

**BCIA 62nd Annual General Meeting
Wednesday, May 20, 2009
1:30 pm, Telus Convention Centre, Whistler, BC**

Minutes

1. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 1:38 pm
Keith Duhaime, P.Ag outlined the purpose of the AGM

The purpose of an AGM is to bring the Profession together in a forum where the members can receive reports and provide feedback to Council. BCIA exists under an Act of the BC Legislature and Council is accountable to the public as defined by the Act and the legislature that brought it into being. The AGM provides the opportunity to report on Council activities that are thus mandated.

Greetings were received from Jon Lok, RFT, President, Association of BC Forest Professionals. Jon introduced ABCFP CEO Sharron Glover.
David Lloyd, P.Ag.CEO, Alberta Institute of Agrologists brought greetings from the Alberta Institute.

2. Introduction of Current Council 2008-2009

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| President Elect | Andrea Gunner |
| Treasurer/FV Branch | Brian Mauza |
| Cariboo Central Interior | Martin Sills |
| Kamloops | Russ Horton |
| Kootenay/Boundary | Gary Tipper |
| Okanagan | Carl Withler |
| Peace River | Karrilyn Vince |
| Vancouver | Maureen Kent |
| Victoria & Islands | Dave Spittlehouse |

3. Presentation of Long Term Certificates and 25 year pins

These pins were found in the move to Victoria and it was decided that members that attended the AGM and had met the 25 years or more of membership they would receive a pin. Once received, pins and certificates would not be presented in succeeding years. Pins and certificates were presented to the following members.

29 Years: George Geldart P.Ag

30 Years: Mary-Jane Douglas P.Ag

33 Years: Art Bomke P.Ag

36 Years: Richard Gammer P.Ag (Retired)
Wendy Holm P.Ag
Earl Jenson P.Ag

38 Years: John Hall P.Ag

4. Agrologist of the Year

John Vielvoye P.Ag was recognized as Agrologist of the Year for 2008.
This was followed by presentation of P.Ag certificates to new P.Ags

5. Presentation on Meeting Protocol

Eli Mina, Registered Parliamentarian, spoke about the Act, the Bylaws, Robert's Rules of Order and how a meeting is conducted.

Eli reviewed the rules of the meeting: 3 minutes to speak, a member may not speak twice until everyone else has spoken once, the focus of the discussion should only be on the issue and speakers must stay on track. The quorum under the bylaws is 25 and this has been met and the proper notice regarding the meeting was sent. Council must follow the Act and ensure that there are no contraventions. Resolutions from the annual meeting are advisory to Council and are not binding.

6. Confirmation of Voting Members in Attendance

Carl Withler, P.Ag, Chair, Resolutions Committee, confirmed the number of voting members in attendance (Members in good standing). There were 176 voting members in attendance hence a resolution from the floor would require 117 positive votes in order for it to pass.

7. Confirm Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda as presented. Moved by Dave Struthers, P.Ag and seconded by Andrea Gunner, P.Ag. Carried.

8. Approval of Minutes of 2008 AGM in Abbotsford

Motion to accept the minutes as presented. Moved by Caron Dymond A.Ag, 2nd David Noshad A.Ag. Carried.

It was noted that the budget presented at the 2008 AGM had errors that were subsequently corrected.

9. President's Report

Keith Duhaime, P.Ag presented the report. In the report Keith discussed the work that council has done including the development of the governance manual in progress and the ad hoc bylaw committee which was formed to prepare recommendations on revision to the bylaws.

10. Disposition of 2008 Resolutions

No resolutions were approved in 2008.

11. Treasurer's Report

- a. Audited Statements for 2008

Motion to accept the audited statement. Moved by Brian Mauza, P.Ag, seconded by Dave Struthers, P.Ag Carried

- b. Budget for 2009

Motion to accept the budget. Moved by Brian Mauza, P.Ag, seconded by Margot Pittaway, P.Ag. Carried with 5 opposed.

- c. Appointment of Auditor

Motion to appoint Joyce and Dilba as the auditor for 2009, Moved by Brian Mauza, P.Ag, seconded by Cornelius van den Berg. Carried

- d. Confirmation of membership fees

Brian Mauza, P.Ag reported that there will be no change in membership fees for 2010.

12. Committee Reports

a. Credentials Committee

Elisabeth Deom Eldridge P.Ag, Chair, Credentials Committee presented the report. Following the report Keith Duhaime, P.Ag thanked Elisabeth for her 10 years as Chair of the committee and present her with a framed certificate.

b. Professional Practice Committee

Russ Horton P.Ag, Council representative on the Professional Practice Committee presented his report.

c. Conduct & Discipline Report

Don Rugg P.Ag, Executive Director, presented the report.

d. Communications Committee

Don Rugg P.Ag presented the report.

e. Ad Hoc Bylaw Committee

Niels Holbek, P.Ag, Chair, Ad Hoc Bylaw Committee presented his report.

f. Resolution distributed with meeting notice.

The following motion was read by Carl Withler, P.Ag, Chair, Resolutions Committee.

Motion: Therefore be it resolved that Council establish a committee of interested Agrologists to explore and propose the means by which BCIA and individual members can uphold and protect the public interest by upholding the principles of stewardship that are the foundation of agrology and report back to the 2010 AGM.

Moved by Art Bomke P.Ag, Seconded by Niels Holbeck, P.Ag. Carried.

13. Report on Election Results for President Elect

Keith Duhaime, P.Ag reported that Karrylyn Vince P.Ag was elected by acclamation for the position of President Elect for 2009-1010.

14. Location of 2010 and 2011 AGM's

Keith Duhaime, P.Ag announced that the 2010 BCIA AGM and conference will be held at the Pomeroy Inn & Suites, Fort St. John, June 3 -5, 2010. BCIA has been invited to hold their 2011 AGM and conference in Kamloops, hosted by the Kamloops Branch.

15. Induction of President

Keith Duhaime, P.Ag called on Andrea Gunner P.Ag to come forward and presented her with the president's gavel, formally transferring the presidency to her.

16. The Road Ahead and Recognitions.

Andrea Gunner P.Ag outlined the goals of her term as president of BCIA and provide recognition for:

Keith Duhaime, P.Ag as outgoing president.

Outgoing Councillors:

Martin Sills, P.Ag CCI Branch who has served for the past 6 years.

Russ Horton, P.Ag Kamloops Branch who has been on council for two + years.

Carl Withler, P.Ag Okanagan Branch, who served the past two years but is a former president of BCIA.

17. Introduction of New Council

Andrea Gunner P.Ag introduced the 2009-2010 council.

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| Past President | Keith Duhaime, P.Ag |
| President Elect | Karrylyn Vince, P.Ag |
| Treasurer/FV Branch | Brian Mauza, P.Ag |
| Cariboo Central Interior | Ken Long, P.Ag |
| Kamloops | Jennifer Morrison, P.Ag |
| Kootenay/Boundary | Gary Tipper, P.Ag |
| Okanagan | Clay Campbell |
| Peace River | Gaetane Carignan, P.Ag |
| Vancouver | Maureen Kent, P.Ag |
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18. Adjournment of AGM

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 pm.