

Nova Scotia Chemists' Society

DRAFT MINUTES OF 15th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 25, 2018, Time: 19:00-21:00

Location

Seminar Room in the K. C. Irving Environmental Research Centre,
Acadia University, Wolfville, NS

In Attendance	
Board Members:	Proxy Votes:
Mr. W. J. Frazee, President (WJF)	5 – See report.
Secretary-Treasurer Gordon Boyce (GAB)	
Dr. Sonia Gaul (SG)	
Dr. J. Roscoe (JR)	
Mr. Tarig Sainuddin (TS)	
Members:	
Dr. Michael Quilliam	
Mr. Douglas Vaughan	

The meeting was called to order by the Chair (WJF) at 19:00. The Secretary noted that, with proxies, a quorum was represented. (Note: Copies of reports mentioned in these minutes had been made available to the members at the meeting including the draft minutes of AGM2017.) These are available from the Secretary upon request including the Proxy Report.

1. The Chair welcomed the group to the Fifteenth Annual General Meeting of the Nova Scotia Chemists' Society (NSCS).

2. **Minutes of 2017 AGM:** Copies of the draft Minutes of the Fourteenth Annual General Meeting of the Society, held on May 10, 2017, had been circulated to the membership by e-mail and were available at the meeting.

Moved by GAB, seconded by Quilliam and Vaughan that the minutes be accepted. Passed.

3. **Business arising from the Minutes:** Nil.

4. **President's Report:** The President read his annual report to the membership. This report was tabled and is available upon request.

5. **Secretary's Report:** GAB presented the following reports - a report on membership status, nomination committee report and the meeting's proxy report. They were accepted without motion.

6. **Treasurer's Report:** WJF presented the annual report for the 2017/2018 year.

Moved by SG seconded by Vaughan that the report be accepted as amended. Passed.

The amendment related to two expenses that had been mis-categorized. These were moved to the appropriate line item.

7. **Nominating Committee Report and Elections:** The Secretary comprised the nominating committee. The current Board re-offered. No nominations came forward despite e-mail requests to the membership. The Secretary called three times for additional nominations. Dr. Michael Quilliam and Mr. Douglas Vaughan volunteered to serve on the Board.

The Secretary called for close of nominations.

The current Board and the two volunteer nominations were acclaimed as the total remained less than the number permitted by the By-Laws. The current Board offered to serve in their present positions. This was accepted.

8. **New Business -** The Chemists' ring offered by the FCPC was discussed. The cost to the NSCS is expected to approximate \$25.00. These will be offered to the membership for \$35.00. It is envisioned that at sometime in the near future, a Chemist ring will be given upon approval of the applicant's application. However, an application charge will be levied to recoup these costs.

Cut-off date for current members to order a ring is April 30. It is assumed that the FCPC will stock a supply.

There was a short discussion on progress with the Chemists' Act. Slow but steady. The Society is not yet ready to meet with the NS government.

It was noted by the FCPC that Alberta had trademarked the term "Professional Chemist". The FCPC AGM is scheduled for April 26. WJF will attend via teleconference.

Moved by Vaughan seconded by Quilliam that the Society investigate the trade-marking of "Professional chemist" or equivalent expression.

After a short discussion, it was decided to table this in order to clarify the task. Other points: Such a move would not apply to student members. Also, the By-Laws would have to be updated should the Society be successful in obtaining such a privilege.

9. **FCPC:** See New Business..

10. **Other Business:** Nil.

11. **Next AGM Meeting:** The Sixteenth AGM of the NSCS will be held in May 2019 at a date, place and time to be announced.

12. **Meeting of the new Board of Directors:** May 16, 2018 place and time TBD location.

13. The meeting adjourned by GAB at 8:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon A. Boyce
Secretary
May 31, 2018

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ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, April 25, 2018 (6:30 for 7:00 pm)

Location

**Seminar Room in the K. C. Irving Environmental Research Centre,
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RSVP to the Secretary (gordon_boyce@ns.sympatico.ca)

7:00-7:05	WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
7:05-7:45	NSCS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Approval of the Minutes of the AGM2017 - Business arising - Report of the President - Report of Secretary/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"> - Chemists' ring - Progress on the furtherance of the Chemical Professions Act - FCPC update - Other Business
8:45-9:00	Adjournment
9:00	Social gathering

Join us on April 25th and bring a prospective member; you can obtain a membership application form from our website: <http://nscs.chebucto.org/>