

Aboriginal Tourism Association of Canada (ATAC)

**Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Thursday, December 15th, 2016
9:00 AM**

Membertou Trade and Convention Center
50 Maillard Street
Membertou, Nova Scotia

Glooscap Room

Thursday, December 15th, 2016

Approved Minutes

Attendance:

Voting Members in accordance with ATAC membership requirements

1. Gene O'Donnell – Nunavut
2. Tracy Eyssens – BC
3. Mike Willie - BC
4. Jeff Provost – Manitoba
5. Linda Sarazin – Ontario
 - a. Additional rep - Trina Mather Simard – Ontario
6. Suzanne Mayham
7. Teresa Doolittle - Ontario
8. Jillian Larkham – Newfoundland and Labrador
9. Charlene Alexander – Yukon
10. Robert Bernard – Nova Scotia
11. Lori Beaver – Alberta
12. Dave Laveau – Quebec
13. Kylik Taylor – Northwest Territories

Non-Voting Members and Guests in attendance

14. Brad Cline - AANDC
15. Todd Haynes
16. Judy Karwacki
17. Keith Henry – ATAC
18. Casey Vanden Heuvel – ATAC
19. Cecilia Point – ATAC
20. Sherry Daniels - ATAC



1. Opening Prayer 9:00 AM

An opening prayer was provided to initiate the 1st Annual General Meeting.

2. Opening Remarks 9:05 AM
 - a. Chair Trina Mather Simard

ATAC Chair Trina Mather Simard provided opening comments and thanked everyone for the support to build ATAC. She highlighted the success of the International Aboriginal Tourism Conference and thanked everyone for supporting her during her years of participation with ATAC.

3. Call to Order – Verification of quorum 9:10 AM

ATAC President and CEO Keith Henry advised the members and guests in attendance that a sign in sheet was provided for the record and quorum would be established in accordance with bylaws. There was a reminder about requirements for eligibility of voting status and that thirteen organizations/members were eligible to vote. Motions would be passed by simple majority of eligible members in attendance.

4. Approval of AGM Chair 9:15 AM

***Motion 2016/12/15 – 01 – To appoint ATAC corporate lawyer Malcolm MacPherson
Moved Robert Bernard
Seconded Trina Mather Simard
Carried***

Mr. MacPherson took the floor and introduced himself to the delegation.

5. Approval of Draft Agenda 9:20 AM

***Motion 2016/12/15 -02 – The Draft Agenda presented to the ATAC members is approved.
Moved: Robert Bernard
Seconded: David Laveau
Carried***

6. ATAC Reporting 9:25 AM
 - a. Review Annual Report – April 1st, 2015-March 31st, 2016
 - i. President and CEO Mr. Keith Henry
 - b. ATAC Financial Statements April 1st, 2015-March 31st, 2016
 - i. Lyle Brown, Culver and Co – Independent Auditor
 - ii. Cecilia Point, ATAC Finance Controller
 - c. 2016-2017 – ATAC Financial Forecast

***Motion 2016/12/15 - 03 – That the Annual Report presented to the ATAC members is hereby approved.
Moved: Jeff Provost
Seconded: Robert Bernard
Carried***



Motion 2016/12/15 - 04 – That the Financial Statements presented to the ATAC members is hereby approved.

Moved: Charlene Alexander

Seconded Lori Beaver

Carried

Motion 2016/12/15 - 05 – That Culver & Co be appointed to attend to the preparation of ATAC's Financial Statements for 2016 – 2017.

Moved: Robert Bernard

Seconded: David Laveau

Carried

Motion 2016/12/15 -06 – That the Financial Forecast presented to the ATAC members is hereby approved.

Moved: Robert Bernard

Seconded: David Laveau

Carried

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| 7. ATAC Year 1 (Five Year Plan) Implementation Highlights | 10:15 AM |
| a. Training | |
| b. Product Development | |
| c. Marketing | |
| d. Membership | |

Motion 2016/12/15 - 07 – That the Five Year Plan implementation update presented to the ATAC members is hereby approved.

Moved: Jeff Provost

Seconded: Kylik Taylor

Carried

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| 8. ATAC Board Elections | 10:30 AM |
| a. ATAC Executive Committee Selection | |

Motion 2016/12/16 - 08 – That ATAC's prior Board is dissolved and that the newly acclaimed/elected Board is hereby approved as follows as presented in a report by the ATAC President and CEO:

- 1. British Columbia – Mike Willie – Sea Wolf Adventurers (New)***
- 2. Alberta – Lori Beaver (Incumbent)***
- 3. Saskatchewan –Dana Soonias (Incumbent)***
- 4. Manitoba- Jeff Provost (Incumbent)***
- 5. Ontario – Kevin Eshkawkogan (Incumbent)***
- 6. Quebec – Dave Laveau (Incumbent)***
- 7. New Brunswick – Patricia Dunnett (Incumbent)***
- 8. Nova Scotia – Robert Bernard (Incumbent)***
- 9. Prince Edward Island – Charlie Sark (Incumbent)***
- 10. Labrador/Newfoundland – Jillian Larkham - Director of Tourism with the Nunatsiavut Government (New)***
- 11. Yukon Territory – Charlene Alexander (Incumbent)***



- 12. Northwest Territories – Kylik Taylor – Tundra North Tours (New)**
- 13. Nunavut Territory – Gene O'Donnell – Artic Bay Adventures (New)**

The ATAC board acted as the Nomination's Committee and accepted the list of candidates at a convened meeting November 18th, 2016 following the close of the ATAC board application process November 15th in accordance with the bylaws.

ATAC promoted board applications through the ATAC website, social media channels and email updates.

Moved: Trina Simard
Seconded: Charlene Alexander
Carried

Motion 2016/12/15 - 09 – That the Executive Committee selection of officers is hereby approved as:

- **Chair – Robert Bernard**
- **Vice Chair – Dave Laveau**
- **Secretary Jeff Provost**
- **Please note the Treasurer position was deferred to be determined by the board at the January 2017 board meeting. 2 names were considered; Charlie Sark and Dana Soonias**

Moved: Kylik Taylor
Seconded: Dave Laveau
Carried

The elected board also determined terms as follows:

2 Year Term:

- Patricia Dunnett (NB)
- Dana Soonias (SK)
- Jillian Larkham (Newfoundland & Labrador)
- Gene O'Donnell (Nunavut)
- Robert Bernard (Nova Scotia)
- Dave Laveau (Quebec)
- Jeff Provost (Manitoba)

1 Year Term:

- Charlene Alexander (Yukon)
- Kylik Taylor (NWT)
- Kevin Eshkakogan (Ontario)
- Charlie Sark (PEI)
- Mike Willie (BC)
- Lori Beaver (Alberta)

*Motion 2016/12/15 - 10 – That the ATAC AGM is hereby closed.
Moved: Robert Bernard
Carried unanimously*

9. Closing Prayer

10:55 AM

Approved by:

ATAC Chairperson
ATAC Secretary

Dated: November 9th, 2017

