



# ACPA 2023 Annual General Meeting

## Meeting Agenda

May 17, 2023

**Present:**

**Board of Directors:**

**Shane Harnish, President**  
**Trina Innes, Director**  
**Brenna Brown, Director**  
**Peter Kusalik, Director**  
**Jian Fu Deng, Director**  
**George Collins, Director**  
**William Lee, Director**

**Linda Sahli, Executive Director**  
**Atosa Kavousian, Director**  
**Patrick Kalita, President Elect**  
**Lenn Liwanag, Director**  
**Shiva Zohrehvand, Treasurer**  
**Sean Stewart, Past President**  
**Mark Poirier, Director**

**Absent: Maurice Shevalier -Registrar**

**Attendees:**

Adina Laperle  
Amanda McLean  
Amelia Nechka  
Andrew Jones  
Ashish Pradhan  
Barb Petrunic  
Barry Bennett  
Biji Sreejith  
Bonnie Leung  
Brad Gimbel  
Brian Tsang  
Brook Bell  
Charles Uquak  
Cherryl Comahig  
Chris Sadek  
Christian Potolicki  
Cindy Slupsky  
Clint Lovell  
Courtney Olsen  
Darren Crichton  
Dave Schwass  
Dean Barisow  
Dean Parson  
Don White  
Edahlia McNeil  
Emy Chan  
Hamida Jaffer  
Ian Rubinstein  
Ishpinder Kailey  
Jaclyn Repchuk

Jenelle Lamothe  
Jesse Meints  
Joanne McCallum  
John Crabtree  
Katherine Sorsdahl  
Kathy Janzen  
Ken Schmidt  
Kenneth Yap  
Ketankumar Rana  
Matthew Kowalchuk  
Mike Gao (Zhi Mike Gao)  
Muhammad Azhar Iqbal  
Myra Sumague  
Neil Berezowski  
Nick Lechowicz  
Olutayo Ogunwemimo  
Paolo Bomben  
Patrick Kalita  
Paul Kabiru  
Rachid Tahir  
Raymond Abry  
Raymond Lee  
Sajjad Hosseini  
Sarah Dougherty  
Scott Allen  
Shahid Malik  
Stan J. Backs  
Thomas Schmidt

## MINUTES

No.	Item	Action
1.0	<b>Call to Order</b>	
	Linda Sahli, Executive Director called the meeting to order.  Introductions of guests and the board of directors occurred.	
2.0	<b>Approval of the Meeting Minutes</b>	
	<b>Minutes from the 2022 Annual General Meeting</b>  Patrick Kalita was in attendance and should be amended in minutes. <b>Motion</b> to accept the 2022 annual general meeting minutes as amended.  <b>Moved:</b> Brook Bell <b>Second:</b> Nick Lechowicz	<b>CARRIED</b>
3.0	<b>Treasurer's Report – Shiva Zohrehvand</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of the balance sheet as of December 31, 2022.</li> <li>- Review of the Budget vs. Actual as of December 31, 2022.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Net deficit of \$(9733.03) covered with savings.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Review of the breakdown of the income for 2022.</li> <li>- Review of expenses for 2022.</li> <li>- Review of Financial Statement as of March 31, 2022.</li> <li>- Review of the 2023 budget.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Income budget of \$163,375.00</li> <li>o Expense budget of \$161,479.81</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <b>Motion</b> to approve the 2022 financial statements as presented. <b>Moved:</b> Abry Raymond <b>Second:</b> Sarah Dougherty	<b>CARRIED</b>
4.0	<b>Registrar's Report – Linda A Sahli</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Linda reported that ACPA currently has 477 total members, consisting of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 393 P.Chem Members</li> <li>o 32 CIT Members</li> <li>o 52 Non-Practicing Members</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Membership numbers have remained consistent over the past several years.</li> <li>- Linda welcomed all new members</li> </ul> <b>Motion</b> to approve the Registrar's report as presented. <b>Moved:</b> Muhammad Azhar Iqbal <b>Second:</b> Cindy Slupsky	<b>CARRIED</b>
5.0	<b>Election of Directors</b>	
	The following members were elected by acclamation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brenna Brown</li> <li>• George Collins</li> <li>• William Lee</li> <li>• Seyed Sajjad Hosseini</li> </ul>	
6.0	<b>President's Report – Shane Harnish</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Streamlining Professional Legislation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <b>Bill 23:</b> There will be an Umbrella Act for the 22 professional organizations under Alberta Labour and Immigration. This includes one act, one set of regulations, and individualized schedules.</li> <li>o Bill was not passed before writ was dropped.</li> <li>o Expected ACPA actions are to develop new bylaws to align with the Act and Regulations in 2023/2024</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

- **Labour Mobility Act** came into effect April 6, 2023: which applies to “labour mobility applicants.”
- Must acknowledge application within 10 days and make a decision within 20 days.
- We will update the website as the registration process is required.
- **The Fair Registration Practices Act** is meant to ensure the assessment process is fair, impartial, and objective.
- We are required to report on a yearly basis. More record keeping is required.
- **Increase in Professional Dues**
  - There will be small increase in annual dues for P.Chem members from \$295.00 to \$325.00 to offset anticipated legal and training expenses for the new legislation.
  - Dues for CIT members and Non-Practicing members to remain the same.
  - Increase is required to help offset costs.
- **Post COVID**
  - Looking forward to more in person events, socials, and seminars
- **FCPC** (Federation of Canada’s Professional Chemists)
  - General meeting April 13, 2023
  - Issues proposal to license Ethics course from ACPA to FCPC still in discussion,
  - Working with them to create more of a national unity and synergy.
  - Follow them on LinkedIn or website, social media platforms.

Committee Activities:

**Technical Seminar Committee**

Several Seminars hosted from May 2022- May 2023

- An Assessment of Industry SO<sub>2</sub> Emission Reduction Effort Using Artificial Intelligence
- State-of-the-Art IN Additive Manufacturing of Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites and Current Challenges for End-Use Application
- The Use of AI Models in Decision Making
- Practical guide to our Next Generation of CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Sorbents
- Photovoltaics based on Organic Dyes for Indoor Light Harvesting

**Governance Committee**

- ACPA governance manual completed.
- New board of directors manual
- New board member orientation
- Executive member manual

**Marketing and Student Liaison Committee**

- Post-COVID socials
- Social media
- Raised awareness of Chemistry as a profession
- Communication and engagement strategy

**Practice Review Committee**

- Key activity is audit of professional development credits currently 2022/23 underway.
- Report to Alberta Labour

**Awards Committee**

- Frank Bachelor Award
- Undergraduate Scholarship
- Arthur Bollo-Kamara Graduate Scholarship
- Judges and presenters for science awards.

**Registration Committee**



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review applications</li> <li>○ Review process to ensure we meet legislative requirements.</li> </ul> <p><b>Legislative Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Review Bill 23</li> <li>○ Has currently flagged what needs to be amended within our bylaws and will amend once Bill 23 has passed.</li> </ul>	
<b>7.0</b>	<p><b>Scholarships and Awards</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Undergraduate Scholarship in Chemistry: Sarah Greidanus</li> <li>- Frank Bachelor Award: Patrick Kamau</li> </ul>	
<b>8.0</b>	<p><b>Incoming President – Patrick Kalita</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Patrick re- introduced himself and provided us with a positive outlook in the world of Chemistry.</li> <li>- Looking forward to moving into the President role for the upcoming year.</li> </ul>	
<b>9.0</b>	<p><b>Adjournment</b></p> <p><b>Motion</b> to adjourn the meeting.  <b>Moved:</b> Patrick Kalita <b>Second:</b> Clint Lovell</p>	<b>ADJOURNED</b>

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