Gay And Lesbian Alliance of Lethbridge and Area (GALA/LA) Annual General Meeting ~ April 20, 2010 MINUTES

Attendance:

Mickey Wilson, Arron Kardolus-Wilson, Dana Inkster, Josephine Mills, Tiffany Muller Myrdahl, Eileen Muller Myrdahl, Sandy Sangster, Annelies van Oers, Suzanne Lenon, Jennifer Justinick, Tanis Lowe, Linda Bartosek, Wendy Osborn, Mary Kosta, Dave Mabell, Lindsey Skakum, Tyson Skriver, Clinton Eggulden, Joshua Williams, Braden Yamamoto, Shalyn Martin, Matthew Young, Shawn Kearns, Mathew Beaudoin, Levi Cox, Teigan Reamsbottom, Sean Seeney, Reid Hollander, Heather Chomos, and Tyler Gschaid

1. Call to Order and Agenda

Meeting was called to order by Mickey Wilson (Chair).

Motion: Approve Agenda, as presented. Moved/Seconded: Braden Yamamoto/Tyson Skriver; Carried

2. Minutes of Previous AGM.

Motion: Approve the Minutes of the May 26, 2009 Annual Meeting, as presented.

Moved/Seconded: Dave Mabell/Tyson Skriver; Carried

3. Review of Annual Report

Tyler Gschaid should be included as member of the Communication Committee and the Community Relations Committee.

Motion: Accept the Annual Report, as amended.

Moved/Seconded: Matt Young/Braden Yamamoto; Carried

It should be noted that the \$1,059.42 in the Pride Account is being held in-trust for Lethbridge Pride Fest. GALA/LA saw a Net Income of \$1,292.70 during the year.

Motion: Accept the audited Financial Statements, as presented.

Moved/Seconded: Reid Hollander/Heather Chomos; Carried

4. Appointment of Auditors for 2011

Reid Hollander (nominated by Dave Mabell), Arron Kardolus-Wilson (nominated by Heather Chomos), and as an alternate Mathew Beaudoin (nominated by Tyler Gschaid).

Motion: Appoint Reid Hollander, Arron Kardolus-Wilson as Auditors of the 2010 to 2011 Financial Statements, including Mathew Beaudoin as an alternate Auditor.

Moved/Seconded: Tyler Gschaid / Heather Chomos; Carried

5. Approval of Amendments to By-Laws

Motion: Amend 7.3 to read "maximum of eleven Board positions"

Moved/Seconded: Tyler Gschaid /Reid Hollander; DEFEATED

Motion: Approve the new Bylaws presented with the following amendments:

7.6 (a) change "may" to "shall"

Renumber "8.4" as "8.3" and "8.5" as "8.4"

9.2 and 9.3 rename "Regular Board Meetings" and "Special Board Meetings" respectively.

11.1 (e) reads as "Officers are first elected by the members as Directors. Members then nominate individual Directors to serve in each Officer position as listed in 11.1 (a)"

12.1 (L) add "President cast a vote only to break a tie vote."

12.4 (h) add " and is required to be one of the signatures on each cheque issued."

12.5 (e) add "within thirty days of receiving funds."

Moved/Seconded: Dave Mabell/Dana Inkster; Carried

5. Approval of Amendments to By-Laws (continued)

Special Resolution - Amendment of By-Laws

Whereas the Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Lethbridge and Area (the 'Society') is a society incorporated under the Societies Act in the Province of Alberta;

Whereas the Board of Directors of the Society considers it to in the best interests of the Society to remove the Bylaws as adopted May 21, 1999, amended at a General Meeting on May 7, 2003, and further amended at a Special Meeting March 11, 2008 in its entirety;

And Whereas the Members of the Society have been asked to approve the proposed By-Laws; Be It Resolved, the Bylaws approved at the April 20, 2010 Annual General Meeting be adopted as the new Bylaws of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Lethbridge and Area.

Moved/Seconded: Dave Mabell/Heather Chomos; Carried

6. Elections

The meeting was turned over to Teigan Reamsbottom to Chair the election portion.

Arron Kardolus-Wilson and Mathew Beaudoin volunteered to serve as Ballot Counters. Reid Hollander recorded the names of those nominated. Tyler Gschaid reported that all 30 people present as members were eligible to cast votes.

Motion: That we elect a Board of 9 members.

Moved/Seconded: Heather Chomos/Matthew Young; Carried

Teigan called for the **Nomination of Directors**.

The following were nominated (those making the nomination are listed in brackets): Tyler Gschaid (Shawn/Levi), Suzanne Lenon (Wendy/Braden), Heather Chomos (Matthew Y/Mathew B), Dave Mabell (Mary Kostas/Levi Cox), Matthew Young (Shawn/Sean), Shalyn Martin (Suzanne/Tyson), Lindsey Skakum (Linda/Joshua), Mickey Wilson (Dave/Mary), Tyson Skriver (Lindsey/Tyson), Joshua Williams (Sean/Clinton), Braden Yamamoto (Tyson/Matthew Y), Sandy Sangster (Arron/Shawn) The following declined their nomination: Linda Bartosek (Shalyn/Tyson), Jennifer Justinick (Arron/Heather), and Levi Cox (Mary/Sean).

Teigan called three times for further nominations and then declared nominations closed. Following a secret ballot, Teigan declared the following elected as Directors: Suzanne Lenon, Dave Mabell, Shalyn Martin, Lindsey Skakum, Mickey Wilson, Tyson Skriver, Joshua Williams, Braden Yamamoto, and Sandy Sangster.

Teigan called for **nominations for President**. The following were nominated (those making the nomination are listed in brackets): Mickey Wilson (Shalyn/Wendy)

The following declined their nomination: Suzanne Lenon (Braden/Shawn), Braden Yamamoto (Levi/Mathew B), and Tyson Skriver (Levi/Lindsey).

Teigan called three times for further nominations and then declared nominations closed.

Teigan declared Mickey Wilson elected as President by acclamation.

Teigan called for **nominations for Vice President**. The following were nominated (those making the nomination are listed in brackets): Braden Yamamoto (Matthew Y/Sean)

The following declined their nomination: Suzanne Lenon (Arron/Heather), Tyson Skriver (Levi/Clinton), and Lindsey Skakum (Linda/Shawn)

Teigan called three times for further nominations and then declared nominations closed.

Teigan declared Braden Yamamoto elected as Vice President by acclamation.

Teigan called for n**ominations for Secretary**. The following were nominated (those making the nomination are listed in brackets): Dave Mabell (Heather/Sean) and Tyson Skriver (Braden/Shalyn) The following declined their nomination: Lindsey Skakum (Arron/Clinton)

Teigan called three times for further nominations and then declared nominations closed.

Following a secret ballot, Teigan declared Tyson Skriver elected as Secretary.

6. Elections (continued)

Teigan called for **nominations for Treasurer**. The following were nominated (those making the nomination are listed in brackets): Sandy Sangster (Mathew B/Shawn)

Teigan called three times for further nominations and then declared nominations closed.

Teigan declared Sandy Sangster elected Treasurer by acclamation.

Teigan called for **nominations for Membership Director**. The following were nominated (those making the nomination are listed in brackets): Joshua Williams (Sean/Clinton), Lindsey Skakum (Braden/Shawn), and Shalyn Martin (Heather/Tyson).

Teigan called three times for further nominations and then declared nominations closed. Following a secret ballot, Teigan declared Lindsey Skakum elected as Membership Director.

2010 - 2010 Board

Mickey Wilson (President), Braden Yamamoto (Vice President), and Sandy Sangster (Treasurer), Tyson Skriver (Secretary), and Lindsey Skakum (Membership Director)

Directors: Suzanne Lenon, Dave Mabell, Shalyn Martin, and Joshua Williams

The Board of the past year included Mickey Wilson (Chair), Matt Young (Vice-Chair), Tyler Gschaid (Secretary) and Directors: Heather Chomos, Levi Cox, Dave Mabell, Teigan Reamsbotton, Tyson Skriver, Arron Kardolus-Wilson, .Braden Yamamoto. Others who also served on the Board during the past year: Mathew Beaudoin, Troy Coutts, Brittany Elder, Shawn Kearns, and Jessica Lloyd.

Motion: Express our appreciation to those who volunteered on the Board during the past year and volunteered with Committees, programs, and events.

Moved/Seconded: Mary Kosta/Shawn Kearns; Carried

Motion: The ballots be destroyed.

Moved/Seconded: Dave Mabell/Sean Seeney; Carried

7. Adjournment

Motion: Adjourn the Annual General Meeting. Moved/Seconded: Matthew Young/Tyler Gschaid