

**Minutes of the British Columbia Institute of Agrologists
Annual General Meeting held on
Friday April 27, 2012 at the
Harbour Towers Hotel, Victoria BC**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by President Elisabeth Deom Eldridge and she welcomed everyone to the 65th Annual General Meeting of BCIA.

Elisabeth introduced Lillian Szpak, Councillor, City of Langford, who brought greetings and Randy Chipps, Elder, Becher Bay Indian Band, who honoured the attendees with an opening prayer.

Elisabeth recognized all special guests in attendance including Brian Churchill, President, and Linda Stordeur, Registrar, of the College of Applied Biology; Steve Lorimer, President, and Sharon Glover, CEO of the Association of BC Forest Professionals; Domenico Iannidinardo, President, Association of Professional Biology and Al Scholz, Executive Director, Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists

Elisabeth introduced Art Joyce, CA of Joyce and Dilba, the auditors for BCIA, who made a presentation on interpreting financial statements.

Agenda

A motion was made to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

Adoption of 2011 AGM Minutes

A motion was made to adopt the minutes. The motion was carried

Rules of Order

Elisabeth noted that the Rules of Order for the meeting were in the AGM Newsletter and Don Rugg P.Ag. would be the Parliamentarian for the meeting.

Confirmation of Number of Voting Members in Attendance

Elisabeth called on David Spittlehouse P.Ag., Chair of the Resolutions Committee, to report the number of members in good standing attending and the number of positive votes required to confirm resolutions as presented from the floor. David outlined the procedures for resolutions from the floor.

President's Report

Elisabeth made a brief verbal report and also noted that her written report could be found in the AGM newsletter.

Follow-up to 2011 Resolution

Elisabeth noted that the 2011 resolution had been implemented for the 2012 AGM as reported in the AGM newsletter.

Treasurer's Report

Elisabeth called upon Brian Mauza P.Ag. to present the Treasurer's Report.

Audited Statements for 2011

Brian introduced Art Joyce CA and asked him to present the 2011 audited financial statements. A motion was made to accept the audited statements as presented. Motion carried

Appointment of Auditor for 2012

A motion was made to reappoint Joyce and Dilba as auditors for 2012. Motion carried.

Resolution regarding membership fees

Brian advised members that the 2012 fee increase that was approved in 2010 had been implemented and there would be no fee increase in 2013.

Committee Reports

Elisabeth noted that all of the Committee reports were printed in the AGM newsletter.

Resolutions from the Floor

David announced that no resolutions had been received from the floor within the time prescribed.

Report on Election Results for President Elect

Elisabeth reported that Rob Kupchanko P.Ag. was elected by acclamation for the position of President Elect for 2012 - 2013.

Location of 2013 and 2014 AGM's

Elisabeth announced that the 2013 BCIA AGM and conference will be held in Cranbrook and the 2014 AGM and conference will be held in the lower mainland in association with the 2014 Land Summit. Elisabeth thanked the Victoria branch organizing committee for their hard work with the 2012 conference.

Induction of President

Elisabeth called upon Brian Mauza P.Ag to come forward and formally transferred the presidency to him.

The Road Ahead and Recognitions.

Brian briefly outlined the goals of his term as president of BCIA and provided recognition for Elisabeth Deom Eldridge as outgoing president.

Introduction of New Council

Brian introduced the 2012 - 2013 BCIA council.

Past President	Elisabeth Deom Eldridge P.Ag
President Elect	Rob Kupchanko P.Ag
Treasurer	Gary Tipper P.Ag
FV Branch	Jennifer McGuire P.Ag
Cariboo Central Interior	Ken Long P.Ag
Kamloops	Jennifer Morrison P.Ag
Kootenay/Boundary	Gary Tipper P.Ag
Okanagan	Clay Campbell P.Ag
Peace River	Matthew Edgar A.Ag
Vancouver	Margot Pittaway P.Ag
Victoria & Islands	Robert Kline P.Ag

Adjournment

Brian asked if there was any further business and, hearing none, declared the AGM adjourned at 10:40 am.

A presentation on Legal Frameworks for Professional Agrologists was made by Angela Westmacott LLB, legal counsel to BCIA.