OAME Annual General Meeting Minutes

Hilton Garden Inn, 2648 Steeles Ave. East, Brampton, ON L6S 6J9

October 13, 2018

Attendance: Online attendees – Connie Quadrini, Bill Otto, Dragana Martinovic, Greg Taylor, Merzak Damou, and Katy Paton.
Live: David Petro, Jill Lazarus, Paul Alves, Liisa Suurtamm, Anne Yeager, Melissa Baker-Cox, Melissa Black, Freda Liu, Alvarine Aldridge, Lori Yee, Pamela Chun, Paulene Washington, Corrine Russell-Pritoula, Kathy Pilon, Cal Armstrong, Elizabeth Pearsall, Franca Genco, Glen McMillan, Heather Theijsmeijer, Jimmy Pai, Keith Aeyeung, Greg Clarke, Tim Sibbald, and Kerri Evershed.

President's Message – David Petro expressed that he is happy to be president and discussed his vision for the future, including the use of online tools.
Acceptance of the agenda: moved by Paulene Washington, seconded by Paul Alves that the agenda be approved. Carried.
Moved by Jill Lazarus, seconded by Elizabeth Pearsall that we accept the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (October 14, 2017). Carried.

Lynda Ferneyhough presented the Financial Report: The OAME Accountant reviewed the financial statements, dated August 31, 2018, and has produced a report. Moved by Pamela Chun, seconded by Elizabeth Pearsall that the financial report be accepted. Carried.

Information:
Chapters currently in-good-standing will be paid their chapter rebate. Three chapters, WOMA, CHAMP and GOLDEN, need to complete a few things in order to receive their rebates.

Motions:

1. Moved by David Petro, seconded by Judy Mendaglio, that we change the OAME presidency to a two-year term, and forward the constitutional changes to the Annual General Meeting in October 2018.
   Article 7.1 of the Constitution be changed as presented in the table below:

Existing documents	Proposed changes
Constitution Article 7.1.1 1.1. Executive Committee There shall be an Executive Committee of OAME/AOEM consisting of the following Officers of OAME/AOEM: 1.1.1. Voting members as follows: 1.1.1.1. President (Chief Executive Officer) 1.1.1.2. President-Elect 1.1.1.3. Two Vice Presidents 1.1.1.4. The immediate Past President	Constitution Article 7.1.1 1.1. Executive Committee There shall be an Executive Committee of OAME/AOEM consisting of the following Officers of OAME/AOEM: 1.1.1. Voting members as follows: 1.1.1.1. President (Chief Executive Officer) 1.1.1.2. President-Elect or Past President 1.1.1.3. Two Vice Presidents

Carried.

2. Moved by Judy Mendaglio, seconded by Sandra Jean Price, that we add a new position to the Board of Directors and the Executive committee as outlined below, and forward the constitutional changes to the Annual General Meeting in October 2018.

The changes to the Constitution are outlined below:

Creating an Emeritus Position for the Executive

Rationale: Over the past few years, the concept of an Emeritus Position has been floated several times, but never taken on in our documents. With the change to a two-year term as president, the Executive will be reduced to four members. This seems like a good time to introduce this concept again. I propose the following changes to our documents:

Constitution Article 7 – Organization

Non-voting members of the Executive Committee

7.1.2.1 The Emeritus Executive Member (except in situations where a tie exists on an issue amongst the Executive)

With the changes to the Executive, there will only be four voting members, and the chair is expected to vote on all matters. If a tie exists, it is proposed that the Emeritus Executive member cast the deciding vote.

Carried.

3. Moved by Pat Kehoe, seconded by Chi Hang, that we add two new positions to the Board of Directors as outlined below, and forward the constitutional changes to the Annual General Meeting in October 2018.

The changes to the Constitution are outlined below:

Constitution

Existing	Proposed
7.2.1.1.3 Individual members, the number determined prior to each election and to be such as to bring the total voting membership of the Board to a maximum of twenty-seven. Individual members could also serve as Chapter Representatives. *Note: This is in error – at the moment, we have twenty-six voting members. With the change to the presidency, we will go down to 25.*	7.2.1.1.3 Individual members, the number determined prior to each election by the Elections/Nominations Committee, so as to bring the total voting membership of the Board to a maximum of twenty-seven (27). Three of the elected directors are to represent grades K-6, three directors are to represent grades 7-12, one director is to represent the colleges and one director is to represent the universities. Individual members could also serve as Chapter Representatives.
Looking at the list of non-voting members, we will need to add a clause.	7.2.1.2.2.5 The Emeritus Executive member.

The intention of this motion is to ensure that the board has a representative from our universities and the community colleges. We do recognize that

there are many colleges in the province and that we might need to be flexible about who would be eligible to run for that position.
Carried

Results of the Election:
President – Elect: Paul Alves
2021 Director JK – 6: Freda Liu
2021 Director 7- 12+: Melissa Black
2020 Director replacing Tom Boland is Melissa Baker-Cox

Any other business: Moved by Jill Lazarus, seconded by Anne Yeager, that the ballots be destroyed. Carried.

Questions from the floor: None

Thanks and farewell to Judy Mendaglio as Past-President, Jill Lazarus as President and welcome to David Petro as President and Paul Alves as President- Elect.