

Nova Scotia Chemists' Society

DRAFT MINUTES OF 9th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 18, 2012, Time: 19:00-21:00

Location

**Women's Council House
989 Young Avenue
Halifax, NS**



In Attendance	
Board Members:	
President Jim Frazee (JF)	
Secretary Gordon Boyce (GB)	
W. David Jamieson(WDJ)	
	Proxy Votes:
	Lamont Larkin
Members:	Patricic Leblanc
Sonia Gaul (SG)	VP Joyce Milley
J. Stuart Gossert (JSG)	Mark Gibson
Jocelyn Hellou (JH)	R.J. Boyd
Klara Chrzanowski	Sheila Crain
	Cory Pye
	J.W. Thorpe

The meeting was called to order by the Chair (JF) at 19:08. The Secretary noted that, with proxies, a quorum was in attendance. (Note: Copies of reports mentioned in these minutes were made available to the members at the meeting including the draft minutes of the 2011 AGM.)

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the Ninth Annual General Meeting of the Nova Scotia Chemists' Society (NSCS). Introductions of the Board followed. Everyone present was asked to identify him or herself.

2. **Minutes of 2011 AGM:** Copies of the draft Minutes of the Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Society, held on April 26, 2011, had been circulated to the membership by e-mail and distributed at the meeting. Moved by JSG, seconded by WDJ that these minutes be approved without amendment. Carried.

3. **Business arising from the Minutes:** Dr. Jamieson requested a personalized copy of the larger, reformatted membership certificate. The new wallet sized membership cards (with expiry date) were distributed to the members present. The remaining will be mailed to the membership. Large format Certificates of Membership will be issued only upon request to current members.

4. **President's Update AGM 2012:** JF presented his report. He also provided a handout regarding proposed business insurance to be provided through the Chemical Institute of Canada. Moved by GAB; seconded by WDJ that the report be accepted. Carried.

5. **Secretary's Report:** GB presented his report which was, essentially, a membership status update. Moved by WDJ, seconded by JH that the Secretary's report be accepted. Carried.

6. **Treasurer's Report:** In the absence of the Treasurer, the Secretary presented the reports on her behalf. Moved by GB, seconded by WDJ that the report be accepted. Carried.

7. At this point, there was an acknowledgement of appreciation of the able and willing assistance of Dr. John Roscoe as the Registrar of the Society.

8. **Nominating Committee Report and Elections:** The Secretary comprised the nominating committee and presented a slate consisting of current directors Frazee, Milley, Boyce, Gibson, and Jamieson. The Secretary called three times for nominations for President. None were forthcoming. Consequently Jim Frazee was acclaimed as President. JF then called, sequentially, three times for additional nominations for the three remaining officer positions. None were forthcoming. Milley and Boyce were acclaimed in their current positions, Vice President and Secretary respectively. JF then called, three times for additional nominations for board positions. Hellou, Gaul and Chrzanowski were either nominated or offered to stand. As the number offering did not exceed the maximum number permitted by the By-Laws, the five remaining members were acclaimed. WDJ offered the common room in his residence for board meetings.

9. It was moved by JSG, seconded by WDJ that the board be empowered to appoint additional directors from within the membership as needed to the maximum number permitted. Carried. This was considered advisable as the position of Treasurer had yet to be filled. (19:55)

10. **New Business:** Some members have been requesting a new membership category – Life Membership. This was deferred until our proposed Act is proclaimed. This is because the membership structure will consist of active and inactive chemists (and possibly others), i.e. licensed and non-licensed chemists and as a consequence, a fee structure will have to be developed. The new membership certificate/card scheme was briefly revisited as mentioned above.

11. The President gave a CPC (Canadian Professional Chemists) update. He also noted that with business insurance, a Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Procedures are required to be in place. JF noted that one does not have to be a member of the CIC/CSC to access insurance but that one MUST be a member of a provincial chemists' association to qualify.

12. There was a brief discussion on ways to boost membership.

13. **Other business:** Dr. Grossert stood to express general appreciation to the Board of Directors and other members who worked on behalf of the NSCS over the past year.

14. **Next AGM Meeting:** The Tenth AGM of the NSCS will be held in April 2013, date, place and time to be announced.

15. **Next meeting of the new Board of Directors:** To be announced.

16. The meeting adjourned at approximately 20:30 on a motion by JH. A short social session followed with refreshments.

Note: The reports, mentioned above, not included in this document are available from the secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon A. Boyce
Secretary
September 5, 2012

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ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012 (7:00-9:00 pm)

Location

**989 Young Ave,
(South End, not far from Saint Mary's University),
Halifax, NS**

RSVP to the Secretary (nscs@chebucto.ca)

7:00-7:05	WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
7:05-7:45	NSCS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Approval of the Minutes of the AGM2011 - Business arising - Report of the President - Report of the President - Report of Secretary - Report of Treasurer
7:45-8:00	REFRESHMENT BREAK
8:00-8:15	ELECTIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report of Nominating Committee - Elections of officers and board
8:15-8:45	NEW BUSINESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provision for Life Memberships and rate - Membership cards - CPC update - Measures to boost membership - Other Business
8:45-9:00	Social gathering
9:00	Adjournment

**Join us on April 18th. Bring a colleague and become a member of the NSCS; you can obtain a membership application form from our website:
<http://nscs.chebucto.org/>or at the meeting**