FREDERICTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, June 5, 2013 Delta Fredericton Hotel

Attendance

Haley Flaro Janice Corey Jorge Prudencio **Edwin Corey Andrew Steeves** Stephen Hill Chris Steeves Cathy Pugh Carl Duivenvoorden Robert Gallen Laurie Guthrie **Doug Williams** Mayor Brad Woodside Paul Martin Jill Dickinson Marilyn Wilson Jenna Kennedy Clara MacIntyre Carolyn Carter-Legacy Kimberly Geroge Shana Mitchell **Dolores Whalen** Shelly Pelkey Heather Black Ian LaPointe Lynn Fullarton **Paul Simmonds** Mark Mahoney Keir Clark Jan Rowinski Nick Norrad Dan Coleman Krista Ross **Morgan Peters** Stacey Murray Wendy Morrell

1) Welcome and Call to Order

President Janice Corey called the meeting to order at 8:00 am by welcoming all those in attendance. She recognized quorum.

a) Approval of the Agenda

Janice asked for approval of the Agenda. MOTION: Keir Clark moved to accept the agenda, Andrew Steeves seconded. Motion approved.

b) Approval of the Minutes of May 30, 2012 Janice asked for approval of the minutes. MOTION: Marilyn Wilson moved to accept the agenda, Paul Simmonds seconded. Motion approved.

2) Treasurer's Report – Nick Norrad

Treasurer Nick Norrad reported that the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce had another successful year of events, advocacy efforts and prudent financial management. The finances are in a positive position which will make it easier for future years. This year a scholarship fund has been created and funds will continue to grow in this as donations will be accepted throughout

the year. MOTION: Stephen Hill moved the acceptance of the Treasurer's Report as presented. Dan Coleman seconded the motion. Motion approved.

3) Presentation of the Audited Financial Report – Paul Martin

Paul Martin reported that the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce is compliant with Canadian Accounting principles. There have been no significant changes and the chamber is compliant with the new not-for-profit standards that were introduced this year. With a strong cash position and a surplus at the end of the year this puts the Fredericton Chamber in a positive position for the upcoming year. MOTION: Nick Norrad moved the acceptance of the Audited Financial Report as presented. Jill Dickinson seconded the motion. Motion approved.

4) Appointment of auditors for 2013-2014

MOTION: Nick Norrad made a motion to appoint Grant Thornton as the auditors for the 2013-2014 year. Keir Clark seconded the motion. Motion approved.

5) Chief Executive Officer Report – Krista Ross

Krista began by welcoming everyone and remarking that it is great to see a mixture of board members, and chamber members and community partners at the meeting. It is a great mix of members and community partners that makes our chamber strong. Krista thanked each chamber staff member for their hard work and dedication throughout the year and introduced Christine Little as the new Membership Development and Marketing Manager. Krista talked about how fortunate the Fredericton Chamber is to have such a great group of dedicated volunteers to sit on committees and help lead change in our city. Krista recognized Andrew Steeves as a great mentor and leader. His knowledge and humour at times and he will truly be missed as a strong board member. Krista said that Janice has also been a great mentor and leader and she knows that she will continue in that role as past president. Krista also said that the chamber team is excited to work the Chris Johnston as president and the new slate of board members in the upcoming year. Krista recognized the work of the board members who have completed their term and thanked them. Krista is also looking forward to working with our community partners Downtown Fredericton, Business Fredericton north, Enterprise Fredericton, Knowledge Park and the City of Fredericton.

6) Nomination Committee Report - Andrew Steeves

Andrew Steeves recognized the outgoing directors of the chamber: Marilyn Wilson; Brian Duplessis, Huan (Frank) Zhao; Adhir Mishra and himself. He thanked everyone for their contributions to the chamber. Andrew then introduced the new board members: Executive will consist of Chris Johnston, President; Janice Corey, Past President; Joseph O'Donnell, 1st Vice President; Stephen Hill, 2nd Vice President; Nick Norrad, Treasurer; Heather Black, Executive Member; Paul Simmonds, Executive Member. The board members will consist of: Mark MacKenzie; Dan Coleman; Laurie Guthrie; Mark Mahoney; Keir Clark; Ian LaPointe; Cathy Pugh; Jill Dickinson; Dolores Whalen; Carlos Jabbour; Haley Flaro, Lynn Fullarton; Charit Khatri, and Doug Williams. MOTION: Andrew Steeves moved the acceptance of the 2013-2014 Board of Directors as presented. Keir Clark seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Mayor Woodside continued with a few words about the Fredericton Chamber. He thanked Andrew Steeves for his hard work for the chamber and with other community groups. Mayor Woodside said the he travels a lot and everywhere he goes he hears great things about Fredericton and good things about the work of the award winning Fredericton Chamber of Commerce.

 a) At this time, At this time, Mayor Brad Woodside affirmed the new 2013-2014 board of directors members (below). Mayor Woodside then came forward once again to affirm new president Chris Johnston.

New Board Members:

Doug Williams

Dolores Whalen

Lynn Fullarton

Carlos Jabbour

Haley Flaro

7) President's Report – Janice Corey

Janice Corey began by recognizing the outgoing board of directors and gave a special thank you to Andrew Steeves. She highlighted the importance of volunteering and the hours we spend away from our business and families to make difference in our community. The chamber has been successful in enhancing strong relationships with community partners and government which has helped effect change, and move forward the chamber's priorities. Janice then "Passed the Buck" to President Chris Johnston.

8) Incoming President's Report – Chris Johnston

Chris began by saying that he has been on the chamber board for a few years now and he has seen first-hand how the chamber supports the community through advocacy efforts, and networking events. He is proud of the ongoing successes of the chamber and attributes them to a strong board of directors, committee volunteers, chamber staff and community partners. He thanked everyone for their tireless efforts and said that he is looking forward to working with the incoming board over the next year.

9) Other Business – None

10) Adjournment

President Chris Johnston asked for a motion for adjournment at 8:45am. Laurie Guthrie moved the adjournment of the meeting.