

Campbell River & District Museum & Archives Society
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 4:00 pm

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MINUTES

PRESENT **President:** Dave Bawtinheimer
Trustees: John Frishholz, Taylor Stephen, Naomi Tabata, Sarah Samson, Bruce Izard, Shannon Baikie
Regrets: Maria Fyfe, James Quatell
Staff: Sandra Parrish, Ken Blackburn, Lorna Carlson, Tona McMurrin, Marlene Pearson, Megan Purcell, Cherrie Warburton, Wayne Demerse, Erika Anderson
Members: Andy Adams, Paul Barnett, Desiree Chan, Mike Cross, Pat Cross, Laurie Earles, Jim Gordon, Charlie Kellow, Louise Kellow, Jessica Madsen, Jody McConnan, Morgan Ostler, Joe Painter
Auditors: Derek Lamb and Alan Lam

Call to Order

Dave Bawtinheimer welcomed people to the 57th AGM and called to order at 4:03 pm.

Introductions

Dave Bawtinheimer introduced the Board members and Sandra Parrish.

Confirmation of Quorum

Promotions and Membership Coordinator Erika Anderson confirmed quorum.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion that Agenda be adopted as presented.

M/S/C: Jim Gordon /Paul Barnett

Adoption of Minutes of April 25, 2018

Motion that the Minutes of April 25, 2018 be adopted.

M/S/C: Sarah Samson /Morgan Ostler

Reports

President Dave Bawtinheimer

I can't believe I've been on the Board 6 years! It has flown by, and I haven't regretted a single moment. I encourage people to come and see the Museum and bring visitors. It truly is a gathering place in the community. It preserves our past and helps people to make good decisions for the future by considering the past. Want to thank all of the volunteers that put in countless hours. They really are crucial to the organization. And many volunteers are also donors. We have great staff here, it's a very positive atmosphere. It wasn't always like this, when I started on the Board it was turbulent times, but it has smoothed out now. Museums are not self-sustaining, so we couldn't do it without donations and support of organizations like the City of Campbell River and the Province of BC. There are other grants as

well, but we especially get a lot of support from those two funders. A few things stand out for me in my years on the Board – the burning of the old pole and blessing and dedication of the new pole was really special. The 60th Anniversary Party and the excitement in the Del's burger line was great. I waited in that line and people were so happy despite waiting over an hour for a burger. Another highlight was hiring Sandra Parrish as Executive Director. Thank you Sandra for your great leadership. I appreciated the opportunity to be president this year. Thanks.

Executive Director Sandra Parrish

I will start by introducing the staff here today. Ros, Marlene, Megan, Tona, Wayne, Erika

I wanted to start by thanking all of you who came forward with their time, energy and resources to help us celebrate our 60th Anniversary. Last year we undertook a number of ambitious activities and this couldn't have been done without the support of the Museum Board, Staff, Volunteers and community members who came forward to help where needed. Your efforts contributed to making 2018 a year to remember at the Museum.

Throughout the year we hosted a number of special events and with over 33,000 people participating in Museum activities it was our highest level of engagement since we opened in this facility in 1994. Our feature exhibit for the year *60: Collected Stories from the Museum at Campbell River* opened on June 16 and coincided with a special public 60th anniversary party which we simply called 60: The Party. It was a day to remember. The day began with members of the Henderson family accompanied by elder Henry Seaweed, sharing a traditional blessing of the exhibit followed by the official lighting of the newly restored neon sign from Del's Burgers. Birthday cake, music, speeches and the much anticipated serving of the original Del's Burgers by members of the Pelletier family rounded out the day.

To compliment the exhibit we published a book which will be a lasting reminder of our 60th. The book features striking photographs of each of the pieces included in the exhibit and their stories. Taking on a project of this size was a new undertaking for the Museum and a special thanks to our Curator, Beth Boyce and Promotions/Membership Coordinator, Erika Anderson who went above and beyond to see this project through.

In partnership with the Campbell River Arts Council we were pleased to participate in the annual Banner Project. Using the theme of 60 years school groups and other participants were given a chance to go behind the scenes with staff to gain inspiration for their banners. Some of you may have noticed that Mr. Tyee was a favourite theme on the banners last year.

Behind the scenes we were pleased to receive a Museums Assistance Program grant to implement a new Collections Management system to provide greater access to the records of the many artifacts that we have in our collection. This project was the first step to providing greater on-line access to our collections.

2018 was also the 60th anniversary year of the destruction of Ripple Rock. This National Historic Event continues to fascinate our visitors and we were pleased to host an anniversary event at the Tidemark Theatre. On April 5, participants were treated to a special screening of our popular Historic Puppet Theatre play "Ripple Rock", a screening of the films *Devil Beneath the Sea* and *Remembering Ripple Rock*, a presentation which was produced by the Museum to celebrate the 50th anniversary of this event.

We ended the year on a strong note with another successful Festival of Trees. With over 4,800 people visiting the Museum in the month of December and over \$13,000 raised to support our exhibits and programs December 2018 was our best Festival to date.

On behalf of the staff I would like to thank the Board of Trustees and our Museum volunteers for their support throughout the year. I am fortunate to be able to work with a diverse group of people who share a passion for the Museum and "preserving our past to inform our future".

Treasurer Sarah Samson

- Presentation and adoption of 2018 Financial Audited Year End Statements

Sarah presented the auditors from Chan Nowosad Boates Derek Lamb and Alan Lam. The auditors explained that bookkeeping and accounting are very well done at the Museum and staff are easy to work with, so it's an easy audit for them. It's a clean audit for the Society. They then briefly went over the financial statements.

Motion to accept Audited Financial Statements as presented for the year ending on December 31, 2018.

M/S/C: Sarah Samson / Naomi Tabata

- Appointment of the Auditors for 2019 Year End Audit

Motion to appoint Chan Nowosad Boates as auditors for the 2019 Year End Audit.

M/S/C: Sarah Samson / Taylor Stephen

Election of Trustees

Nominations Committee

Bruce Izard presented who is leaving, who is up for renewal, and who is new. Dave Bawtinheimer and John Frishholz have completed their final terms. Shannon Baikie, Sarah Samson, and Naomi Tabata have completed a term and are standing for re-election. Louise Kellow and Kris Sand are standing for election. Bruce gave a brief bio of new Board nominees Louise Kellow & Kris Sand.

Bruce Izard asked three times if there were any nominations from the floor. *Being no candidates from the floor he declared the slate of candidates as presented to be elected by acclamation.*

Adjournment

Joe Painter asked if any thought has been given about lifetime or 10 year memberships. Either that or make it so that they are all due at the same time of the year.

Motion to adjourn made at 4:37pm.

M/S/C: Joe Painter / Naomi Tabata