SASKATCHEWAN LAND SURVEYORS' ASSOCIATION COUNCIL MEETING November 28, 2023, 9:00 AM via Teams 2023/24 Meeting #7 MINUTES

The following members of Council were present:

T.G. (Travis) Wolfe, President

H.M. (Heather) Bennett, Past President

D.L. (Dan) Codling, Vice President

T. (Terry) Alm, Public Member

Deanne Carins, Executive Director

Ben Clipperton (year one) P.A. (Patrick) Skea (year one) B.J. (Brad) Luey (year two)

Stephen Conway (year two)

Absent: none

Action items are indicated by colour for Council and Office

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Brad Luey, Seconded by Ben Clipperton that the Agenda be adopted as presented. CARRIED

2. Adoption of the previous minutes

Moved by Stephen Conway, Seconded by Patrick Skea that the previous minutes be adopted as presented. CARRIED

3. President's Report

Travis was in Manitoba for their AGM Nov 7 – 10. Manitoba does not have a large association, they are budgeting for 55 members this year. Roughly 35 members attended the AGM in Winnipeg. Education seminars were good - Mark Sampson presented with an insurance update, they had a seminar about the reference system modernization. The business meeting itself did go quickly. Darren Patkau provided an update on PCS activities.

Travis also sat in on a special meeting that took place in British Columbia where they were taking a second vote to move bylaw creation away from the members and put that ability in the hands of council. For background, at British Columbia's 2023 AGM this motion was voted down and after great discussion, it was narrowly voted down again at the special meeting. The turnout for the meeting was very high. Professional governance of self regulated professionals is changing in British Columbia and it is Travis' opinion, based on the meeting, some members are still holding onto a feeling that Land Surveyors are different.

Preliminary regulations pertaining to The Miscellaneous Statues (Accretion) Amendment Act have been sent to the SLSA for comment. The SLSA is meeting with government next week to discuss the regulations. Dan Cook is looking to get comment from Dr. Brian Ballantyne in preparation for the meeting.

4. Executive Director's Report

Fall education seminar – very good feedback and specifically about Dr. Brian Ballantyne's presentation. 49 members attended. (66 last year and 71 the previous year). We have not received our invoice from the hotel yet. Received an email from Bill Robertson (ED for PSC), notifying us we will get an advanced copy of the salary survey for review. Some provinces are not participating in the survey. BC and Alberta, with their position as a regulator they don't feel it is appropriate to participate. \$2,597 is coming to the association from the Young Canada Workers grant regarding staff working at the museum this summer.

5. SLSIT Request for Approval – Swikar Bashyal

Moved by Heather Bennett, Seconded by Patrick Skea that Swikar Bashyal's Form O be approved as presented. CARRIED

6. Matters arising from previous meetings

a. Public Member - Update

The SLSA office sent a letter to the minister pushing them to move the process along. The same day we sent the letter we received notice from government that one of the perspective members had removed themselves from the process which shows the process is moving, although very slowly.

b. Field notes preservation and retired member fees

The Bylaw Committee has started discussions on this matter but it does not look promising that the Bylaw Committee will have anything to present to member for the AGM.

- 7. A Closed Session was held (including an in-camera session), which is not included in these minutes.
- 8. Next Meeting: Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 9:00 AM
- **9.** Meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.