Minutes of the
100th Meeting of
the Corporation of
Scouts Canada

at
Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland
115 Cavendish Square
St. John’s, Newfoundland & Labrador

1:00 pm NT

November 19, 2011
MINUTES OF THE 100th MEETING OF THE CORPORATION OF SCOUTS CANADA

NO. 1 WELCOME:

Steve welcomed the members to the 100th meeting of the Corporation of Scouts Canada and called the meeting to order at 1:30pm NT. The AGM was broadcast live via the internet.

Steve introduced the head table: Jessica Page, Vice Chair of the Board – Strategic, Jon Himmens, Vice Chair of Finance and Jessica Page, Vice Chair of the Board – Strategic and Rob Stewart, who was sitting in for Janet Yale, Executive Commissioner and CEO of Scouts Canada,

The Chief Commissioner provided delegates with a brief overview of voting instructions prior to proceeding with the business of the meeting. The scrutineers were identified in the room.

NO. 2 INVOCATION AND GONE HOME:

Karl West presented the invocation. Scouts Canada recognized Scouters who have ‘Gone Home’ since the last meeting:

David Hamilton

Past President of the National Capital Region and the Ontario Council (1990’s), council treasurer and active Camp Opemikon volunteer. Scouter for 60 years and Silver Wolf recipient.

David Pattie

Regional Executive Director with the Vancouver Island Region (BCY) for 32 years and always had a big smile. He was one of the best “cheerleaders” a volunteer could work with, enjoying many summers working at the Council Camp. Recipient of the Silver Maple Leaf awarded to members of the Executive Staff who have served in excess of 25 years.

Dorothy Patricia (Patsy) Gemmill

Wife of John Gemmill, former World Scout Committee member, long time Scouts Canada National Council and BC-Yukon Council member

Joseph E Turner

Joe was recently honoured for 70 years involvement in Scouting, including 25 years as Ontario Executive Director. Among other accomplishments, he implemented the Trees For Canada Program and received highest Scouting award from the Governor-General of Canada.

Don Lavers

Former Council Executive Director for what was called the National Capital Region

Wendell Phinney

Honorary Member from Nova Scotia

Major Hassanali Rasool

Founding member of the 1st Ismaili Scouts Group in Canada. (Burnaby, BC)

A moment of silence followed.
NO. 3  SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE AND REGRETS:
Rob Stewart read regrets from Sean Naldrett, Derek Key, and John Estrella, Members of the Board of Governors.

NO. 4  APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:
Rob Stewart brought forward the previously circulated Minutes of the 99th Meeting for approval. Hearing no errors or omissions, the following Motion was made:

MOTION:
Moved that the Minutes of the 99th Meeting of the Corporation of Scouts Canada on November 20, 2010, as circulated following that meeting, be approved.

Moved: Rob Stewart  Seconded: Kyle Tiney  CARRIED

Steve Kent addressed the group and thanked everyone for their hard work and support for the Scouting Now Action Plan and Scouting Movement. Special thanks went to the Board of Governors, National Leadership Team and Senior Management Team for their commitment and to the rest of the volunteers and employees who have made it possible to reach to 100 000 young Canadians involved in Scouting. He also welcomed everyone to Newfoundland for the first time, as an Annual General Meeting has never taken place there before.

NO. 6  REPORT TO MEMBERS FROM THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER AND CHAIR OF THE BOARD:

MOTION:
Moved that the Report of the Chief Commissioner and Chair of the Board to the Members be accepted.

Moved: Larry Rivers  Seconded: Dick Riewe  CARRIED

NO. 6 REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Glenn Armstrong, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented a brief overview of the Nominations Report (see attached).

Chief Commissioner Reappointment
Glenn Armstrong submitted for approval by the Voting Members, the Nominating Committee’s recommendation for Chief Commissioner, which needs to go forward to The Patron Scout of Canada, His Excellency The Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Glenn made the following Motion;
MOTION:
That Scouts Canada makes recommendation to the Governor General for re-appointment as Chief Commissioner, Mr. Stephen (Steve) P. Kent of Mount Pearl, NL.

Moved: Glenn Armstrong    Seconded: Mike Jowett    CARRIED

NO. 7 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS
Glenn Armstrong submitted for acceptance, by the Voting Members, that portion of the nominating Committee’s report respecting the 18 members of the Board, the two Vice-Chairs, the 10 Honorary Officers with voting rights, and the 145 Honorary Members Non-Voting of the Scouts Canada Corporation.

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Glenn made the following Motion,

MOTION:
The acceptance of that portion of the Nominating Committee’s report respecting the 18 members of the Board, the two Vice-Chairs, the 10 Honorary Officers and the approximate 145 Honorary Members Non-Voting as circulated in the report:

Moved: Glenn Armstrong    Seconded: Neal Rice    CARRIED

NO. 8 SELECTION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
The Chief Commissioner confirmed that all nominations received must be Voting Members of the Corporation. The top three candidates will be nominated and should include one youth.

The Chief Commissioner received the following nominations from the floor: Chris Pike, Newfoundland and Labrador Council (Adult), Charles Brenchley, Quebec Council (Youth) and Kaylee Galipeau, Northern Lights Council (Youth). All three candidates accepted their nominations and there was no need for ballots.

NO. 9 MOTIONS PRESENTED TO THE MEMBERS BY THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

MOTION:
WHEREAS the term of Council Voting Representatives as set out in By-Law No. 2 is a challenge as it relates to voting at the Annual General Meeting;

AND WHEREAS Policy 1014 relates to the Election of Voting Members;

AND WHEREAS the Board of Governors has approved the referral of a consequential By-Law amendment to a vote at the Annual General Meeting;

AND WHEREAS notice to the Voting Members of a motion for By-Law amendment at the Annual General Meeting is less than 30 days;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that
1. the notice period be waived as permitted by Article III c. (3); and

2. the Scouts Canada By-Law be revised as follow:

Consequential Amendment of By-Law No. 2 Article II a. (5)

Voting Members, other than Council Voting Representatives, shall serve in such capacity for a one (1) year period commencing on the termination of the annual general meeting of Members immediately following their election or appointment, (or at which they are elected, in the case of members of the Board and Honorary Officers), and ending at the conclusion of the next succeeding annual general meeting of Members.

Council Voting Representatives shall serve in such capacity for a one (1) year period commencing on the date of their election and shall be deemed to be a Voting Member for all purposes of this By-Law during their tenure as a Council Voting Representative and are entitled to vote at such annual general meetings or special meetings of Members as shall occur during their tenure.

Where a Council Voting Representative is elected as a member of the Nominating Committee in accordance with this By-Law such person shall remain as a member of the Nominating Committee in like manner as a Voting Member while carrying out the duties of the Nominating Committee.

Note: the wording highlighted in yellow is the proposed amendment to the By-Law

Steve introduced the background of the resolution, as part of the Action Plan Scouts Canada is focused on becoming a more inclusive and democratic organization, this resolution would help make the process of electing voting delegates better streamlined and open.

Moved: Peter Ford  Seconded: Andrew Bienhaus  CARRIED

NO. 10 ADOPTION OF AUDITORS REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:
Jon Himmens, Vice-Chair, Finance introduces the auditor report and financial statements. Scouts Canada was audited by KPMG. The audit was reviewed by the Scouts Canada Audit Committee and the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors moved to approve the audit.

MOTION:
Moved that the Auditor’s Report for the Scouts Canada National Operation dated November 7, 2011 be accepted; and that the financial statements of the National Operation of Scouts Canada for the year ending August 31, 2011 be accepted.

Moved: Jon Himmens  Seconded: Michelle Cassel  CARRIED

NO. 11 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR 2010/2011:
Jon Himmens expressed his deep appreciation for our auditors, KPMG for their continued support over the past Scouting year.
MOTION:
Moved that the firm of KPMG be appointed as Auditors for the National Operation for the year ending August 31, 2012.

Moved: Jon Himmens Seconded: Herb Ripley CARRIED

NO. 12 ADOPTION OF THE 2010-2011 ANNUAL REPORT:
The Scouts Canada Annual Report is printed both official languages (English and French) and will be available on the website. It is a comprehensive overview of the last year and highlights the accomplishments of the work completed in the Scouting Now Action Report.

MOTION:
Moved that the Annual Report of the National Operation of Scouts Canada for the year ending August 31, 2011, be adopted.

Moved: David Millie Seconded: Shirley Rivers CARRIED

NO. 13 TRIBUTE TO ADULT VOLUNTEERS:
Andrew Price, Deputy National Commissioner – Volunteer Services, asked for the following Motion:

MOTION:
It gives me great pleasure to salute the tireless efforts and the outstanding dedication of volunteers who make our programs so successful. Volunteers have, and will continue to inspire young people to be thoughtful, contributing members of Canadian society. I move we sincerely recognize the contribution of all Scouts Canada volunteers.

Moved: Dick Riewe Seconded: Cindy Mei CARRIED

NO. 14 APPRECIATION TO SPONSORS/PARTNERS:
Dylan Reinhart, National Youth Commissioner, made the following Motion:

MOTION:
On behalf of Scouts Canada, I would like to extend our sincere and grateful appreciation to all of our Sponsors/Partners across this great nation, who support and dedicate themselves to aiding us to fulfill our Mission to Canadian youth.

Moved: Phil Gazaleh Seconded: David Connelly CARRIED

NO. 15 OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Special Guests:
David Huestis, Ambassador to the WOSM and Past President of Scouts Canada, Senator Consiglio Di Nino, Honorary Voting Member and Former President of the Greater Toronto Region, Robert Nowlan, National Commissioner for Association des Scouts du Canada, Wayne McMillan of the Canadian Fellowship of BP Guilds and Stephen Peck of The Scout Association, UK.
(b) Confirmation of Acts:
MOTION:
Be it resolved that all acts, by-laws, proceedings, appointments, elections, and payments enacted, made, done and taken by the Board of Governors and the National Leadership Team members since the last annual meeting of the Corporation, referred to in the minutes of these bodies, of the Annual General Meeting or of the Annual Report, or in any way connected with the day-to-day business of the Corporation, are hereby approved and confirmed.

Moved: Jon Immens    Seconded: Di Nino    CARRIED

(c) Presentation of Awards:
- Bruce Hunter – Assistant National Youth Commissioner – Central
- Kaylee Galipeau – Council Youth Commissioner, Northern Lights Council
- Stephen Monica – Council Youth Commissioner, Greater Toronto Council
- Kyle van Delft – Council Youth Commissioner, Cascadia Council
- Mike Scott – National Leadership Team, International Commissioner
- John Chow – National Leadership Team, Deputy National Commissioner – Growth
- Kathleen Provost – National Leadership Team, Deputy National Commissioner – Development
- Christopher (Chris) von Roretz – Board of Governors, Member
- Kyle Tiney – Board of Governors, Member
- Karl West – Board of Governors, Member

(d) Closing Comments:
Chief Commissioner Steve Kent thanked everyone for their support over the year and is looking forward to the future.

NO. 16 ADJOURNMENT:

Steve Kent called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION:
That the 100th Meeting of the Scouts Canada Corporation was adjourned at 2:30pm NT

Moved: Larry Rivers    Seconded: David Millie    CARRIED