



MINUTES
Annual General Meeting
May 25, 2024, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Performance House, Haida Heritage Centre

In Attendance:	Representing:	Area Director	Area Alternate
	Graham Island Central	Maureen Bailey	
	Graham Island South		
	Area 'E'	Flavien Mabit	Laurie Chisholm
	Graham Island North		Terry Carty
	Skidegate Band Council		Michelle (Ooka) Pineault
	CHN Old Massett	Lisa Hageman	
	Old Massett Village Council	Freda Davis	
	CHN Skidegate	Gidin Jaad <i>Erica Reid</i>	
Chair & Staff:	Chair	Huux <i>Percy Crosby</i>	
	Chief Operations Officer	Carla Lutner	
	Communications Officer	Joey Rudichuk	
	Project Officer	Ruby Decock	
	Administrative Assistant	Aeden Parenteau	
Regrets:	Clyde Greenough (proxy Erica Reid)		
	Bret Johnston (proxy Maureen Bailey)		
	Billy Yovanovich (proxy Lisa Hageman)		
Guests:	Scott Lunney, George & Bell Consulting		
	Derek Lamb, Chan Nowosad Boates (Zoom)		

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 of the Gwaii Trust Board of Directors was called to order at 2:04pm

2. Excusals and proxies

As noted above.

3. Introductions

The Board, staff and guests were introduced by the Chair.

Lisa Bell provided a prayer in Xaad Kil, Erica Reid provided a prayer in Xaayda Kil.

4. Message from the Chair

The Chair welcomed everyone to the 2023 Annual General Meeting and provided his message.



5. Call for amendments to the agenda

The Chair had two additions to the agenda:

- 7a) Athlii Gwaii Legacy Trust Transfer Agreement
- 7b) Grant Improvements

There were no other amendments to the agenda.

6. Call for adoption of the agenda

The Members of the Gwaii Trust Society made a motion to adopt the agenda with amendments as outlined above.

Moved by: Maureen Bailey

Seconded by: Erica Reid

CARRIED

7. Call for Adoption of Previous Minutes

The Members of the Gwaii Trust Society reviewed the June 17, 2023, Annual General Meeting minutes. After discussion, the Board of Directors made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Moved by: Flavien Mabit

Seconded by: Erica Reid

CARRIED

7a. Athlii Gwaii Legacy Trust Transfer Agreement

The three trustees representing Athlii Gwaii Legacy Trust - Percy Crosby, Freda Davis, and Maureen Bailey - signed the transfer agreement to move the AGLT property to the Gwaii Trust Society. Upon signing, the Athlii Gwaii Legacy Trust no longer exists.

Director Erica Reid sang the Haida national anthem.

The Chair shared that there's an Athlii Gwaii meeting on June 7th.

7b. Grant Improvements

The Chair shared that there is a Grants Committee reviewing feedback from the public as well as recommendations from staff. He mentioned items that were currently under review by the committee, and noted that while their work is ongoing there are several changes to the Travel Assistance Grant which are effective immediately:

- Prepayment for the Travel Assistance Grant will now be made if the application is made at least 14 days prior to departure without receipts.
- Financial reporting can now be the submission of any receipts which reasonably demonstrate travel occurred (hotel, ferry, flight receipts).
- Players and chaperones for the Junior All Native can now apply for Travel Assistance if the team does not.

8. Approval of the 2023 Annual Report

The 2023 Gwaii Trust Annual Report was presented to the by the COO. There was a motion to approve the 2023 Annual Report as presented.

Moved by: Erica Reid

Seconded by: Flavien Mabit

CARRIED

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An acknowledgement was made for Vince Collison, the Alternate for CHN Old Massett, who passed away in 2024.

15. Questions from the Public

Question: On the website, why does the strategic plan only go to 2022?

Executive Director: There is a plan with deliverables, and it will be on the website soon.

Question: Has there been any work done to streamline the granting process?

Chair: Provided an overview of what was discussed earlier during agenda item 7b. Director Erica Reid recognized the speaker; at a past meeting, by speaking up about RBC investments that were not aligned with our mandate, she helped facilitate change.

Question: Is the reporting process changing, or just the Travel Assistance Grant?

Chair: Everything.

Question: Have you thought about an arts committee?

Chair: Yes. It hasn't been discussed yet, but it will.

Question: For the Community Innovation grant and the Major Contributions grant, how is the grant selected as things are prioritized?

Executive Director: The priorities were chosen by the Board in 2020 but haven't been reviewed since. The COO explained the current scoring process.

Question: (regarding the grant criteria) How do you know if it's the priority in your community?

Director Bailey: Generally speaking, we go back to the communities, hear them and share them. Applications that support all islanders have a higher score.

Door prizes were distributed.

Director Reid sang and drummed a song, and outgoing Director Freda Davis danced her paddle to life.

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:40pm.

Moved by: Lori Wiedeman

Seconded by: Lisa Hageman

CARRIED

Huux Percy Crosby
Chair

Carla Lutner
Executive Director

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