Vice-President/Director at Large: Tegan Rowlings Treasurer/Central Regional Director: Joanne Boudreau

Secretary/Director at Large: Katherine McLeod Cape Breton Regional Director: Matthew Cooke Southwest Regional Director: Samantha Brennan Northeast Regional Director: Deborah Poole

Director at Large: Sara England

Poll showed: 94% in favour, 6% abstain

Motion: Oralee O'Byrne Second: Sara England

Katie made three requests for nominations from the floor. No nominations were made.

6.2 – Appointment of Nominating Committee Chair for 2022-23 AGM – Katie

Katie motioned to make Joanne Boudreau the Nominating Committee Chair for 2023-2024.

Poll showed: 93% in favour, 7% abstain

Motion: Katie Tanner Second: Sara England

7.0 Presentation of ANSM's ReconciliAction Plan

Karin Kierstead presented the ReconciliAction Plan. Museums are being called on to decolonize their collections and engage in reconciliation. Community museum collections include Mi'kmaq, African Nova Scotian, Acadian, and Gaelic-related items. Work will be ongoing moving forward. A lot of enthusiasm for work done so far. No motion to approve, as this is a working document.

8.0 Strategic Plan

8.1 Report of Previous Strategic Plan 2019-2023

Maggie reported on the previous Strategic Plan 2019-2023. The new Strategic Plan was developed with heavy use of the 2019-2023 Plan. Available to download on the website.

8.2 Presentation of New Strategic Plan 2023-2026

Maggie presented the Strategic Plan 2023-2025. Shortened to three years for the changing landscape. Addition of Land Acknowledgement and Commitment Statement.

Presentation of illustration demonstrating who ANSM is. Key issues: transition, realistic expectations, EDIA. Goals: services, building capacity, bridging. No questions were asked. Motion to approve Strategic Plan 2023-2026 approved.

Poll showed: 89% in favour, 11% abstain

Motion: Katie Tanner Second: Nadine Gates

9.0 Other Business

Maggie officially announces the ANSM conference, happening in Baddeck October 16-18 2023. The theme is Museum Care: not of artifacts, but of people, community, team, and self. Opening call for presenters, call is on the website.

Katie thanks outgoing board members Oralee O'Byrne and Nicole Dalrymple. Thanks ANSM members.

10.0 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – Katie Meeting adjourned at 11:25 AM.