

BULKLEY VALLEY HOSPICE SOCIETY

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

JUNE 5th 2018

CALL TO ORDER

David Wilford called the meeting to order. This was the 27th AGM and 17 people were present. Introductions were made.

MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

David Wilford reviewed the minutes of the 2017 AGM.

Moved: Ken Alton/ JoAnne Reid

That we adopt the minutes as presented.

Carried

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

David read the report, outlining our activities during the past year.

Moved: Ken Alton/Lori Widen

That the Director's Report be adopted as read.

DISCUSSION FOLLOWING THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Daphne Hart queried if the Hospital Foundation's funding for NAVCare is equivalent to the initial grant from UBC Okanagan. She also questioned when patients are considered palliative, how far along in their journey? Lynn Shervill's response was that they would be frail, elderly and having a shrinking world due to age and illness. When asked if the one year criteria for NAVCare was firm, he responded that they are very accepting and flexible and that the patient has to have been diagnosed with a chronic illness. Dementia and Alzheimer's are not included because our volunteers do not have the specialized training

Motion Carried

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement for the 2017 – 2018 year was presented. The format has been made clearer this year. The "contribution margin" reference was not supposed to be there.

Moved: JoAnne Reid/Nancy Devries

That we accept the report as presented by Tina Hackle.

Carried

REPORT OF THE COORDINATOR OF VOLUNTEERS

Denise Kalina presented her report for the year 2017 – 2018.

Daphne Hart noted that the preferred wording for MAID in discussions is "Assisted Dying".

Moved: Lynn Shervill/Lori Widen

That the report be accepted.

Carried

REPORT OF THE BEREAVEMENT COORDINATOR

The report was presented by Cornelia Huisman. She commented on it being a busier year and she has received referrals from Victims Assistance and other agencies.

Moved: Tina Hackle/Tom Buri

That the report be accepted.

Carried

JoAnne Reid has worked with children this year and described some of the ways that her program works and the activities that they do which are fun, and enable them to know themselves and to work through their journeys. She created “First Aid” tool bags for the children to take home and relate to. She expressed that it is a privilege to help these children.

Daphne Hart talked briefly about the differences in grief experienced following a death from Assisted Dying.

CALL FOR MEMBERSHIPS

Members were invited to pay their 2018-2019 memberships.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The slate of officers was presented by Dave Bobick. As there were no further nominations from the floor the Members of the Board were elected by acclamation.

Ken Alton
Eileen Astin
Tom Buri
Tina Hackle
Daphne Hart
Bonnie Lear
John Perry
D. Read
Lynn Shervill
David Wilford

ISSUES AND PLANS FOR 2018 -2019

It was suggested that we pursue the aspect of grief due to Assisted Dying, thinking about our wording which needs to reflect helping those who are grieving.

Lynn stressed the ongoing need for connecting with doctors.

Members were asked for suggestions for new businesses to be included in the Coupon Book.

The new book club will be for interested volunteers, starting in the fall.

The integrated teams for primary health care need to be informed of our activities, in addition to the doctors. It was noted that our distribution list is extensive but needs updating. The drop-in sessions at the Court House have made us more visible.

We need to explore safety issues for one-on-one sessions.

THANKS – go to Margaret Bobick, Cornelia Huisman and Eileen Astin for providing goodies for the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

David thanked members for attending and adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm.