

WIFTV AGM 2019 DRAFT MINUTES

(to be approved at the 2020 AGM)

Date: September 24, 2019

Location: The offices of UBCP/ACTRA - 380 W 2nd Ave, Vancouver

UBCP/ACTRA staff person in attendance: Angela Moore

6:15 pm Registration

6:30pm Discussion - Equity and Inclusion in the BC Film Industry

Discussion about new work being done by UBCP/ACTRA and WIFTV to create a more diverse and equitable film production landscape and grow new jobs and how members can become an ally.

Opening: Sharon McGowan

6:30 - 6:40 Angela Moore and Karen Wong presentation

(Angela Moore is Chair of the UBC Diversity and Inclusion Committee)

6:70 - 7:00 Sabrina Prada (speaking on talking points provided by Christine Willes)

7:00 - 7:15 Q&A and Discussion moderated by Sharon McGowan

7:36 pm Sarah Kalil, President and AGM Chair: Welcome / Call to Order

- (1) "Review of Rules of Order -- at this meeting we will follow the agenda and limit time to three minutes for speakers from the floor"
- (2) "Proof of Notice - the BC Society Act - Section 60 states - A society must give not less than 14 days' written notice of a general meeting to those members entitled to receive notice of a general meeting, but those members may waive or reduce the period of notice for a particular meeting by unanimous consent in writing."

"This is to confirm that an email was sent to all members on August 22, 2019"

(3) "Do we have at least 25 people to make a quorum"? yes

(4) "WIFTV Bylaws Section 4.4 states that a quorum is twenty-five (25) members present or a greater number that the members may determine at a general meeting"

"The total number of member attendees is 39".

"Please note that associate members do not have voting privileges".

Acceptance of Agenda (after call for Other Business)

Call for Other Business "Does anyone have any other business to add to the agenda?" **No**

Acceptance of Agenda "Could we have a motion to accept tonight's agenda"?

Motion by: Carla Jones Seconded by: Susan Brinton

"Is there any discussion on this motion"? No

"All in Favour"? all "All Against" none "Any Abstentions" none

“The Motion has Passed”

Approval of Minutes of the 2018 AGM

“Can we have a motion to approve the minutes of the 2018 AGM”?

“Is there any discussion on this motion”? no

Motion by: Ariana McGregor Seconded by: Peggy Thompson

“All in Favour”? 37 “All Against”? none “Any Abstentions”? Lori Watt and Amanda Burke

“The Motion has Passed

7:42 pm President’s Report / Annual Report

8:09 pm Treasurer’s/Financial Report

- 1) “We will now have a Presentation of the 2018/19 Financial Statements by WIFTV Treasurer Karen Wong”
- 2) “We will now have a Presentation for the 2019/20 Budget by Karen Wong”

“Are there any questions about the Financial Statements or Budget”? Lori Watt had a question about “audits” which was appropriately answered by Karen Wong.

8:22 Motions:

- 1) Motion to set the number of directors of the board to # 16

“Can we have a motion to set the number of directors of the board to 16”?

Motion by: Michele Billy Povil Seconded by: Carla Jones

“Is there any discussion on this motion”? Mo Simpson asked how many directors we currently had and the answer was 18.

“All in Favour” all “All Against” none “Any Abstentions” non
“The Motion has Passed

- 2) Motion to set the membership fees – see below

“Can we have a motion to set the membership fees as stated below”?

Whereas

A. WIFTV has the following four membership categories:

- i. Executive Member: Women who work or reside in BC and have ten (10) or more years of professional experience in the screen-based media industry. (Voting)

- ii. Professional Member (FM): Women who work or reside in BC and have five (5) or more years of professional experience in the screen-based media industry. (Voting)
 - iii. Associate Member (AM): Women who work or reside in BC and have less than five (5) years of professional experience in the screen-based media industry, who after a maximum of five (5) years, must upgrade to Professional Member. (Non-Voting)
 - iv. Friend of WIFTV Member (FO): All other genders and women not actively pursuing a career in the screen-based media industry, who wish to support WIFTV. (Non-voting);
- B. The current fee for each category is \$99.00 plus GST per year, unless discounted to \$50.00 plus GST per year for geographically distant (individuals living outside the BC Lower Mainland), individuals with disabilities, seniors (65+), and students (individuals currently enrolled full-time in an educational program);
- C. WIFTV wishes to: (i) offer a further discount for students; (ii) offer an additional fee category for individuals experiencing financial hardship who wish to become members; and (iii) offer an additional fee category for members who wish to support the organization further; and
- D. The fees for each fiscal year must be set by the members at each AGM.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Directors moves to:

1. Set the student discount rate to \$25.00 + GST per year.
2. To allow, at the discretion of the staff, for up to 25 under-employed individuals per fiscal year, to pay a membership fee of \$25.00 + GST per year.
3. To allow any member to pay a supplementary membership fee of \$125.00 + GST per year (being \$26.00 over the regular membership fee) and give such members the optional membership benefit of receiving a “Thank you” on the WIFTV website and in the VIWIFF printed program.

Motion by: Shannon Kaplun Seconded by: Ariana McGregor

“Is there any discussion on this motion” – there was some discussion about the financial impact of this the organization, but it was agreed that the impact would likely be small.

An amendment to the motion was put forward to change #2 to:

To allow, at the discretion of the staff, for up to 25 under-employed individuals per fiscal year, to pay a membership fee of \$25.00 + GST per year, according to criteria set by the board.

Amended motion: Red Heartbreaker Seconded by: Carla Jones

“All in Favour” Yes “All Against” none “Any Abstentions” none
 “The Motion has Passed”

Board Elections

Continuing on with the board to complete their terms are:

- 1) Karen Wong
- 2) Susan Brinton
- 3) Ashley Evans
- 4) Roberta McDonald

- 5) Sharon McGowan
- 6) Arianna McGregor
- 7) Jasmine Pullukatt
- 8) Darlene Tait

Stepping down from the board are:

- 1) Sarah Kalil
- 2) Carla Jones
- 3) Dusty Kelly
- 4) Christine Larsen
- 5) Christine Toms
- 6) Aliza Vellani

There are therefore 8 open positions for 16 member Board.

We have 8 New Board member nominees:

- 1) Jessica Bradford
- 2) Shannon Kaplun
- 3) Carleen Kyle – unable to be here tonight
- 4) Michele Billy Povil
- 5) Odessa Shuquaya
- 6) Peggy Thompson
- 7) Natasha Tony
- 8) Red Heartbreaker

Nominations from the Floor:

“Are there any nominations from the floor”? no

ACCLAMATION

“As we have 8 nominees running for the 8 open seats on the Board, we will call for a motion to acclaim the nominees. (First, we would like to give each of them the opportunity to tell us about themselves and what they’d like to bring to the Board” – optional)

“Can we have a motion to Acclaim the Nominees for the Board of Directors”?

Motion by: Susan Brinton Seconded by: Karen Wong

“Is there any discussion on this motion”? no

“All in Favour” all “All Against” none “Any Abstentions” none

“The Motion has Passed”

“Please note that Section 5.7 of our bylaws state that: The Board of Directors will elect the executive office positions. Separate elections must be held for each executive officer position to be filled. As soon as practicable following the AGM, and prior to any other business being conducted by the Board of Directors, the Board of Directors shall convene a meeting to elect the executive officer positions. If any executive officer positions are uncontested, the nominees for such positions will be acclaimed. Board members may submit their votes for the executive officer positions by proxy”

Presentation to outgoing Board Members and Guest Speakers (actual time 8: 56)

Board: Sarah Kalil, Carla Jones, Dusty Kelly, Christina Toms, Aliza Vellani, Christine Larsen

Other business - if put on the agenda earlier none

Closing Remarks

8:59 pm Meeting Adjourned by the Chairperson