

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2018(2019)
 Meeting Minutes
 January 26th, 2019 at 1:00 PM EST – 2:30 PM EST



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Meeting Minutes:

In attendance: Directors: Sylvain Marcoux, Patrick Auger, Steven Jones, Paul Osborn, Ashley Ekelund, Jean Vezina, Haven Holsapple (Nols - Non voting Board Member),

In attendance: General members - Randeux Quebec + 8 members of the general public.

Time	Topic	Who
1:15pm	Welcome and Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Roll Call - Presentation of Attendees - Quorum Reached ● Meeting Start ● Agenda Review - motioned to approve: Ashley Ekelund, seconded: Paul Osborn 	Patrick Auger & Sylvain Marcoux
1:20pm	Approval of Minutes from AGM 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minutes are shared on website and via email, and one month allowed to review and revisions. After that they will be assumed approved. ● Minutes from this meeting will also be added. ● Approved: Patrick Seconded: Paul 	Sylvain
1:25pm	Chair's Report & Strategic Plan Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Review of 2017/2018 year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Membership is more than 1200 members from Database. Not all are active. ➢ Active membership has dropped to less than 200, which poses a challenge. ❖ Partnerships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Most important one is MEC, lots of financial support. MEC has also elected an LNT Ambassador, with whom we are in touch and will work on partnering. ❖ Office Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Have been greatly reduced. Maria is there 1 day a week. ❖ Membership discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Membership is provided when a training is taken, but often not renewed. ➢ We need to show the added value to our members in order to maintain a strong membership. ➢ Remaining discussion tabled for Open Discussion period ahead. ❖ Strategic Plan Presented <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Radius Program review - special thanks to MEC and the Radius program for the assistance provided. As well as Paul Osborn for his time and efforts in the program. 	Sylvain
1:45pm	Achievements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Achievements presented. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Student Training Manual translation ➢ LNT Visibility in the Manual for Professional Hiking Guides ➢ Training Naming Convention ➢ Rando Quebec Partnership ➢ De ville en forêt has achieved Authorized provider status 	Sylvain All

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Membership Review ❖ Partnership Review 	
2:00pm	<p>Amendments to Bylaws</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There are no proposed amendments to Bylaws. ● Only potential change could be to set the AGM to a fixed date each year, because the 90 days has been a challenge in the past. 	
1:55pm	<p>Challenges in 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How are we going to develop the program on the budget that we have. 	Sylvain
2:10pm	<p>Financial Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8,628 memberships in 2018 - fell slightly ● Grants received \$60,000 this year, none in 2018 ● Most significant expense this year went down due to lowered hours for employees. 	Sylvain
2:20pm	<p>Open Discussion Period</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Danielle Landry - we need volunteers, but also to recognize what is already done. Things that are also happening elsewhere in the world. ● Discussion regarding partnerships and other potential entities that can help us. We have no exclusivity and are open to new partnerships. ● We should work more in conjunction with other environmental organizations. We could give memberships to other orgs, open our focus more generally to environmental and outdoor pursuits. ● Sylvain recommend to have the AGM on specific dates (i.e. Last Wednesday of October. 	
	<p>Nominations and Elections</p> <p>Patrick Auger has been elected President New Board members to be officialised at the next Board meeting: Zohra Doukani, Myriam d'Auteuil, Lucas Rouleau and Lucie Larouche. Sylvain Marcoux will remain available as a non-voting member.</p>	
2:40pm	<p>Adjournment</p>	Sylvain