

**AFCC Ontario Chapter Annual General Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2016
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Board Members:

Andrea Himel, President	Phil Clay, Director
Geri Lynn Wong, President-Elect	Seema Jain, Director (Regrets Sent)
Dan Ashbourne, Vice President	Karla McGrath, Director
Shely Polak, Treasurer	Jay McGrory, Director
Rachel Birnbaum, Past President (Regrets Sent)	Linda Popielarczyk, Director
Linda Feldman, Secretary	Allan Rowsell, Director
Steven Benmor, Director	

Members Present: ~ 282 members registered for the AFCCO Conference

1. Call to Order
Andrea Himel welcomed everyone to the 8th Annual AGM and called the AGM to order.
2. Approval of Minutes from AGM 2015
Linda Feldman moved that all in attendance at the AGM approve the minutes of the October 23, 2015 AGM. **Motion seconded by Phil Clay.** All in favour. Motion Passed.
3. Amend Minutes from 2013 AGM to increase board membership from a maximum of 11 members to a maximum of 15 members
Andrea Himel reported that it came to the board's attention that the 2013 AGM minutes failed to include a motion properly brought and approved at that time to increase the maximum number of board members from 11 to 15. The membership was informed that the 2013 AGM minutes have been amended to reflect what actually took place on that day.
4. Motion to Amend AFCC-O Bylaws
Dan Ashbourne reported that the proposed amended bylaws have been provided to the membership for review and consideration. **Dan Ashbourne moved** that the proposed updated bylaws become the new and active bylaws of the Association. **Motion seconded by Jay McGrory.** All in favour. Motion Passed.

5. Nominating Committee Report

Dan Ashbourne reported that the Nominating Committee was making the following recommendations:

- a. That the following 5 individuals - Brian Burke, Justice Lene Madsen, Maxine Kerr, Nicholas Bala and Michelle Hayes - be put forward as new members of the AFCC-O board;
- b. That the following individuals return to the AFCCO board for a further three year term: Justice Allan Rowsell, Justice Gerri Lynn Wong, Dr. Dan Ashbourne and Shely Polak;
- c. That the Executive for 2016-17 will be: Gerri Lynn Wong as President, Dan Ashbourne as President Elect, Jay McGrory as Vice President, Shely Polak as Treasurer and Andrea Himel as Past President and Secretary;
- d. That the Nominating Committee for 2016-17 shall include: Andrea Himel as Past President, Gerri Lynn Wong as President, Dan Ashbourne as President Elect and Shely Polak as Treasurer.

Dan Ashbourne moved that the Nominating Committee's Report and Recommendations be approved. **Motion seconded by Linda Feldman.** All in favour. Motion Passed.

6. Treasurer's Report

Shely Polak reported that the auditor has indicated that the AFCCO is in good financial standing and that the audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016 have been accepted and approved by the Board as of October 18, 2016.

- **Linda Feldman moved** that the audited financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2016 be accepted by the AFCCO Chapter membership. **Motion seconded by Linda Popielarczyk.** All in favour. Motion passed.
- **Linda Popielarczyk moved** that the Auditors for the 2016-2017 year be Tinkham and Associates. **Motion seconded by Phil Clay.** All in favour. Motion Passed.

7. Outgoing President's Remarks

The outgoing President, Andrea Himel, reflected on how far the AFCCO has come and how the robust membership has collaboratively approached the challenges of how family justice is delivered. She thanked the Chapter members for an eventful and exciting year, and thanked the Board members and Kimberly for their work throughout the past year.

8. Incoming President's Remarks

The incoming President, Gerri Lynn Wong, thanked Andrea for her outstanding contribution and leadership to help make the AFCCO Chapter strong and relevant.

9. AGM Adjourned

Linda Feldman moved to adjourn the AGM at 8:45 a.m. **Motion seconded by Linda Popielarczyk.** All in favour. Motion Passed.

Secretary Signature  Gerri Lynn Wong, President

Date Oct 20, 2017