



Canadian Risk and Hazards Network

Minutes for the Annual General Meeting

Date: **Thursday, October 23, 2014**

Participants: Larry Pearce, Bert Struik, Mark Baker, Lilia Yumagulova, Brenda L. Murphy, Marion Boon, Judith Muncaster, Hans de Smet, Ron Kuban

Regrets: Valérie Céré, Ernie MacGillivray, Jacqueline Randall,

1. Welcome and opening remarks (Ron)

2. Approval of Agenda:

Motion 2014.10.1 Jack Lindsay moved and Mark Baker seconded to approve the agenda. Carried

3. Approval of Minutes –

Motion 2014.10.2: Hans de Smet moved and David Etkin seconded to approve the 2013 minutes. Carried

4. Reports

a. Co-Presidents – (Ron)

The Co-presidents' annual report noted the key 2013-14 accomplishments of the Network. They include:

- (1) The implementation of the new governance model
- (2) Full compliance with the new law and regulations applied to not-for-profit organizations, relating to financial and Bylaw reporting
- (3) Develop and sustain both Strategic and Work plans
- (4) Tighter and more accountable financial processes
- (5) Continued active participation in the Canada's National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction
- (6) Continued delivery of the annual symposia and further expansion of the CRHNet newsletter the HazNet
- (7) Growth in the CRHNet network to other associations and partners
- (8) Advancement of the CRHNet website and its capabilities
- (9) Formation of two awards: The Pearce Education Award and the CRHNet Excellence Award. Both will be implemented in 2015.

It was noted that the 2015 conference will be held in Calgary Alberta.

b. Treasurer - (Judith Muncaster).

Motion 2012.10.3: Judith Muncaster moved and Lilia Yumagulova seconded to approve Financial Statement as presented. CARRIED

Action: Membership renewals will be sent out shortly.

c. Executive Director- (Larry Pearce)

Larry mentioned that we are always looking for articles for the newsletter; thanked Royal Roads for printing hard copies for us; thanked Bert Struik for all of his hard work on the website and other activities; mentioned that Marion Boon has been elected as our representative to the Canadian Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction; thanked Lily for her work on student engagement; encouraged students to submit articles to HazNet; thanked the Board. He concluded by advising all that he has resigned from his post as Executive Director (ED) and noted that CRHNet is now looking for a new ED.

Ron thanks Larry for his extensive contribution to CRHNet and presented him with a thank you gift for his dedication, energy and contribution. Ron also announced the creation of an annual student award that will be called “The Pearce Education Award”.

5. Old Business

There were no items for discussion.

6. New Business

a. Election of Officers

Patricia **Martel** was nominated to the Board by acclamation.

7. Next AGM Meeting Date – to coincide with the next symposium scheduled for the fall of 2015 in Calgary.

Mark moved to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

Ron Kuban (Chair)

Brenda Murphy (Secretary)