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## 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF CALGARY HOMELESS FOUNDATION MEMBERS

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**Date:** 24-Jun-19

**Time:** 2:30 -3:30 pm

**Location:** Burnswest Theatre, Fort  
Calgary, 750 9 Avenue SE

**Prepared By:** Kaye Lebherz

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### Attendees

**Presiding Member:** Gerald Chipeur, Board Chair

**Board Attendees:** Wayne Barkauskas, Jeff Boyd, Luana Comin-Sartor, Ellen Dungen, Brenda Huband, Ron Kneebone, Diana Krecsy, Scott McElligott, Sat Parhar, Leigh-Anne Palter, Krista White

**Staff Attendees:** Gail Boehm, Coleen Hutton, Matthew Nomura

**Regrets:** Tracee Collins, Greg Draper, Lourdes Juan, Patricia Kaiser, Alexandra Nuth, David Ross, Evan Woolley

### Discussion

#### Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

- Board Chair Gerald Chipeur thanked Walter MacDonald White Bear for the music and welcomed everyone to the 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Calgary Homeless Foundation. Gerald played the Calgary Foundation Land Acknowledgement video and acknowledged the Treaty 7 Territory.

#### Opening Blessing

- Gerald introduced and welcomed Elder Casey Eagle Speaker who is also known by his traditional name "Sorrel Horse" to his people within the Blackfoot Confederacy.
- Elder Casey Eagle Speaker provided the blessing.

#### Official Call to Order

- Gerald thanked Casey for providing the blessing for today's event and invited everyone to review the agenda.
- Gerald advised that in accordance with the organization's by-laws, members would be asked to make motions (members will stand and identify themselves) and to vote on motions (by a show of cards) where each member present and entitled to vote shall have one vote.
- The Recording Secretary was identified as Kaye Lebherz, Executive Assistant to Diana Krecsy.
- At least seven (7) members must be present to constitute quorum. Quorum was noted as being achieved and Gerald declared the meeting as regularly called.
- CHF Members were notified of the AGM and copies were available outside the room.
- Gerald called for a motion to ask CHF Members to adopt the agenda for the meeting.

#### **Motion that the agenda be adopted by the members**

Moved by: Brenda Huband

Seconded by: Ellen Dungen

**Carried**

### President's Report

- Gerald introduced Diana Krecsy, President & CEO of CHF to present the Presidents' Report.
- Diana advised that CHF will continue to hold government accountable to fund the services for the population they are accountable to.
- The new government is looking at civic leadership, a space CHF has been leading for 10 years:
  - Calgary was the first urban centre in Canada to prove unequivocally that collective impact works.
  - More than 10,000 people were housed over 10 years. Currently the homeless population is 2,911 and would have exceeded 14,000 had nothing had changed.
  - Created HMIS (Homeless Management Information System).
  - Over the last 10 years, Housing First has proven that every \$1 spent represents a savings of \$2.80 to public systems resulting in a total savings of \$1.26 Billion dollars through decreased ER visits, EMS calls, and involvement with Justice, among others. Court appearances went up because people are showing up (this is a good thing!).
  - As a system planner, CHF often finds itself in the neutral zone, while around are agendas and platforms shooting at different targets all the time, leaving CHF in the crossfire. As a system planner, we learn to take the hits, to duck, and to lead and do so with integrity.
  - On good days, the moving targets are aligned and synergistic, and we harness and leverage them to greater output. Energy, optimism, creativity and collaboration are in abundance.
  - Other times, external forces appear to be in conflict or ambiguous and sometimes even opposing in nature. These are the bad days and we lean on each other's strengths, make hard decisions, and look at the evidence. Sometimes resources need to be eliminated. On these days team energy is high, the conversations intense and robust, courageous and passionate because we are. Our spirit to innovate is raised and failure is not an option.
  - Calgary is the first urban centre in Canada to sunset a 10-year plan to end homelessness. At the end of the plan, a consultation with community resulted in the Living Legacy report which CHF shares so that other regions don't stumble in the same places Calgary did.
  - CHF held its second annual Trail Blazer Breakfast (TBB). CHF does not fundraise for program supports, as the government is accountable to support their citizens. CHF does not fundraise in competition with agencies for program funding. As a system planner, CHF fundraises for innovation, test pilots, and rapid testing of research to get collective benefit moved into the system. The 2020 TBB will feature keynote speaker Lieutenant-General (ret.) Roméo Dallaire who has for decades been talking about PTSD, the role that mental health plays in homelessness, and what it takes to challenge systems.
  - The Belzberg research grant will impact the system. In year one, the funds will be invested on Indigenous research, and a framework has been developed to understand how Indigenous needs can be handled within Treaty 7.
  - Housing First is not Housing Only. This past year with HomeSpace, more buildings went up, The Maple was opened, and two more builds are in progress. This couldn't have been done without the RESOLVE Campaign and trail blazing leaders.

- Good work is happening, and CHF is currently developing its Strategic Directives to determine how to best help the community to move forward. Functional Zero is about achieving a balance so that those who fall are supported by public services.

### Board Chair Report

- Gerald thanked Diana for the leadership shown in the last year and presented the Board Report.
- Gerald provided an overview of the history of Calgary Homeless Foundation and thanked Mrs. Betty Ann Smith (the late Arthur R. Smith's wife) for joining today.
- As the System Planner and System-Level leader for the Calgary HSSC, CHF ensures the highest quality of care is delivered to the most vulnerable individuals and support agencies to implement evidence-based best practices.
- On behalf of CHF, Gerald acknowledged the Government of Alberta and their contributions to Housing First programs and Permanent Supportive Housing developments.
- On behalf of CHF, Gerald thanked the Federal government who continue to support CHF through Housing First programs.
- On behalf of CHF, Gerald thanked our Indigenous leaders who continually inform us to make sure we are culturally inclusive.
- On behalf of CHF, Gerald thanked the City of Calgary which has committed to moving forward on several initiatives identified in Calgary's Plan to End Homelessness such as accelerating development permits for Housing First initiatives.
- The decade long journey we've undertaken has not come to an end, but presents an opportunity to celebrate achievements, share learnings and turn vision toward what the future of ending homelessness looks like. Together we will continue to develop Our Living Legacy through courageous leadership, perseverance, passion, and commitment to course-correcting as we chart our way to the end of homelessness in Calgary.
- No organization or government can fulfill the mission alone and together we can achieve a Functional Zero end to homelessness in our city. CHF will continue to build system level partnerships and ensure clients receive the right services, from the right provider, in the right place, at the right time.

### Financial Report

- Gerald introduced Leigh-Anne Palter to present the Financial Report together with the Report of the Auditors.
- Leigh-Anne advised that the auditors, KPMG LLP submitted their Audit Report and, in their opinion, the financial statements present fairly CHF's results in 2019 and thanked the auditors and CHF's internal finance group for an efficient audit process.
- For the year ending March 31, 2019, total revenue of \$62.0 M decreased from the prior year by \$600,000 primarily due to decreased funds distributed by the RESOLVE Campaign. The deficiency of revenue over expenses was \$800,000, a decline of \$1.4M from last year, primarily due to increased one-time programming expenditures to drawdown accumulated program reserves.
- At year end, CHF held an asset base of \$21M, the same as last year, which consists primarily of cash and short-term investments held for programs. At year end, there are no deficits in either the System Programs or Operating Funds accounts.

- Overall it has been a strong year financially for CHF as outlined in the MD&A and Audited Financial Statements posted on CHF's website.

#### Appointment of Auditors

- Gerald thanked Leigh-Anne Palter and called for a motion that KPMG LLP be appointed as CHF's Auditors for the fiscal year 2019-20.

#### **Motion that KPMG LLP be appointed CHF's auditors for the fiscal year 2019-2020.**

Moved by: Leigh-Anne Palter

Seconded by: Luana Comin-Sartor

**Carried**

#### Ratification of Past Acts

- Gerald called for a motion to confirm the resolutions of the Board of Directors of CHF since CHF's last Annual General Meeting. Members were provided with a copy of this resolution and it reads:

Be it resolved: that all acts, contracts, by-laws, proceedings, appointments, elections and payments (the "Acts") enacted, made, done, and taken by the Directors and Officers of the Society, commencing on the date of June 28, 2018 up to and including June 24, 2019 and as set out or referred to in the Minutes of the Meetings of the Board of Directors, be and the same are hereby approved, sanctioned and confirmed and shall relate back to the date when the Acts were first made, done, or taken by the Directors or Officers of the Society".

#### **Motion to confirm the resolutions of the Board of Directors of CHF from June 28, 2018 to June 24, 2019.**

Moved by: Ron Kneebone

Seconded by: Scott McElligott

**Carried**

#### Election of Directors

##### **Honorary Members**

- Gerald advised that in addition to ongoing terms of Regular Directors, the Board will be reconfirming the appointment of Honorary Members, individuals who have made significant contributions to CHF and are willing to provide further energy and expertise into the mission.

They are:

- John Currie
- Stephanie Felesky
- Brian O'Leary

##### **Re-election**

- Gerald requested that Regular Directors standing for re-election raise their hand to identify themselves when their names are called out:
  - Gerald Chipeur
  - Jeff Boyd
  - Luana Comin-Sartor
  - Ellen Dungen
  - Brenda Huband
  - Patricia Kaiser
  - Scott McElligott
  - Leigh-Anne Palter
  - Sat Parhar
  - Dr. David Ross
  - Krista White
  - Evan Woolley
- And Diana Krecsy as Ex-Officio Director

- Gerald called for a motion to re-confirm these individuals.

**Motion that the aforementioned individuals be reconfirmed as Honorary, Regular, and Ex Officio Directors to CHF until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.**

Moved by: Ellen Dungen

Seconded by: Leigh-Anne Palter

**Carried**

### **New Directors**

- To ensure CHF has a strong and experienced Board of collaborative leaders representing Calgary, the following persons presented themselves for election. Each was asked to stand as their names are called out:

- Kellie Donohue
- John McCarthy
- Carey Mogdan
- Matt Mura
- Stephanie Prior
- Shilpa Sharma
- Alan Stewart
- Jason Strandberg
- Peter Stratton
- Leslie Weekes

- Gerald called for a motion to elect these individuals as Regular Directors to CHF until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.

**Motion that the aforementioned individuals be elected as Regular Directors to CHF until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.**

Moved by: Leigh-Anne Palter

Seconded by: Jeff Boyd

**Carried**

### Thank Departing Directors

- On behalf of CHF, Gerald thanked the following directors for their leadership, vision, and commitment to CHF as they helped move CHF closer to the goal of ending homelessness.

- Wayne Barkauskas
- Tracee Collins
- Greg Draper
- Lourdes Juan
- Ron Kneebone
- Alexandra Nuth

### Traditional Flute Music

- Gerald invited Walter MacDonald White Bear to perform traditional flute music.

### Adjournment of Business Meeting

- Gerald thanked Walter MacDonald White Bear for the music and time for reflection. During this time of reflection, Gerald was made aware of a point of order missed earlier in the session and called for a motion to approve the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.

**Motion that the minutes for the 2018 Annual Meeting be approved as presented.**

Moved by: Jeff Boyd

Seconded by: Scott McElligott

**Carried**

- Gerald advised that the formal business meeting was now concluded and called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**Motion that this meeting is adjourned.**

Moved by: Luana Comin-Sartor

Seconded by: Brenda Huband

**Carried**

### Close Meeting

- Gerald thanked Fort Calgary for graciously hosting the event.

- CHF sees everyone working collaboratively to create an even stronger HSSC and to make even bigger impacts on people's lives and in community.
- CHF is excited about the societal impacts that will be co-created with agencies at the front lines, government partners, and everyone who contributes so much to ensuring that together, we will end homelessness in Calgary.
- Gerald invited attendees to move to the main floor Barracks room for refreshments and networking.

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:36 pm.

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