

Annual General Meeting

Notice



Dear Members,

Notice is hereby given that the Aboriginal Women's Professional Association (AWPA) Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at City Hall Heritage Room located at 1 Sir Winston Churchill Square 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. To confirm your attendance please register via Eventbrite, by phone at 587.590.9092 or by email at contact@awpa.ca by Friday, June 1st, 2018. For a complete AGM Agenda see attachment.

The Board of Directors hereby provides notice to membership for the proposed amendments to the Bylaws.

Special Resolution 1: Amend bylaw 4.1., by changing the membership fee from a lifetime membership of \$25.00 to an annual membership fee of \$15.00. This will read: The annual membership fee shall be \$15.00. Rationale: The bylaws came into force on December 14, 2015. There is no standard criteria to define the acceptable volunteer service required. \$25.00 is not an unreasonable amount for lifetime membership in an organization.

Special Resolution 2: Amend bylaw 4.2., by changing lifetime membership fees to annual membership fee. This will read: Members decide the annual membership fees by an Ordinary Resolution of the Association. Rationale: The bylaws came into force on December 14, 2015. Membership will now have the opportunity to renew his/her membership on an annual basis rather than being a lifetime member.

Special Resolution 3: Amend bylaw 4.5., by changing the lifetime membership fee of \$15.00 to annual membership fee of \$15.00. This will read: When these bylaws come into force, the annual membership fees shall be \$15.00 and can be paid in cash, cheque, e-transfer or two hours (minimum or more) of AWPA volunteer service. Rationale: The bylaws came into force on December 14, 2015. Memberships fee will increase for membership and will renew on an annual basis. Volunteers have opportunity to volunteer a minimum of two hours to get a membership. This does not limit the volunteer from volunteering a various events, if requested.

Special Resolution 4: Amend bylaw 12.1., by changing May 30 to September 30th of each year. This will read: In accordance with the Societies Act, the Association shall hold an Annual General Meeting no later than September 30th of each calendar year to present the audited financial statements, reports, and elect new Board Members as required. Rationale: They bylaws came into force on December 14, 2015. Changing the date of the Annual General Meeting will allow time for the audit to be completed by an auditor and for the board to approve to be able to present audited financials to members as per to the *Societies Act*.

If you have any questions or recommendations please direct your questions in advance to the AWPA at contact@awpa.ca.