

# MANITOBA HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

## 123rd Annual General Meeting

January 30, 2021

Virtual Meeting via Google Meet

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### Welcome

Hugh Skinner, MHA President, introduced himself, and welcomed everyone to the 123rd Annual General Meeting of the Manitoba Horticultural Association.

**Call to Order** at 1:05 pm

### Introductions

Hugh introduced MHA Board members:

Area 2	Hugh Skinner, President
Area 6	Linda Wall, Vice President
Area 3	Brent Hunter, Director
Area 5	Linda Brown, Director
Area 8	Lorene Schipper, Director
Secretary/Treasurer - Tracy Theriault	

### 122nd AGM Minutes

Moved by Sophia Munro and seconded by Linda Rudachek, “that the minutes of the 122nd Annual General Meeting held November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019, in Stonewall, MB be approved as circulated. Carried

### “Assiniboine Community College Horticulture Programs”

Presented by Sajjad A. Rao, PhD. PAg., CAE, School of Business, Agriculture and Environment, Assiniboine Community College. The presentation was very well received and there were many good questions for Sajjad from the members. The members wanted to know more and were encouraged to contact Sajjad with their questions that we did not get to.

### Financial Statement

The audited financial statement of the Manitoba Horticultural Association for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020 was presented by Linda Wall.

Moved by Jim Tomko and seconded by Linda Rudachek “that the Financial Statement for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020 be accepted as presented”.

Carried

### **The 2020/2021 Proposed Budget**

Linda Wall presented the budget for the period October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021

Moved by Tannis Brown and seconded by Linda Dietrick “that the 2020/2021 Budget for the Manitoba Horticultural Association be accepted as presented”.

Carried

### **Appointment of Auditor**

Herb Wildeman has been performing the audit on the MHA’s financial statements and their books and records for many years. Herb is a retired CGA. We thanked him for performing the audit in such a tight timeframe this year.

Moved by Noreen Kolesar and seconded by Susan Finlay “that we appoint Mr. Herb Wildeman to audit the financial records of the Manitoba Horticultural Association for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021”.

Carried

### **Committee Reports**

Hugh Skinner advised that all committee reports will be printed in the MHA 2020 Annual Reports book which will be distributed in 2021.

### **Nominations** - Linda Brown, Nominations Facilitator

Linda advised that in accordance with the Manitoba Horticultural Association constitution, nominations for regional Directors had been requested from all member horticultural societies and garden clubs, although several societies/clubs did not submit a nomination.

Linda presented the list of nominees elected by the clubs/societies to serve as Directors of the Manitoba Horticultural Association for 2021

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Hugh Skinner	Area 2	- Virden
Brent Hunter	Area 3	- Beautiful Plains, Minnedosa, Newdale
Linda Brown	Area 5	- Brandon, Killarney, Hartney, Westman
Linda Wall	Area 6	- Carman, Charleswood, St. James, South Interlake, Morden
Lorene Schipper	Area 8	- Agassiz, Selkirk & Dist., Transcona, West Kildonan

Moved by Linda Dietrick and seconded by Tannis Brown “that the elected nominees to serve as Directors of the Manitoba Horticultural Association be ratified as presented”.

**Stevenson Memorial** - the committee will hold a virtual meeting in the next year to discuss possible recipients for the award.

### **Bids for the 124th MHA AGM**

There were no bids to hold the 124<sup>th</sup> AGM and Convention

### **New Business**

Brent Hunter “Tech Talk”. He spoke on what he has learned over the past year, and that he was the last person he ever thought would get a Smartphone and learn how to use it. He now attends virtual meetings, texts, reads email all on his Smartphone.

Discussion occurred on having a Blended AGM, virtual and in-person, and then discussed the convention part which would not be blended, should be in-person only due to having a cost attached to it.

Hugh thanked everyone for attending

### **Adjournment**

Presentations

**Perennial Flowers for Manitoba Gardens** by Hugh Skinner

**MHA Photo Contest Presentation**