

A4LE Alberta Chapter Annual General Meeting March 8, 2018 Jasper Park Lodge Jasper, Alberta

ATTENDANCE:

Jonathan Steel Daniel Heaton Ryan Bultena Laurel Udell Miguel Quponds Claudia Yehia-Alaeddin Lesley Woodland Joanne Wright Steve Bushnell Alyssa Lefaivre Jennifer Lavier Jankovic

1. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 4:35pm
- 2. Approval of Agenda Motion to Accept Alyssa Lefaivre; seconded Steve Bushnell
- 3. Approval of Minutes from May 18th, 2017 Annual General Meeting Motion to Accept Laurel Udell; seconded Ryan Bultena

4. Business Arising from the Minutes No business arising from the previous minutes.

5. Executive Reports

5.1 Treasurer's Report

See Attachment 1 - Banking Summary- 2017

5.2 President's Report

• Jonathan has relocated to Portland and will not be involved with the Alberta Chapter of A4LE Board for the time being.

5.3 Governor's Regional Report

See Attachment – Governor's Report

5.4 International Report

- LearningSCAPES 2018 Chicago, IL; Nov. 1-4, 2018
- LearningSCAPES 2019 Anaheim, CA; Oct. 22-29, 2019
- International has begun a series of Town Hall meetings inviting Chapter and Regional Leaders to the conference calls. Provides a forum for Regional and Chapter Leadership to get an update on

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what the International Board is working on and provides Regional and Chapter Leadership with a forum to discuss what is taking place in local chapters as well as the various regions.

• New website was rolled out in January

6. New Business

6.1 Appointment of Members at Large for Financial Auditing

Steve Bushnell and Alyssa Lefaivre

6.2 Topics/Ideas for Continued Discussion at Next Meeting:

- 6.2.1 Conference Feedback and Ideas for Next Year
 - Positive feedback was received on the format of running single sessions only
 - Positive feedback was received on providing half hour coffee breaks (time to network or work)
 - Discuss banquet dinner vs. other options this must be decided before the contract is signed
 - Location Lake Louise or Banff next year?
- 6.2.2 Ideas for Increasing Member Engagement
 - Target younger members
 - Organize events that are less formal
 - Partner with like-minded groups for events and/or event promotion libraries, ATA, AAA
 - Secure dates early for events and send to members
 - Increase regular communications newsletter
- 6.2.3 Indigenous Outreach
 - Joanne Wright would like to lead this

7. Election of Officers

- 9.1 Governor Claudia Yehia-Alaeddin
- 9.2 President Jennifer Lavier Jankovic
- 9.3 President Elect Daniel Heaton
- 9.4 Treasurer Laurel Udell
- 9.5 Secretary Lesley Woodland
- 9.7 Members at Large –Steve Bushnell, Alyssa Lefaivre, Miguel Quponds, Joanne Wright, Jen Coffin

8. Next Meeting

Thursday April 10, 2018 - 10:00am

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9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:10

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Alberta Chapter – Governor's Report 2017

The Alberta Chapter had a very successful and productive year through 2017 that included steady membership and new Conference Committee members. The Pacific Northwest Regional Conference was held in Banff, Alberta and was an extremely well-attended event.

Highlights of the year included:

- 1. Whisky sales are up!
- 2. 2017 PNR Conference at the Banff Springs Hotel (March 17-19, 2015) with an attendance of 205 delegates.
- 3. Planning for the 2018 Spring Conference at the Jasper Park Lodge (March 7 9, 2018) is well underway. We are seeing registrant numbers of 50 attendees already which is typically seen at this date prior to the conference. Our early bird registration has been extended until the end of this month and we anticipate a flurry of registrations as this date approaches. One item of note is that both Alberta Education and Alberta Infrastructure have enacted a moratorium on any conference attendance. This is of great concern to the Chapter Executive and the Conference Planning Committee as this may have significant impact on Conference attendance as many school board members attend our Chapter Conference as it provides them with an opportunity to meet directly with contacts within Alberta Education and Alberta Infrastructure. Typically there are as many as 10 attendees from combined from both departments.
- 4. Current paid membership of both public and private membership numbers has fluctuated through-out the year with a total as of December 2017 of 143 representing the Alberta Chapter.
- 5. Our current bank balance stands at \$10,600. While the PNR Conference was a overall success and very well attended, it was not as profitable as it should have been due to an error that went out on the Call for Speakers which resulted in 14 speakers being provided with complimentary registration. The Planning Committee decided to honor the commitment made which resulted in approximately \$9,500 in lost revenue. The Chapter Executive has made the decision to commit a portion of the Chapter's Spring Conference to honor the commitment made to PNR.
- 6. Our Alberta Chapter meetings continue to have healthy representation with support from Provincial members, local School Boards, Consultants and Industry. We regularly have 12-15 Committee members attend either physically or through teleconference for the monthly meetings.

Submitted by,

Ryan Bultena, PNR Past-President & Canadian Director

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