

131st Report of the
ELDON HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting held in person on Wednesday December 13, 2023 commencing at 4:30 p.m.

Present: Directors: M. Donachie, L. Henderson, B. McClure, D. Millar, B. Duncan, J. O'Neil, D. Fleming, D. Luthra. Support: R. Armitstead, City of London, and Eldon House staff led by T. Wittman.

Guests: We were happy to welcome volunteers, past Board member M. Spencer Golovchenko and others to the Board meeting and social event.

Regrets: M. Halliday

Board Meeting

1. Approval of the Agenda

D. Millar proposed and D. Luthra seconded

That the agenda **BE APPROVED**

CARRIED

2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest - none

3. Approval of 130th Report of the Eldon House Board of Directors

B. McClure proposed and D. Luthra seconded

That the 130th Report of the Eldon House Board **BE APPROVED**

CARRIED

4. M. Donachie - Chair's Remarks, expressing thanks to all for another eventful year, and mentioning several people:

- Vice Chair Rebecca Griesmeyer, who left the Board in 2023
- Welcome to Bryan McClure, appointed by City Council in her place
- Don Millar, now Vice Chair, Joe O'Neil as Marketing Committee Chair and Devinder Luthra as Special Events Committee Chair

5. T. Wittmann - Overview of Staff and Finance Reports

There was discussion around the multi-year budget, and several Board members expressed enthusiasm for contacting members of City Council to support Eldon House's budget ask. Tara Wittman undertook to provide some talking points for everyone by email.

J. O'Neil proposed and D. Fleming seconded

That the Staff Reports **BE RECEIVED**

CARRIED

6. **Committee Reports**

A motion formalized the appointments of J O'Neil and D. Luthra as Chairs of the Marketing and Special Events committees respectively.

D. Millar proposed and D. Fleming seconded

That the Chairs **BE APPOINTED**

CARRIED

There were no committee reports.

The Chair recognized guest and former Board member M. Spencer Golovchenko, who spoke about the work of the Strategy & Innovation Committee, which she chairs, and of a relaunch of the committee in the new year.

7. **Board Contact Information Update**

A sheet with preferred contact details was passed around Board members.

NEW BUSINESS

L. Henderson asked if we could have all Board meetings in person. D. Luthra suggested starting in the new year. With consensus from all present, the Board will customarily meet in person starting in January.

ADJOURNMENT

D. Luthra vote to adjourn

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday January 17, 2023, in person