



Society of PM Professionals

OF GREATER VANCOUVER

General Meeting November 26, 2008 MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Denise Holleran-Boswell, President, called the meeting to order at 12:40 pm and welcomed officers and members.

1.1 Quorum

It was noted by the President that the Members of the Society, present at a business meeting for which proper notice has been given, constitute a quorum.

1.2 Rules of Order

The President announced that Roberts Rules of Order would be followed. There were no objections voiced.

1.3 Record of Meeting

Meeting minutes were taken by Gary Murphy, the current Secretary/Treasurer

1.4 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Rose Melzer
Seconded by: Anne Schwarz

That the agenda as provided in the Seminar Proceedings handout for November 26, 2008 be adopted.

Carried.

2. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: Rose Melzer
Seconded by: Anne Schwarz

That the minutes of the November 21, 2007 meeting be adopted as reported in the seminar binder of November 26, 2008.

Carried.

3. Reports of the Officers

President's Report:

The President, Denise Holleran-Boswell, reported that 4 seminars were conducted in the year. A show of hands indicated that the seminars continue to provide a good value for money opportunity to network and obtain PDUs.

She reiterated the cancellation policy and encouraged early cancellations to relieve pressure on the registration team.

Secretary Treasurer's Report:

The Secretary Treasurer, Gary Murphy, reported that the Society continues to manage seminars well and make provision for overhead costs. Four seminars were conducted in the year. The society has covered all the costs and has a year end surplus, despite the increase in facility and catering costs. The surplus can be applied to the purchase of a projector. We expect the facility and catering rates to remain stable for 2010, allowing us to hold our seminar fees at a reasonable level.

The number of no shows over the year to date past has been controlled.

Registrar's Report:

The Registrar, Walter Wawruck, provided an update on the number of members of the Society. The list provided in the seminar proceedings handout for November 26, 2008 identified 261 members. PMP's not listed as members were encouraged to complete a Membership Application Form to be eligible to participate in the Election Process.

4. Election of Officers

The officers of the Society were elected following nominations from the floor. The positions were filled by acclamation as shown in the table below. The term of office will be until the next election of Society officers to be held at the Annual General Meeting in November 2009.

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	Seconder	Motion to close	Disposition
President	Denise Holleran-Boswell	Jim Tucker	Rob Schulz / John Cook	Consent by show of hands	Elected
Secretary Treasurer	Gary Murphy	Jacques Marut	George Santos / Neal Ross	Consent by show of hands	Elected
Registrar	Walter Wawruck	Alberto Cayela	Mary Jean Payeur	Consent by show of hands	Elected

5. Dates of Future Meetings

5.1 Next Professional Development Seminars

Moved by: Rob Schulz
Seconded by: Bill Sinclair

That the Officers be authorized to organize and conduct a program of Professional Development Seminars during the year 2009, comparable to the program that has been conducted in the past, and incorporating the results of the November 26, 2008 program planning workshop.

Carried

5.2 Annual General Meeting

Moved by: Anne Schwarz
Seconded by: John Cook

That the next Annual General Meeting be scheduled for November 25, 2009.

Carried

6. Projector Purchase

Moved by: Jim Tucker

Seconded by: Bill Hall

That the executive be authorized to purchase a projector for the Society.

Carried

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7. Registration Limit

Moved by: Dan Baum

Seconded by: Bill Hall

That the Society increase the number of attendees at seminars.

A discussion followed that heard advantages and disadvantages of changing the number of attendees, including:

- The impact on the character of interactions and networking
- The comfort level of seminar management in handling larger events
- The ability to attract enough volunteer presenters for such events

Amendment Moved by: Bill Hall

Seconded by: Alberto Cayelo

That the Society enable the assessment of the interactions and options for successful seminars. This can include looking at SIGs, post seminar evaluations, questionnaires, etc.

Amendment Carried

Amended Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned by the chair. .

We certify that this is an accurate record of the Annual General Meeting held on November 26, 2008.

Gary Murphy, PMP
(Recording Secretary)

Walter A. Wawruck, PMP, Registrar

