



DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES

Our Lady of Good Counsel Society

23 Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

All Saints Parish Hall

821 Fairfax St. Coquitlam, BC

Call to Order

Robert Tanaka

Prayer

Fr. Augustine Obiwumma

Introduction Board and Staff

Robert Tanaka

Adoption of Agenda

Robert Tanaka

Motion: Moved by Jody Garneau and seconded by Debra Padron to adopt the agenda as circulated. **Carried**

Introduction of guest speaker

Elaine Moonen

Sr. Nancy Brown

Appreciation

Susan Schembri

Susan thanked Sr. Nancy for the informative talk and presented her with a token of appreciation.

BREAK

Recall to Order

Robert Tanaka

Adoption of Minutes of 22nd Annual General Meeting

Motion: Moved by Maureen Carter and seconded by Gloria Gausboel to adopt the minutes of 22nd AGM as circulated. **Carried**

President's Report (attached)

Robert Tanaka

Treasurer's Report (attached)
Eva's House Report (attached)

Susan Schembri
Agnes Drewniak

Motion: Moved by Susan Schembri and seconded by Jody Garneau to accept the December 31, 2018 Financial Statement as presented. **Carried**

Motion: Moved by Susan Schembri and seconded by Debra Padron to accept the operating budget/capital budget as circulated. **Carried**

Motion: Moved by Susan Schembri and seconded by Jody Garneau to waive the audit of the Financial Statements of the Society for the year ending December 31, 2018. **Carried**

Vic-President report (attached)

Jill Cook

Knights of Columbus /Eva's House Liaison report (attached)

Ian MacDonald

Education/Fundraising Committee report (attached)

Maureen Fadum

Thrift Store Liaison report (attached)

Maureen Carter

Secretary report (attached)

Leslie Mitchell

CWL Liaison report (attached)

Gloria Gausboel

Communications report (attached)

Jody Garneau

NEW BUSINESS

Helpline Volunteer Training – Maureen Fadum emphasized the need for more volunteers for the Helpline. A minimum of 6 people is desired for each training session. Once trained, you remain at your residence to receive calls during a 4 hour timeframe. The Helpline provides an invaluable service to women in distress.

Thank you – Agnes Drewniak read a thank you letter from a mother with 4 children who recently went through Eva's House.

Appreciation to CWL Councils and All Saints Parish

Gloria Gausboel

Gloria thanked All Saints CWL for the lovely reception and all CWL Councils for their contributions to DAS.

Thrift Store Volunteers – the need for more volunteers for the Thrift Store was expressed.

Election of Officers

Susan Schembri

Susan noted that the Society Act has been updated and we have reviewed our bylaws and are in compliance with the Act. The Board will consist of 4 Officers (Pres, VP, Treasurer and Secretary) and 8 or more Directors. Board members are elected to a two year term with alternate start times to ensure smooth transition.

Nominees for 2019/2020 election:

- Maureen Fadum
- Maureen Carter
- Elaine Moonen
- Debra Padron
- Suzanne Latta
- Kathy van Dokkumburg

Incumbents 2019/2020:

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| • President | Bob Tanaka |
| • Treasurer | Susan Schembri |
| • Secretary | Leslie Mitchell |
| • Knights of Columbus/Eva’s House Liaison | Ian MacDonald |
| • Communications | Jody Garneau |

Motion: Moved by Jody Garneau and seconded by Gloria Gausboel that the slate of officers be elected as presented. **Carried**

Fond Farewell – Bob acknowledged the hard work and dedication of the following Board members who will be leaving DAS:

- Gloria Gausboel
- Jill Cook
- Tita Pablo
- Niki Muir

Spiritual Advisor's Closing Remarks and Prayer

Fr. Obiwumma

Father Augustine noted that in a world of uncertainty and violence, Domestic Abuse Services is making a difference. God grants us the grace to be people of compassion and DAS is all about compassion. The need to recruit new members to this beautiful ministry is essential. He suggested reaching out to young people to volunteer in the Thrift Store. He concluded his remarks with God's blessing to guide Domestic Abuse Services.

Motion for Adjournment

<p>Motion: Moved by Debra Padron and seconded by Jody Garneau to adjourn the 23rd Annual General Meeting.</p>	<p>Carried</p>
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