

Food Secure Canada / Réseau pour une alimentation durable
Annual General Meeting Minutes
 October 16, 2016 Ryerson ENGINEERING BLDG. Room 103

Item	Discussion	Action
Call to order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aart Schuurman Hess in the chair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order at 9:08
Minute taker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aart indicated that Susan Roberts is willing to take minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Susan Roberts appointed as minute taker
Notice of meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Was sent out on September 19 2016 	
Quorum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50 members with voting rights. 17 of those were organizational member's representatives (33 individual members). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quorum established
Voting procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aart outlined the voting procedure for the meeting and how Food Secure Canada (FSC) practices consensus according to our Bylaws 	
Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agenda was circulated to all present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moved David Welsh seconded Joan Brady: adopted agenda as circulated CARRIED
Minutes of 16 November 2015 AGM Meeting in Halifax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes were available for review by all present 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moved David Welsh seconded Lucia Stephens: adopt minutes as circulated CARRIED
Chair's report	<p>Aart's report included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9th assembly FSC Strong voice during election with Eat Think Vote the as voice of the food movement in Canada opening New opportunities with new federal government Honour the passing of Cathleen Kneen (AGM followed the award ceremony) Review of 2011 Strat Plan with 3 objectives Acknowledgement of staff and their work Financial sustainability as an ongoing challenge. Need your support 	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Become members and ask others • Utcha Sawyer accepted to be a member for one more year as per Article 28 of Bylaws • Thank you to our outgoing Board members, David Askew, Sarah Archibald, and Eric Chaurette • Words of inspiration by Eric Chaurette and thank you for the bowl made by Cathleen’s beautiful hands • Thank you to our members..together we are stronger 	
Executive Director’s report	<p>Diana Bronson’s report included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How times have changed – Cultivated relationships in now reaching success in having meetings with officials and politicians and in attaining their support • Theory of Change a success – understanding of building a movement the need for it to attain policy change • 2016 Assembly – hard work in reaching the numbers and 98 volunteers. Special thanks to staff • Sasha McNicoll - Coalition for Healthy School Food – Bringing the Great Big Crunch to Parliament and across country • Jennifer Reynolds- Developing institutional procurement program and lessons learned • Francois – highlighted our communications • Amelie – registration and FSC Admin • Pierre – Helpful as we move forward to leverage our success into financial support • Esmy – Finances and as an Assembly volunteer • Amanda - New farmers project, and link and deepen our work with academics as well with Northern and indigenous people, youth caucus • Hugo - thank you! • Challenges ahead – Food Policy ..we will do the laid out plan after the assembly to get it in to Ottawa • Need to get out of this financial problem • Invest in system database and communications • Thanks to Board 	
Treasurer’s report and 2014-2015 audited financials	<p>Wendy Roscoe reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wendy introduced FSC’s Auditors responsibility from Dagenais, Lapierre, Simard et Associé and the ‘opinion’ • Discussion Revenue and Expenses • Explained the Balance sheet • Net investment are very small need to grow our situation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion: that the audited financial statements of Food Secure Canada for the year ending 31 August 2015 audited by



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note 11 – Personnel costs Need to build our reserve of cash Participants in all organizations were encouraged to consider donating/supporting by writing FSC into their grants as a service provider 	<p>Dagenais, Lapierre, Simard et Associé be received by the membership of Food Secure Canada</p> <p>Adopted by Consensus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link to document: 2014-15 financial statements
Financials 2015-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unaudited financial statements internal for year ended 2016... Expenses less than budgeted and some activities did not happen \$52,000 loss expected 	
Budget 2016-17	<p>Wendy presented the draft 2016-17 budget: Zero Budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revenues for Assembly will come in after the end of the fiscal year though many expenses are up front... conservative estimate Revenue \$805,000 no profit! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link to document (to come): 2016-17 budget
Auditor for 2015-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2015-2016 financial year is being audited by Christopher Schreindorfer Accepted FSC's invitation to prepare audited financial statements for the 2015-16 financial year Resolution for Auditor for 2016-2017 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moved Mary Lou Morgan seconded: Paul Taylor that Christopher Schreindorfer, professional accountant certified, is appointed the auditor of the Corporation, to hold office until the close of the next Annual Meeting of the members or until their successors are appointed - Sept 31 2016-2017



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<p>Election of new Board of Directors: report from the Nominations Committee</p>	<p>Eric Charette presented the Nominations Committee report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members were Diana Bronson, Eric Charette, Susan Roberts, Lucia Stephens, and Amélie Lévesque-Martel • New candidates were presented to the membership online and 53 votes were received before the deadline • The Committee then took the weighting of the votes, criteria for the Board, and candidates' location, sector, knowledge and skills to assemble a slate of 11 people • This slate was presented first to the Board and accepted and now to the membership at the AGM • This slate includes returning Board members whose term has not expired as well as new candidates • Utcha Sawyer to be added as per article 28 	<p>CARRIED</p> <p>Moved Phil Groff Second – Jen Pfenning elect the following slate of Nominees to the 2016-2017 that the following individuals – Elisabeth Abergel (QC), Joan Brady (ON) Joseph Leblanc (ON), Mary Lou Morgan (ON), Susan Roberts (AB), Aart Schuurman Hess (BC), Lucia Stephen (NS), Ryan Turnbull (ON), and Wendy Roscoe (QC) - Kristine Craig (YT) and Paul Taylor (BC) are duly elected members of the Board of Directors of Food Secure Canada for the ensuing year CARRIED unanimously</p>
<p>Adjournment of business meeting</p>	<p>10:01 Adjourned</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moved- Joan Brady, second Paul Taylor: adjourn meeting CARRIED • Meeting adjourned