Toronto Humane Society 2024 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 6:00 pm Meeting held Virtually via GetQuorum

1. Welcome

Amanda Bustard from GetQuorum described how GetQuorum would moderate Toronto Humane Society's (Society) Annual General Meeting (AGM) and demonstrated how voting would take place.

President Josh Shanahan acted as Chair and called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. He welcomed the members to the 2024 AGM. The Chair noted that GetQuorum was scrutineer of the AGM.

The Chair thanked the members who were participating in this virtual AGM, as well as those members who participated in the Members' Town Hall on August 21, 2024.

The Chair then introduced the panel members and the Board of Directors. He asked the members to join him in thanking retiring directors Malcolm Bernstein, Krista Bulmer, Yussef Hafez and Peter Newell for their great work and dedication to the Society while serving on the Board.

Having been advised by the scrutineer that a quorum of members was present, the Chair declared the meeting to be duly called and properly constituted for the business of the meeting.

2. Notice of Meeting

The Chair reported that all active and lifetime members of the Society had been mailed a Notice of the Annual General Meeting on July 22, 2024.

3. Election of Directors

The Chair advised that, as Melissa MacIver had withdrawn her candidacy, there were now eight candidates running for seven seats available on the Board of Directors, five for a three-year term, one for a two-year term, and one for a one-year term. The following candidates were nominated in accordance with the Society's bylaw: Alexandra Kelso, Christina Di Rosa, Damian Creber, Gary

Milakovic, Liz Everett, Marcie Somers, Roxanna Yanofsky and Koryn Greenspan. Members were sent information provided by the candidates.

The Chair advised that the results of the election would be posted on the Society's website.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting

The Chair noted that the Minutes of the 2023 AGM had been posted on the Society's website and had been made available to the members. With the consent of the meeting, he dispensed with the reading of the Minutes and asked for a motion to adopt them.

THAT the Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting be adopted.

Moved: Krista Bulmer Seconded: Damian Creber Carried.

5. Confirmation of Proceedings

The Chair asked the members to confirm that the proceedings of the Board since the last Annual General Meeting of Members be approved.

THAT all by-laws, resolutions, contracts, acts and proceedings of the Board of Directors and the officers of the Society enacted, passed, made, done or taken since the last Annual General Meeting be approved, ratified and confirmed.

Moved: Charissa Lai Seconded: Gary Milakovic Carried.

6. Audited Financial Statements

The Society's Treasurer, Damian Creber, noted that the financial statements, including the Auditor's report, were available on the Society's website, and that they had been made available to the members. With the meeting's permission, he dispensed with the reading of the Auditor's report.

The Treasurer requested a motion to receive the 2023 audited financial statements.

THAT the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 and the Auditor's report be received.

Moved: Adrienne Macdonald Seconded: Alexandre Rochtchine Carried.

7. Appointment of Auditor

The Society's Treasurer, Damian Creber, asked for a motion to approve KPMG as the Society's auditors for the coming year.

THAT KPMG be appointed as the Toronto Humane Society's auditor until the close of the next Annual General Meeting (or until they are replaced), and that the Board be authorized to fix their remuneration.

Moved: Julie Barac Seconded: Nabila Tisha Carried.

8. Termination of Meeting

The Chair advised that as there was no other business, the meeting was concluded. He thanked the staff and volunteers for their hard work and dedication to the Society and the animals. He also thanked the candidates for coming forward, and the members for participating in the AGM. He indicated that he was available to answer any questions members may have and provided his contact information. The Chair wished the members well and said that he looked forward to seeing them at upcoming shelter and community events.

The meeting was then terminated.

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Josh Shanahan, President	Claudette Turner, Recording Secretary
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