



THE CIRCLE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MATERIAL COMPILATION

JUNE 15 2021

12:30 - 1:00 PM PT | 1:30 - 2:00 PM MT | 3:30 - 4:00 PM ET

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THE CIRCLE ON PHILANTHROPY AND ABORIGINAL PEOPLES IN CANADA

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AGENDA	
1	Welcome and call to order
2	Review membership list and confirm quorum
3	Review and approve Meeting Minutes of June 23 2020 AGM
4	Report from Co-Chairs, Tim Fox & Jenn Miller
5	Governing Circle director appointments <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Term renewals- New Director
6	Reports from the Treasurer
7	Motion to appoint Auditors of the Corporation
8	Year in Review, Kris Archie & Shereen Munshi
9	Other business
10	Adjournment

THE CIRCLE ON PHILANTHROPY AND ABORIGINAL PEOPLES IN CANADA
Annual General Meeting
MEETING MINUTES

Date: JUNE 23, 2020

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Location: Virtual
Platform: Zoom


2020 AGENDA

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Review and approval of minutes of June 18, 2019 AGM
3. Reports from the Co-Chairs
4. Reports from the Treasurer
5. To appoint the Auditors of the Corporation for the ensuing year
6. Appoint new Governing Circle directors
7. Report on the previous year's activities
8. Other business
9. Adjournment

ATTENDEES:

In order of screen appearance

 *Member (as of June 20 2020)*

 *Pending Membership (as of June 20 2020) / Not a member*

- Eddy Adra, **Coast Funds**
- Sadia Zaman, **Inspirit Foundation**
- Jessica Mitchell, **Calgary Foundation**
- Amy Buskirk, **Donner Canadian Foundation**
- Jenn Miller, **Atkinson Foundation**
- Jennifer Johnston, **Central City Foundation**
- Kevin McCort, **Vancouver Foundation**
- Martina Ulrich, **Pathy Family Foundation**
- Kenn Richard, **Indigenous Spirit Fund | Native Child and Family Services of Toronto**
- Jess Bolduc, **4Rs Youth Movement**
- Brodie Guy, **Coast Funds | Governing Circle Director**
- Chris Googoo, **Ulnooweg Indigenous Communities Foundation**

- Narinder Dhama, LEAP
- Dani DeBoice, Suncor
- Brent Martin, The Martin Family
- Katie MacDonald, Calgary Foundation
- Susan Manwaring, Miller Thomson LLP
- Jess Housty, Nature United
- Todd Hoskin, Ulnooweg | Governing Circle Director
- Susan Smitten, RAVEN Trust | Governing Circle Director
- Justin Wiebe, Mastercard Foundation | Governing Circle Director
- Sara Lyons, Community Foundations of Canada | Governing Circle Director
- Tim Fox, Calgary Foundation | Governing Circle Director
- Diana Etherington, Mountain Equipment Co-Op
- Jessica Mitchell

Agenda	Discussion and Motion
<p>1. Welcome and call to order</p> <p>Acknowledge quorum</p>	<p>Quorum in the room</p> <p>Motion: Call AGM to Order Moved by: Todd Hoskin, Ulnooweg & Director of Circle Seconded by: Katie McDonald, Calgary Foundation All approved</p>
<p>2. Review and approval of minutes of June 18, 2019 AGM</p>	<p>Review 2019 AGM Minutes. No comments or amendments.</p> <p>Motion: Approve the Minutes AGM 2019 Motion: Katie McDonald, Calgary Foundation Seconded: Brodie Guy, Coast Funds All Approved</p>
<p>3. Report from the Co-Chairs</p>	<p>Tim: We're excited to have you join us for the 2020 AGM. Last year we gathered on the traditional territories of Treaty number 7 and home to the Tsuut'ina Nation at the amazing Grey Eagle Resort. This year, as we heard, you are joining us from traditional territories from across the country/Turtle Island.</p> <p>Sara: 2019 was a strong year of flourishing for the Circle. The staff team, for whom the Board has an immense appreciation, has hosted important events, conversations, and trainings, amongst other things. Many of you joining us today had an opportunity to be part of events hosted by the Circle and therefore directly experienced our impact.</p>

In the context of the AGM, I reflect particularly on the strength of our Board and qualities of our relationships. A highlight of 2019 for me was the Board retreat, held in person in December, where we spent two days together reflecting on our work, our impact and strategy. We also took the time to get out on the land.

We would like to thank our Board colleagues for their time, passion, dedication and wisdom. The current Board has been together for two years now and this stable time together has been a gift, allowing us to get to know each other and to grow as a team. Indigenous and non-Indigenous from across Canada, including the North, have nourished our connection to Indigenous communities, worldviews, and approaches to philanthropy.

As introduced last year the organization and the board worked in seasonally aligned rhythms- Spring: tending the soil, planting seeds and ideas, Summer: tending our relationships, visiting, celebration and fun, Fall: tending the harvest, sharing and gratitude, Winter: tending the fire, reflection, learning, and planning.

Tim: For me, this past year has also been about the continued urgency to facilitate the conversations, dialogue and change needed for our sector, while also amplifying the knowledge that exists within our Indigenous Nations. A point in time that has impacted us, the world over, is the current health crisis and the crisis sparked by the inhumane murder of George Floyd and the Black and Indigenous men and woman who followed and lost their lives to an unequal, harmful unjust system. It would be against my personal values not to acknowledge this point in time and the call to action it has, yet again, surfaced for Indigenous, Black and people of color. Let me clear, this fight for social justice and equality is not unprecedented for our communities. These are efforts that our people have been making for decades and dare I say, since the point of first contact. Once again, hand to heart to the organizers of this Racial Equity &

	<p>Justice in Philanthropy Funder's Summit. Our fight continues.</p> <p>2019 was the first full year of the Circle adopting a Co-Chair model. As hoped, this model has opened space for new creativity and strategic thinking and, we hope, modelled partnership by having an Indigenous and non-Indigenous Chair.</p> <p>This AGM marks the end of our time with several Board members, all of whom have been with us for many years, serving two full terms.</p> <p>Amyl Lalji has been a dedicated and insightful member bringing professional wisdom, extensive experience and amazing hosting skills. Thank you for your contributions including welcoming the entire Board to your home to feast together.</p> <p>Jennifer Brennan has brought us clarity of thought, strategic thinking and warmth. Thank you for making us better and stronger and being a rock whenever the waters got choppy.</p> <p>Andrew Bear Robe carries so much wisdom and life experience and has played an informal Elder role to our organization. We've been privy to Andrew's reflections and we thank you for your words, acknowledge your survival from the residential school experience and lift you up as you continue to impact the world with your teachings and wisdom.</p> <p>Sara Lyons has been my co-Chair and an amazing support in coaching me on the nuances of this role while providing invaluable insights from her journey and years of involvement on the governing circle! While we sometimes found ourselves with differing perspectives along the way, I am grateful to have pushed through those differences for the greater good and still maintain a grounded friendship.</p> <p>Through 2019 we have continued to deepen our relationships with and support to Indigenous communities and Indigenous-led charities. We have</p>
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	<p>named, nudged, and grappled with difficult and important challenges and opportunities facing settler-led philanthropy in Canada: how to decolonize wealth, how to shift power and how to decentre whiteness and colonialism in philanthropic organizations.</p> <p>The Board, and we as Co-Chairs, are thankful to our staff team, Kris and Shereen, for their brave and thoughtful leadership and hard work. Their power is palpable and important in making change.</p> <p>Sara: Thank you members for your support. We also acknowledge our members who've been with us along the way. We are proud and grateful to be working with you and learning together with you.</p> <p>On a more personal note, as I wrap up my time as a Board member and as Chair, I want to express my personal gratitude to the staff and Board, current and past. A major part of the Circle's origin story goes back to a mud-soaked meeting in Winnipeg in 2009, which I vividly remember attending, 6 months pregnant with my first child, feeling like I was being exposed to something incredible, important and dynamic. The Circle has been a cherished part of my life since then and it does feel hard to let go. Like that now almost 11-year-old girl, it's grown a lot and taken on a spirit and force that I never imagined and doesn't come from me.</p> <p>My time with the Circle, and particularly my 3 years as Chair, has been one of the biggest honours and growing opportunities of my life. To work hard and well for an organization, a group of people and a change that you believe in is a gift. Thank you for allowing me to experiment, learn, hurt and thrive as a leader. Continue to transform philanthropy with moral clarity, courage and now, more than ever, the winds of change at your back.</p>
<p>4. Report from the Treasurer</p>	<p>Todd: High level overview of financials shared in the meeting material package and the 2017 notice to reader statements</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notes financial health of the organization improving over the years. Congratulations to staff on the work. - Good story of where The Circle is now and where it is positioned to go <p>No questions/comments from the floor</p> <p>Motion: Accept the financial report as presented Moved by: Susan Smitten, R.A.V.E.N Seconded by: Katie MacDonald, Calgary Foundation All in Favour</p>
<p>5. To appoint the Auditors of the Corporation for the ensuing year</p>	<p>Sara: we have already appointed auditors for 2020 at the 2019 AGM</p> <p>Clear motion is on record, 2017, 2018, and 2019 auditors, Fruin Group</p> <p>N/A in this year</p> <p>Eddy Adra: A note on auditors, I think we still need to nominate auditors for the 2020 fiscal year.</p> <p>Kris: We will reconvene as needed to appoint necessary auditors for our 2020 year</p>
<p>6. Appoint new Governing Circle directors</p>	<p>Sara:</p> <p>Reviews current state of the Governing Circle and Governing Circle Committees.</p> <p>Reviews and presents slate of candidates for election, for a term of 3 years to replace the 4 moves and 1 vacancy.</p> <p>Invite nominations from the floor.</p> <p>No nominations.</p> <p>Welcome new board members.</p> <p>Motion: To accept the nomination of: Cúagilákv, Jess Housty</p>

	<p>Jenn Miller Narinder Dhani Sadia Zaman Susan Manwaring to the board of directors of the circle for the period of 2019 to 2022</p> <p>Moved by: Jennifer Johnston, Central City Seconded by: Kevin McCort, Vancouver Foundation All in Favour</p>
7. Report on the previous year's activities	<p>Kris: Pulls highlights and shares from year in review</p> <p>Shares 3 words to describe year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stability - new staff in coming marks - Integration - deeply held and embedded Indigenous world views in our governance and operations - Relationships - reorienting toward the amplification of Indigenous wisdom and Indigenous-led organizations - that is the future for transformation in the philanthropic sector
8. Other business	<p><i>No other business presented.</i></p>
9. Adjournment	<p>Motion: to adjourn this years AGM Moved by: Todd Hoskin Seconded by: Katie MacDonald All in Favour</p>

Notice to Reader

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of The Circle on Philanthropy as at December 31, 2020 and the statements of operations and changes in net assets for the year then ended.

We have not performed an audit or a review engagement in respect of these financial statements and, accordingly, we express no assurance thereon.

Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

RH&ALLP
Chartered Professional Accountants

Burnaby, BC
May 7, 2021

The Circle on Philanthropy
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2020

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	2020	2019
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 299,549	\$ 80,908
Accounts receivable	107,250	112,850
Sales tax recoverable	11,853	11,343
Total Current Assets	<u>418,652</u>	<u>205,101</u>
Non-current Assets		
Capital assets - net of accumulated amortization	5,162	3,024
Guaranteed investments	3,000	3,000
Total Non-current Assets	<u>8,162</u>	<u>6,024</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 426,814</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 211,125</u></u>
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	-	78,687
Accrued liabilities	-	22,387
Deferred revenue	43,088	-
Total Liabilities	<u>43,088</u>	<u>101,074</u>
Net Assets		
Unrestricted net assets	383,725	110,050
Total Net Assets	<u>383,725</u>	<u>110,050</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 426,814</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 211,125</u></u>

The Circle on Philanthropy
Statement of Operations
For the year ended December 31, 2020

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	2020	2019
Revenue		
Memberships - friends	\$ 216,600	\$ 97,196
Donations	351,589	389,748
Consulting services - circle	101,469	13,300
Conference fess - non-members	-	21,237
Conference fees - members	-	2,500
Registrations - webinars	-	23,168
Interest revenue	19	15
Total Revenue	<u>669,678</u>	<u>547,164</u>
Expenses		
Amortization	1,193	-
Audit & legal	2,598	-
Bank service charges	1,412	928
Board meetings	1,491	14,092
Communications	3,950	637
Conference facilities	-	59,145
Conference - misc.	34,978	-
Consultants	59,371	116,463
Executive director travel	2,261	21,479
Hospitality	1,829	1,170
Meetings	1,418	1,009
Office supplies	9,109	994
Other	27,737	-
Outreach meeting and travel	6,801	1,726
Payroll	208,533	172,261
Professional development	2,771	571
Speaker fees	24,452	-
Travel - administration	6,098	36,625
Travel	-	27,685
Total Expenses	<u>396,002</u>	<u>454,785</u>
Excess Revenue Over Expenses	<u>\$ 273,675</u>	<u>\$ 92,378</u>

The Circle on Philanthropy
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For the year ended December 31, 2020

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	2020	2019
Opening balance	\$ 110,050	\$ 17,672
Excess Revenue Over Expenses	273,675	92,378
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 383,725</u>	<u>\$ 110,050</u>