

Atlantic Association of Planning Technicians
Annual General Meeting
June 13, 2002
Centre of Geographic Sciences, Lawrencetown Nova Scotia

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Ruth Thurston, Past President
Alden Thurston, Nova Scotia Representative
Peter Corbett, Acting Treasurer and Membership Chair
Marlene Clements, Secretary
Mike Donnelly, Education Committee Member
Mark Hebert, Web Master
David Raymond
Megan Burbidge
Lori Cook
Mike Thompson
Jeff Merrill
Adam Holmes
Brian MacCulloch
Piers Churchill
Britt Roscoe
Ed Symons
Cheryl Mackintosh
Jami Fay
Don Bickford

MINUTES OF LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It was moved by Mike Thompson and seconded by Mark Hebert that the minutes of the June 9, 2000 Annual General Meeting be approved.

Motion Carried

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

AAPT Bylaw Review

The AAPT Bylaw was not discussed at this meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ruth reported that a letter was received from Grace Proszynska requesting her name be removed from the AAPT email list.

A letter was received from Hillary Campbell discussing an error with depositing membership renewal fees and is attached to the Financial Report for June 2002.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The June 2002 Financial report was distributed showing a balance of \$ 4547.12. Ruth Thurston reviewed the financial report for June 2002.

NEW BUSINESS

Adobe Acrobat Purchase

Mike Donnelly outlined some of the benefits of Adobe Acrobat. He explained that the files can be made available on the AAPT website possibly with an assigned password for AAPT members only. The software costs approximately \$249 US.

It was moved by Mike Thompson and seconded by Don Bickford to purchase the Adobe Acrobat Software.

Motion Carried

AAPT Website

Ruth Thurston mentioned that Mark Hebert has taken over the duties of updating and maintaining the AAPT website. Ruth thanked Mark for the great job, and stated that the website was looking good.

Mike Donnelly requested that all members keep him informed of any email changes and to forward current email addresses to him if necessary.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ruth Thurston put forward the names from the Membership Committee Report for the Executive as follows:

President ó Alden Thurston
Vice-President ó Mark Hebert
Secretary ó Marlene Clements
Treasurer ó Peter Corbett
Nova Scotia Representative ó Megan Burbidge
PEI Representative ó Alton Glen
New Brunswick Representative ó Lori Cook
Newfoundland Representative ó vacant
Membership Chair ó Peter Corbett

Ruth explained the role of the Education Committee and expressed the hope that Ed Symons would take the place of Mike Donnelly, who is taking a year off. Ruth offered to serve on the Committee as well. Ruth then asked for other volunteers. The following people offered to serve: Mike Thompson, Don Bickford, and Jeff Merrill.

All positions were filled by acclamation.

It was moved by Ruth Thurston and seconded by Mike Thompson that the following nominations be appointed as the 2002-2003 AAPT Executive.

Motion Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

List Server for the AAPT

Jeff Merrill suggested the possibility of establishing a list server similar to the NSPAD for AAPT members. After a brief discussion, Ruth asked Mark Hebert to investigate and bring forward the findings at the next Executive meeting.

Canadian Institute of Planning Technicians

Jeff Merrill questioned the relation of the AAPT to the CACPT, and if joint memberships to both organizations was a possibility. Ruth explained that this had been considered in the past, and it was discovered that it could be fairly expensive and would require revisions to the AAPT bylaws.

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Atlantic Planners Institute

Mark Hebert questioned if an AAPT Executive member attended the Atlantic Planners conference. Ruth stated that a member has attended in the past, and it would be possible to send a member if someone was interested.

Presenter Gifts

Ruth thanked the four presenters, Mike Donnelly, Dave Raymond, Ed Symons, and Piers Churchill for the great job. Ruth then presented each with a gift.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mike Thompson and seconded by Don Bickford that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 4:40 pm.

Motion Carried