

Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association
Minutes

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

Saturday, September 19, 2020– 11:00-12:00 p.m.
GoTo Meeting Virtual AGM

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order, by the President, William Gordon, at 11:a.m to 12:00 p.m.
- 2.The proposed agenda was approved.
- 3.Introduction of Directors and Guests: President William Gordon welcomed those attending the meeting. He introduced Mary Turner, 5360 D.G. and thanked her for attending, and David Kinnaird who was attending and agreed to join the planning committee for the 2021 AGM.
4. A moment of silence was held honoring the deceased members of the WGIPPA. Phil Iverson, a former member and past president of WGIPPA was recognized, as was Mike Foster's father, who had passed due to Covid-19.
5. Approval of the BOD minutes of the September 14, 2019 AGM in Waterton Lakes National Park, Alberta, Canada.

Dr. Glenn Coultter indicated that there were two changes to be made to the Minutes. The first being at page 5, Item 8H duplicated. The other change was found in 8K where the name Christen needed to be changed to Christine. There we no other changes.

Motion. Dean Wood made a motion to accept the Minutes with the referenced changes. Glenn

6. WGIPPA Financial Reports.

6a. Dr. Glenn Coulter gave the financial report for the year 2018. He reported that there was \$4,765.47 in the account. On July 1, 2019 and as of June 31, 2020 the balance was \$5240.20.

He reported that all 4 districts had payed their dues and that as of September 19, 2020 there was \$9,556.74 Canadian in the account.

Kees van der Pol asked for a clarification of what year the dues represented, and was told that was for the year 2019-2020. Dr. Glenn Coulter went on to discuss the fact that some money had been placed in the Assembly Account rather than the WGIPPA Account and was going to be moved.

Marshall Gingery asked whether there was a way to determine how much money WGIPPA had contributed to the parks over the last 10 years. Dr. Coulter agreed to try to ascertain what was paid from the Canadian account and Carl Prinzing agreed to try to get a number from the U.S. Account.

6b. Millie Baycroft had moved and therefore, Carl Prinzing was appointed to fill her position as the U.S. Treasurer. Carl reported that the U.S. Account had \$7,207.79 in it. In addition there was %500 deposit coming back from the Glacier Park Lodge because of the cancellation due to Covid. He also stated there was \$1,500.00 in the Missoula Sunrise account that had been kept there in case there were other expenses that arose.

Kees van der Pol inquired whether the dues for 2021 were in U.S. Dollars and if all 4 districts were paying the same. Dr. Coulter responded that it was U.S. Dollars and it was the same across the board for all districts. Dr. Coulter indicated that once the accounts were balanced, he believed the organization should look at balancing out the accounts.

Marshall Gingery moved to adopt the reports. Kees van der Pol seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7a. 2020 Host Club Report. Betsy Mulligan-Dague reported that getting ready for the first Virtual AGM was a learning experience. She indicated that there were 108 people registyered. Tom Esch commented on the fact that it was a great assembly and maybe not being on a border, which is a dividing line was good.

7b. International Fellowship of Peace Parks. It was reported that Carl Prinzing and Todd Walters both had contacted RI about the Fellowship and were told that with the Covid they wanted them to waite until after 7-1-2021 to submit an application. So everything is on hold.

7c. Waterton Lakes National Park/Flathead Valley Expansion. John Vrolik was not present to report. Norm McCarvell reported that they had a meeting and invited the Cranbrook Club to come and present. They were not able to make it, so he has no other update.

7d. Kees van der Pol reported on the Indus project. He reported that he, his wife and Norm McCarvell had tickets and were planning on going to India and Pakistan when the Covid

Epidemic forced them to cancel their trip. The purpose of the trip was to try to locate a suitable property for a Trans-Border Park. He stated there was a GoToMeeting scheduled for the next day and he would know more after that meeting. He does not know a timeframe for a future trip.

7e. Other Business. Ed Handl challenged everyone to follow up on the SOAR's Program and to start forming committees. Ed asked to defer his remarks until his presentation later in the meeting.

8. New Business.

8a. Nominations and Elections. Dr. Coulter read the list of nominated officers, set forth on the agenda. (See agenda for names and positions) He asked if there asked for any other nominations three times. There were none, so all nominations were closed and a declaration made that those persons nominated be officers for the next term.

8b. Introduction of Newly Appointed Board. Dr. Coulter read off the names, Ingrid Neitsch Dist 5370; Jim Hutchinson Dist 5390 and Jay Shepard Dist 5080 (U.S.). He asked if there were any other nominations three times. There were no additional nominations and therefore it was declared that they were elected to the Board.

8c. It was stated that since Carl Prinzing had taken Millie Baycroft's position as secretary there was a position open in 5390. The preference was to try to find someone from Eastern Montana to fill the position. Also District 5080 needed another Board Member with Maria Kliavkoff's appointment to the Board. Ingrid Neitsch expressed her excitement to be part of the Board.

8d. President Bill Gordon then recognized and thanked Millie Baycroft, Marshall Gingery and Roy Beekman as out going members that made a significant contribution to the organization. It was also discussed that Dan Barrs had indicated a desire to serve another three year term.

A motion was made by Dr. Glenn Coulter to allow another term for Dan Barrs. It was seconded by Ed Handl and passed unanimously.

9a. Announcement of the Host Clubs for 2021. Bryan Walton and Terry Allen reported that there would be participation from the Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park (5360); Rotary Club of Fort Saskatchewan (5370) and Rotary Club of Edmonton Riverview (5370). They were moving forward, but until the Board chose a date there was not much to do. Once that was done at this meeting they would be moving forward on picking a venue. A discussion ensued and

it was determined that for several reasons September 17-19th, 2021 would be the date. They indicated they would appreciate assistance and Dr. Coulter volunteered to assist.

Bryan Walton then asked about getting seed money to start the process and it was explained that there was a provision for a \$2,000.00 loan from WGIPPA to start the process.

A motion was made to hold the AGM on September 17-19, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

Bryan Walton also announced to the group that the RI Convention in 2025 will be in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Maria Kliavkoff indicated a desire to work on that committee.

9b. Correspondence. The Secretary reported that there was no correspondence to report other than the financial reports that had been provided to the secretary by both treasurers.

10. President Gordon then turned the floor over to the Incoming President, Ed Handl. President Handl gave a presentation showing how the peace initiative explored in the Spring Meeting in Couer d' Alene, Idaho in 2019, can be compared to Covid. He stated that as the President he envisioned three goals. They were

1. Complete establishment of Fellowship of Rotary Peace Parks Advocates, where all WGIPPA Members and all Rotarians world wide can join in the peace effort.
2. Bringing in indigenous people from Waterton and the surrounding areas and include them as members of the WGIPPA in an effort to further the peace effort.
3. Initiate a viral peace movement that will envelope the earth someday, using the WGIPPA Peace Pledge as a key component, i.e., create a Peace Pandemic.

He went on to discuss the fact that in order to achieve these goals he wanted the members of WGIPPA to become active as members in the SOAR's groups. Those groups were ;

1. Outreach & Extension
2. Marketing and Promotion
3. Peace and Conflict

4. Relationships With Indigenous Communities.

He asked that WGIPPA Members go out and inoculate people with the peace pledge and start a Peace Pandemic.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Greg Duncan, Secretary WGIPPA