

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Gabriola Island Recycling Organization (GIRO)**

**2018 Annual General Meeting Minutes for an AGM held May 30, 2018, at the Gabriola Island Community Hall**

**Chair: Kees Langereis**  
**Secretary: David Swanson**

**Members:** 12 GIRO members; one guest (see the attached attendance register)

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
2. The Chair confirmed that
  - a. a quorum was present
  - b. adequate advance notice of the meeting given by way of an ad, in the Gabriola *Souder* newspaper on May 15, 2018 and by a membership mail-out of the notice by email and by letter to members without an email address on May 12, 2018
3. The Chair moved to approve the published agenda (handout): **SECONDED BY NICHOLAS RUSHTON; CARRIED, UNANIMOUS**
4. The Chair moved to approve the Draft 2017 AGM minutes (pre-circulated; also available as a handout): **SECONDED BY JANE WARD; CARRIED, UNANIMOUS**
5. The Chair discussed unfinished business stemming from a question about PST raised at the 2017 AGM. The Chair reported that the Board had investigated this issue and the Province had informed GIRO that it must charge PST. The Province also stated that they are reviewing this policy. GIRO began charging PST once it received this ruling from the Province.
6. Michelle MacEwen, GIRO General Manager, reviewed the organization's financial statements, with support from Cheryl McNeil, book-keeper. She asked for questions and one member asked if Frank Bunyon had received recognition for his recovery of metals that generated a significant increase in income for this revenue category. Michelle stated that an article about Frank had appeared in the *Souder* newspaper in 2017. The Chair moved to accept the financial statements for 2017: **SECONDED BY JANE WARD; CARRIED, UNANIMOUS**
7. The Chair read the 2017 Board of Directors report. He asked for questions.  
Question: Is GIRO doing anything to increase its membership?  
Answer: Jane Ward described her recent recruitment of 24 new members using an information table on depot days.
8. An election of directors was held for four vacant positions. There were no nominations received from members by May 28, 2018; there was one nomination put forward by the Board, Ryan St. Pierre of Gabriola. The Chair declared Ryan elected by acclamation.
9. Open Discussion of the following topics:

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- a. terms for each director: the Chair suggested to Michelle that we list the directors along with their terms of office on the GIRO website
  - b. gratitude: David Swanson expressed the Board's gratitude for the work of the two GIRO presidents during the past year: Kees Langereis and Susan Brown
10. The Chair moved adjournment of the meeting at 7:53 pm

