OADD

Annual General Meeting

April 20th, 2017

Hilton, Niagara, Watermark Restaurant

Niagara, ON

**Welcome Joe Persaud**

The meeting was called to order at 1:41 p.m. by Joe Persaud (board chair) who thanked everyone present for attending.

Joe then noted that a quorum of the board (9 board members) and thirty-five (35) additional OADD members were present. Joe explained the voting system; voting members are identified by a red sticker on their name tags.

**Approval of Agenda Joe Persaud**

Moved: Katherine Buell (Kingston)

Seconded: Nancy Wallace-Gero (Essex County)

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

Discussion: There was no discussion

CARRIED

**Approval of Minutes of Annual General Meeting April 7th, 2016 Joe Persaud**

Moved: Troy Calaiezzi (London)

Seconded: Gary Dowe (Timmins)

THAT the minutes be approved as presented.

Discussion: There was no discussion

CARRIED

**Chair’s report to the members Joe Persaud**

Joe thanked everyone for coming and thanked the Board members for their service over the year.

Joe reviewed the changes from the past year including the change in auditor, the new OADD-NADD scholarships, the website and the new marketing committee. Joe spoke briefly about the work of the various OADD board committees and asked those present to refer to the Annual Report for more details.

Joe thanked Surrey Place Centre for their support for the work of the board and thanked Jennifer Shaw, OADD’s administrative person.

**2016 Audited Financial Statements Lisa Holmes**

Joe Persaud introduced Lisa Holmes. Lisa reviewed the highlights of financial statements and the status of the association noting that a full report was available in the Annual Report. She finished by noting that the cash flow is good, the OADD has investments and is not in financial difficulty.

Moved: Jo Anne Link (Brantford)

Seconded: Michelle Palmer (London)

THAT the financial statements of 2016 be approved as presented.

Discussion: There was no discussion

CARRIED

**Appointment of Auditors Lisa Holmes**

Moved: Gary Dowe (Timmins)

Seconded: Nancy Wallace-Gero (Essex County)

THAT BDO Canada be appointed as auditors for 2017 – 2018

Discussion: There was no discussion

CARRIED

**Nominating Committee Report Tony Vipond**

Tony noted that details of the committee’s report were in the members’ package.

Tony read the report listing the returning Board members and those appointed as ex-officio.

Tony said that there was only one vacancy; Jay Rao had completed the maximum number of terms. Tony thanked Jay for his service and noted that the Nominating Committee had solicited and reviewed applications for the current vacancy however no suitable candidate had been nominated. Tony explained that the Board will address the vacancy as outlined in the bylaws.

Moved: Michelle Palmer (London)

Seconded: Carol Blaind (Port Hope)

THAT the report of the nominating committee be approved.

Discussion: There was no discussion

CARRIED

**Confirmation of Acts of the Board Gary Dowe**

Moved: Jo Anne Link (Brantford)

Seconded: Carol Blaind (Port Hope)

THAT all acts, encumbrances, bylaws, of the Board be confirmed by the general membership.

Discussion: There was no discussion

CARRIED

**Other Business Joe Persaud**

There was no other business.

Adjournment

Moved: Nancy Wallace-Gero (Essex County)

The meeting was adjourned without vote at 1:56 p.m. April 20th, 2017.