NOVA SCOTIA CHEMISTS' SOCIETY DRAFT MINUTES OF 8th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 26, 2011, Time: 19:00-21:00

Location

Board Room in the K. C. Irving Environmental Research Centre, Acadia University Wolfville, NS

In Attendance	
Board Members:	
President Jim Frazee (JF)	
Vice President Joyce Milley (JM)	
Secretary Gordon Boyce (GB)	
Registrar John Roscoe (JR)	
Mark Gibson (MG)	
	Proxy Votes:
Members:	Hui Sheng Li
Sonic Gaul (SG)	William Hardstaff
Anthony Tong	Patricia LeBlanc
Kelvin Ogilvie (KO)	Bharat Arora
J. Stuart Gossert (JSG)	Sheila Crain
Lamont Larkin	Jocelyn Hellou
Martin Gillis	David Jamieson

The meeting was called to order by the Chair (JF) at 19:10. The Secretary noted that, with proxies, a quorum was in attendance. (Note: Copies of reports mentioned in these minutes were made available to the members at the meeting including the draft minutes of the 2010 AGM.)

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Nova Scotia Chemists' Society (NSCS). Introductions of the Board followed. Everyone present was asked to identify him or herself.

- 2. **Minutes of 2009 AGM:** Copies of the draft Minutes of the Seventh Annual General Meeting of the Society, held on April 21, 2010, had been distributed at the meeting. Moved by GB, seconded by JM that these minutes be approved. Carried.
- 3. Dr. Ogilvie moved that, since all reports of officers had been made available to the members present, that they be accepted as printed and voted upon immediately. There was general agreement with this proposal. These reports are appended to these minutes.
- 4. **President's Report:** JF presented his report. Moved by JF; seconded by JR that the report be accepted. Carried!
- 5. **Secretary's Report:** GB presented his report. Moved by GB, seconded by KO that the Secretary's report be accepted. Carried!
- 6. **Treasurer's Report:** In the absence of the Treasurer, the Secretary presented the reports on her behalf. Moved by GB, seconded by KO that the report be accepted. Carried!
- 7. Business arising from the Minutes: Nil.
- 8. **Nominating Committee Report and Elections:** The Secretary comprised the nominating committee and presented a slate (attached) consisting of current directors Frazee, Milley, Sheng, Boyce, Gibson, Roscoe and Jamieson as well as member Gillis. The Secretary called three times for nominations for President. None were forthcoming so Jim Frazee was acclaimed as President. JF then called, sequentially, three times for additional nominations for the three remaining officer positions. None were forthcoming so the positions were acclaimed. JF then called, three times for additional nominations for board positions. None were put forward. Consequently KO moved the slate be approved and acclaimed.

Refreshment Break: After a refreshment break the meeting resumed at 20:17.

9. **New Business:** The presence of the NSCS on FACEBOOK was brought up for discussion as some members had suggested this in the recent past. KO raised the concern as to the anominity of the members. Nevertheless he approved of such an initiative as long as privacy concerns were addressed. JSG was concerned in that there was no way to track those accessing the site. JR suggested that LINKIN be considered. MG was of the opinion that this option was a useful tool and that it was gaining popularity. JSG added that these options would be an adjunct to our website.

- 10. The subject of criteria for membership was brought up for discussion. It was pointed out that national criteria were being developed by the provincial societies. JSG suggested that the regime used by the engineers be followed ordinary membership, then licensure. MG recommended that the requirements of other, established societies be looked at.. GB listed the typical membership status designations student, ordinary, associate, honorary.. JSG enquired as to the next sitting of the legislature (presumable in relation to the progress of out act). JF mentioned that it would be this coming fall.
- 11. S.G. enquired about out-of-province applications. It was reported that two applications had been refused as these applicants had more appropriate options at hand. It was mentioned that the NSCS would consider applications from New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.
- 12. At the request of a member, membership cards were proposed in place of the large certificates. There was general approval for this change.
- 13. KO spoke in appreciation of the board's efforts over the past year. JSG "seconded" this vote of thanks. The President also thanks his board members for their service over the past year. The President and the Secretary expressed appreciation to KO and JSG for keeping the meeting on track when it appeared it was about to digress away from the agenda!

14. Next AGM Meeting:

The Eighth AGM of the NSCS will be held in April 20, 2012, date, place and time to be announced

15. Next meeting of the new Board of Directors:

Thursday, May 17, 2011, 18:00 at IMB, Oxford Street, Halifax

16. The meeting adjourned at approximately 21:00 on a motion by KO. A short social session followed with refreshments.

Note: The reports, mentioned above, not included in this document are available from the secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon A. Boyce Secretary May 17, 2010

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RSVP to the Secretary (nscs@chebucto.ca)

7:00-7:05	WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
7:05-7:15	Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting - business arising -
7:15-8:00	NSCS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Report of the President - Report of Secretary - Report of Treasurer - Report of Nominating Committee - Election of Directors & Officers
8:00-8:15	REFRESHMENT BREAK
8:15-9:00	New business - Presence on Facebook - Criteria for membership - Membership cards/certificates -
9:00	Adjournment

Join us on April 26th. Bring a colleague and become a member of the NSCS; you can obtain a membership application form from our website: http://nscs.chebucto.org/or at the meeting