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39th CSC Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

12:30–13:10 PT

West Meeting Room 214

Vancouver Convention Centre

Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the CSC President, Jennifer Love, FCIC, at 12:34 PT.

Love indicated that a quorum was present (attendees: 52 in-person).

Love introduced the head table:

Zhongxin Zhou, CSC Past President
Shan Zou, (Interim) CSC Vice President
Jason Pearson in lieu of Thomas Brady, CSC Treasurer
Josephine Tsang, CIC Executive Director
Rose Katagiri, Secretary
Jennifer Love, CSC President

Members of the CSC Board of Directors were sitting in the audience.

Protocols

Love reviewed the meeting etiquette and protocols.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

MOTION

“To adopt the agenda.”

Moved: Dietmar Kennepohl
Seconded: Nola Etkin

No discussion

CARRIED

3. Adoption of the Minutes of the 38th AGM of the CSC held virtually on June 15, 2022.

The minutes were approved as presented.

MOTION

“For the minutes be adopted as presented.”

Moved: Jennifer Love
Seconded: Stephen McNeil

No discussion

CARRIED

4. Reports

CSC President

Love summarized the CSC activities from the submitted report.

CSC Treasurer

Pearson discussed key aspects and concerns from his submitted report and the audited financial statement.

Questions

- Michael Gravel: Why was the CSC 2022 conference profit lower than expected?
 - o Tsang indicated that expenses to host a conference have increased significantly, including AV, venue rentals, and food. Significant increases in costs were not expected and led to a decrease in the budgeted profits.
- Cathleen Crudden: How have expenses related to the CSC increased over the year?
 - o Pearson answered that costs for membership and the conference have increased.
 - o Tsang added that registration fees have increased in line with inflation. Tsang would be happy to share numbers later or after this meeting.

CIC Executive Director

Tsang highlighted events, activities, and progress that took place since the last report to membership.

CSC Directors

Directors provided brief updates on activities in each of their portfolios: Interim Vice President, Accreditation, Awards, Conferences, Industry Liaison, Local Sections, Student Affairs, Subject Divisions, EDI, Directors-at-Large, and NSERC Chemistry Liaison.

MOTION

“Move 2022 Audit Statement be adopted as presented.”

Moved: Jason Pearson

Seconded: Cathleen Crudden

No discussion

CARRIED

Directors

Director slides were shown for the membership to read. AGM slides will be shared with the membership via the CSC AGM website.

Question from John Neville:

There was no award winner for the 2023 Keith Laidler Award. Was this because of the lack of nominations?

Answer: The selection committee did not select a winner this year as the terms of reference state “An award may not be given in a particular year.”.

Question from an unidentified CSC 2023 volunteer from the University of Victoria:

Does being in an accredited program contribute to increasing salary prospects for international institutions?

Answer: Yes, it is possible.

5. Appointment of Auditors for 2023

MOTION

“Adoption of the audited financial documents for 2023.”

Moved: Jason Pearson

Seconded: Cathleen Crudden

No discussion

CARRIED

MOTION

“To appoint Parker Prins Lebano to be the auditor for 2023.”

Moved: Jason Pearson
Seconded: Stephen McNeil

No discussion

CARRIED

6. Election of Directors for 2023–2024

Zhou, CSC Nominations Committee Chair, introduced the process taken for the 2023 election of Directors and led the meeting through the election of CSC Directors for 2023–2024. The call for nominations and submissions was reviewed by the committee, the selected individuals were recommended to the CSC Board, and then brought to the membership.

Election by Acclamation

President (2023–2024)	Jennifer Love
Vice-President (2023–2024)	Shan Zou
Past President (2023–2024)	Zhongxin Zhou
Treasurer (2023–2026)	Edward Lai
Director of Industrial Liaison (2023–2026)	Curtis Rieder
Director of CSC NSERC-Chemistry Liaison (2023–2026)	Bruce Arndtsen

Nominations were asked from the floor and called three times. There were no additional nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed and the nominees’ names were presented.

MOTION

“For the slate of Directors for the CSC Board be adopted for 2023-2024.”

Moved: Zhongxin Zhou
Seconded: Stephanie MacQuarrie

No Discussion

CARRIED

All those who agreed to stand as Directors were thanked for their interest and commitment.

7. Recognition: CSC Retiring Directors and Officers in June 2022

The following Directors are retiring from the CSC Board of Directors and were thanked for their service and commitment.

1. Thomas Brady, CSC Treasurer
2. Marc Janes, CSC Director of Industrial Liaison
3. Janine Mauzeroll, CSC Interim Director of NSERC Liaison

8. Looking Forward into 2023

Love will be starting her second term as CSC President. Love and Zou are looking forward to working with the Board, National Team, and CIC members. Love is excited to work with Deborah Nicoll-Griffith and Josephine Hill from the CIC Board. She highlighted some priorities for her tenure including ensuring the effectiveness of the National Team and the viability of in-person conferences moving forward.

Love kept the Presidential Lapel Pins.

9. Other Business

Love asked if there was any other business duly brought forward before the meeting. There was no other business.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 13:10 PT.