



MINUTES
Annual General Meeting
Friday, October 2, 2015
Edmonton, AB

Minutes:

1. **Meeting**

Meeting called to order at 8:50am by Heather McAuley, Chair of MBC. Theresa Sanders, Office Manager recorded the Minutes. Opening remarks include welcome to member delegates, thank you to Edmonton Twin & Triplet Club for hosting the 2015 conference and introduction of current Board Members and Kimberley Weatherall, Executive Director and Theresa Sanders, Office Manager. Greetings from ICOMBO (read by Shirley Combden) and Multiples of America (via video teleconferencing).

Note of changes to agenda to add Bylaw #3 Article #3 Amendment.

2. **Instructions to Delegates**

Heather McAuley instructed delegates on voting procedures. Lori Oldfield and Heather McAuley prepared the Credential Report.

3. **Credential Report** - presented by Heather McAuley

Number of members present and eligible to vote: 38; Total No. of Votes: 106

Simple Majority (50% + 1) = 54; 2/3 majority = 71

Notice of Meeting produced and placed on file by Heather McAuley

Motion that the Notice of Meeting was produced and placed on file moved by Heather McAuley, seconded by Gail Moore. Motion Carried.

4. **Approval of Minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting**

Heather McAuley made a Motion to approve the 2014 Annual General Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Charissa Scott. Motion Carried.

5. **Financial Review for Year Ended March 31, 2015**

Shirley Combden reviewed Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Surpluses for the year ended March 31, 2015 with delegates. Shirley made a Motion to approve the 2014-15 Financial Statements as presented, seconded by Tania Cuglietta. Motion Carried.

6 **Election of Board of Directors** (presented by Kimberley Weatherall)

Kimberley started with the two current Board members who are stepping down - Wanda Bell and Sheila Catto - thank you issued by Kimberley on behalf of the MBC Board for their years of service and dedication. Note that Sheila will be staying on as a volunteer in the role of Higher Order Multiples Support Network Chair.

The members seeking election are Cathy Brohman (Director of Support Services) Shirley Combden (Director of Finance and Fund Development) - Kimberley noted that Shirley is remaining in the position to hold the place but is now actively recruiting a replacement and would ask chapters to ask their members to please contact the Board if interested; Carolyn Leighton-Hilborn (Director of Communications), Heather McAuley (Director of volunteer Management), Elaine Nugent (Director of Information Management), Lori Oldfield (Director of Technical Services). Vote by acclamation. Kimberley noted that the Officers will be chosen by the new Board at their first meeting following the AGM. Kimberley made a motion to accept the slate as presented, seconded by Katie Vigen. Motion Carried.

7. **By-law #3 Article #3 Amendment** (presented by Heather McAuley)

Heather read the Amendment to Bylaw #3 Article #3 out loud to members as printed on the Proxy form and Notice of Meeting. Heather made a motion to accept the proposed amendment as presented to Bylaw #3 Article #3, seconded by Laurie Sylvester. Motion carried.

8. **Other Business:**

a. **Annual Report**

Kimberley Weatherall presented the highlights of the 2014-15 Annual Report as posted on the Website.

b. **2016 Retreat**

Durham Parents of Multiples Association did a presentation announcing they are hosting the 2016 Volunteer Retreat September 23-25, 2016 in Ajax, ON. The theme will be "Re-connect, Re-energize, Re-ignite, and Remember.

c. **I Push Karma**

Kimberley announced that Gail Moore signed us up for a contest to win \$2,000 through "I Push Karma" which was promoted through Social Media. Thanks to Gail and all members who promoted and signed up and voted, MBC was chosen as one of the 10 organizations who were awarded the funding.

d. **Announcements**

Gail Moore did a quick update on the last 10 years of seeking equal benefits for families of multiple births seeking Employment Insurance for Parental Leave. Also advised on current Federal Election Party Platforms. Member informed of current case in front of Human Rights Commission so process continues to be ongoing at the Federal level.

e. **2017 Conference**

Heather commented that there has been interest expressed in hosting the 2017 Conference but nothing has been decided so if members and chapters are interested in learning more, please seek out Board Members for more information.

f. **Questions or Comments**

There were no questions or comments from members.

9. **Closing Remarks:** Heather McAuley thanked members for attending the 2015 Annual General Meeting.
10. **Meeting Adjournment:** Heather McAuley adjourned the meeting at 9:47 am.