



**MINUTES**  
**Gwaii Trust Board Meeting**  
**May 25, 2023, 6:30 – 9:00 pm**  
**Via Zoom**

<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>	<b>Area Director</b>	<b>Area Alternate</b>
	Graham Island Central	Maureen Bailey	Berry Wijdeven
	Graham Island South	Clyde Greenough	Absent
	Area 'E'	Laurie Chisholm	Flavien Mabit
	Graham Island North	Bret Johnston	Absent
	Skidegate Band Council	Absent	Michelle (Ooka) Pineault
	CHN Old Massett	Lisa Hageman	Vince Collison
	Old Massett Village Council	Freda Davis	Jade Collison
	CHN Skidegate	Erica (Gidin Jaad) Reid	Absent
<b>Chair &amp; Staff:</b>	Chair	Huux Percy Crosby	
	Chief Operations Officer	Carla Lutner	
	Finance & Admin. Assistant	Ruby Decock	
<b>Regrets:</b>	Director Billy Yovanovich		
<b>Guests:</b>	Derek Lamb, Chan Nowosad Boates Chartered Professional Accountants		

*Note: The following is an accurate reporting of the meetings as they occurred, however these minutes are not to be construed as a verbatim report of all conversations that transpired, but rather a reflection of the outcome of those discussions, where necessary members have been quoted as closely as possible.*

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm

**2. Excusals**

As noted.

**3. Message from the Chair**

Just completed interviews for Executive Director & Chief Operations Officer. Director Gidin Jaad Erica Reid said an opening prayer.

**4. Call for amendments to the agenda**

No amendments to the agenda.

**5. Call for adoption of the agenda**

The agenda was adopted as presented.

**Moved by:** Maureen Bailey  
**Seconded by:** Bret Johnston

**CARRIED**



## 6. 2022 Financial Statements

Derek Lamb of Chan Nowosad Boates Chartered Professional Accountants presented the Gwaii Trust Society 2022 Audited Financial Statements.

*Alternate Director Vince Collison entered the meeting at 6:43 pm.*

*Director Freda Davis entered the meeting at 6:53 pm*

*Derek Lamb left the meeting at 7:00 pm.*

The Chief Operating Officer presented the Haida Gwaii Community Foundation Financial Statements ending October 31, 2022.

After review and discussion, the Gwaii Trust Society Board of Directors made a motion to approve the Gwaii Trust Society Audit Findings Report and Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2022 and the Haida Gwaii Foundations Report for the year ending October 31, 2022.

<b>Moved by:</b>	<b>Freda Davis</b>		
<b>Seconded by:</b>	<b>Clyde Greenough</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>	<b>DR# 23 05 25 - 15</b>

## 7. 2022 Annual Report

The Board discussed the 2022 Annual Report and approved the report with amendments to replace the financial summary with the current year's and to update the rate of return to 0.46.

<b>Moved by:</b>	<b>Maureen Bailey</b>		
<b>Seconded by:</b>	<b>Laurie Chisholm</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>	<b>DR# 23 05 25 – 16</b>

## 8. Consent Agenda

The following items were adopted as presented.

- a) Previous Minutes:
  - i. April 29, 2023 Draft Board Business & Allocation Meeting Minutes
- b) Committee Reports
  - i. Executive Committee Report
  - ii. Haida Gwaii Community Foundation Committee Report
  - iii. Audit Committee Report
    - a. Investment results Q1 2023
  - iv. Chief Operating Officer Report
    - a. Dashboard April 2023

<b>Moved by:</b>	<b>Erica Reid</b>		
<b>Seconded by:</b>	<b>Michelle Pineault</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>	

*Alternate Director Berry Wijdeven entered the meeting at 7:06 pm.*



## 9. Action Items

- a) Board to revisit the Board engagement question within 6 months to determine if there has been improvement (May 26, 2022) **Complete**
- b) Add missing Indigenous women crisis to the Strategic Planning agenda (May 26, 2022).
- c) Haida Gwaii Community Foundation Committee to develop a donations and matching policy for the HGCF (September 24, 2022). **Complete**
- d) Add Arts policies/Arts Committee follow up in Strategic Planning (October 22, 2022).
- e) Chief Operations Officer to resend letter dated February 2022 to the Province of BC regarding the AGLT and request a response.
- f) Chief Operations Officer to also recirculate letter to the province to the Board of Directors **Complete**
- g) Chief Operations Officer to send a briefing note to the Council of the Haida Nation asking what they can do to the AGLT transfer to Gwaii Trust Society **Complete**
- h) Contact the media about the AGLT delays, specifically Angela Sterrit. **In progress**
- i) Contact Coastal First Nations about what support they can provide to advance AGLT. **In progress**
- j) Ask the Province of BC to remove Denis Doyle from the AGLT process. **In progress**

## 10. Audit Committee Recommendation

The Audit & Finance Committee suggested that the Investment Transition Frequently Asked Questions be a regularly circulated document that is reviewed by existing and new Gwaii Trust Society Board.

**Moved by:** Clyde Greenough  
**Seconded by:** Laurie Chisholm  
**CARRIED** **DR# 23 05 25 - 17**

## 11. Executive Committee Recommendation

The Gwaii Trust Society Board reviewed a special request from the Haida Gwaii Museum to receive funding for local transportation for BC Museums Association conference attendees.

The Board agreed to provide sponsorship of up to a maximum of \$10,500.00 to Haida Gwaii Museum for bus charters for three days for the BC Museums Association Conference to Haida Gwaii Museum.

**Moved by:** Clyde Greenough  
**Seconded by:** Lisa Hageman  
**CARRIED** **DR# 23 05 25 - 18**

The Gwaii Trust Society Board discussed and approved Harbour West's proposal:

- To develop and design a new Human Resource Policies & Procedures Manual; and
- To design and implement a Board of Directors evaluation for use on a regular basis.

**Moved by:** Maureen Bailey  
**Seconded by:** Freda Davis  
**CARRIED** **DR# 23 05 25 - 19**

**"IN CAMERA" All program discussion is held in camera: {GTS Policy: In camera sessions will be called to deal with issues of personnel, legal, financial matters and program allocation decisions. After the Board has taken a decision, the results become public and will be published}.**



## 12. Haida Gwaii Community Foundation Committee Recommendations

The COO provided an overview on the Haida Gwaii Community Foundation Committee (HGCF) Administrative Fee Policy and the Matching Donations Policy.

The Gwaii Trust Society Board adopted the Administrative Fee Policy and the Matching Donations Policy.

**Moved by:** Michelle Pineault  
**Seconded by:** Clyde Greenough **CARRIED** **DR# 23 05 25 - 20**

## 13. Scope Change Request – Naay Kagandas Saving House Society

The Gwaii Trust Society Board reviewed the Scope Change request and approved the request as presented.

**Moved by:** Maureen Bailey  
**Seconded by:** Clyde Greenough **CARRIED** **DR# 23 05 25 - 21**

## 14. Next meeting date

Annual General Meeting - June 17, 2023 at Sarah's Longhouse at 1:00 – 3:00 pm.

*Ruby Decock left the meeting at 7:26 pm.*

## 15. Director in-camera discussion

The Board of Directors went in-camera at 7:26 pm.

*Carla Lutner left the meeting at 7:38PM*

*Carla Lutner rejoined the meeting at 7:43PM*

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

**Moved by:** Bret Johnston **CARRIED**

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Huux Percy Crosby, Chair

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Carla Lutner, Chief Operations Officer

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