



Approved Minutes
Landscape of Grand Pré Inc. Board Meeting
9:00 a.m. September 26, 2024
Via Zoom

In attendance:

Géraldine Arsenault
Neil Boucher
Beverly Boyd
Cally Jordan
Emily Lutz
Lara Morris
Beverly Palmetter - (Chair)
Cyrilda Poirier

Others:

Claude DeGrâce, Executive Director (ED)

1. Welcome, verify quorum, call to order

Beverly Palmetter, (Chair) of Landscape of Grand Pré Inc. (LGPI), welcomed the attendees and called the virtual Board of Directors (Board) meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. having a quorum for the meeting.

2. Introduction of new director

As the Board was welcoming Lara Morris as a new director, the Chair invited everyone to introduce themselves.

3. Review and approval of the agenda

1. Welcome, verify quorum, call to order (5 min)
2. Introduction of new director (5 min)
3. Approval of the agenda (5 min)
4. Appointment of officers (15 min)
5. Appointment of directors on standing committees of the Board (15 min)
6. Appointment of bank signing officers (10 min)
7. ***Meeting with the Board of the Grand Pré & Area Community Association***

8. Set the dates for the next Board meetings (5 min)
9. Adjournment

It was requested and agreed that a new agenda item be added at number 7 (in bold and italics).

MOTION: To approve the agenda as amended.

Moved by Cyrilda Poirier, seconded by Beverly Boyd

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.001**

4. Appointment of officers

The Chair noted that the Board needed to appoint five officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Executive Director).

The Chair asked the ED to chair the appointment of the office of Chair.

a) Appointment of Chair

The ED asked three times for nominations for the office of Chair of the Board.

Cyrilda Poirier nominated Beverly Palmeter

Beverly Palmeter nominated Beverly Boyd

Cally Jordan indicated that she had informed the Board that she would stand for Chair if there were no nominee. She indicated that her order of preference would be the office of Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Chair. Beverly Boyd indicated that she was not ready at this time to take on the office of Chair.

MOTION: That nominations cease for the office of Chair of the Board.

Moved by Cyrilda Poirier, seconded by Beverly Boyd

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.002**

Beverly Palmeter was declared Chair of the Board for a term of one year.

Beverly Palmeter resumed chairing the meeting.

b) Appointment of Vice-Chair

The Chair requested three times for nominations for the office of Vice-Chair.

Géraldine Arsenault moved that Beverly Boyd be appointed as Vice-Chair, seconded by Cyrilda Poirier.

It was noted that it had been the practice for the Grand Pré & Area Community Association to have a director on the Executive Committee. The Chair noted this was not a requirement in writing although it had been with the predecessor organization and that LGPI had always had an executive director nominee from the community association.

Cally Jordan noted that her preference would be to stand for Vice-Chair but that she also supported the inclusion of more recent directors on the Executive. For that reason, Cally Jordan withdrew her expression of interest in the office of Vice-Chair and expressed support for the appointment of Beverly Boyd.

MOTION: That nominations cease for the office of Vice-Chair of the Board.

Moved by Cyrilda Poirier, seconded by Emily Lutz

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.003**

Beverly Boyd was declared Vice-Chair of the Board for a term of one year.

c) Appointment of Secretary

The Chair requested three times for nominations for the office of Secretary.

The Chair indicated that Géraldine Arsenault had accepted to serve for another term as Secretary.

MOTION: That nominations cease for the office of Secretary.

Moved by Cyrilda Poirier, seconded by Emily Lutz

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.004**

Géraldine Arsenault was declared Secretary of the Board for a term of one year.

d) Appointment of Treasurer

The Chair requested three times for nominations for the office of Treasurer.

Emily Lutz moved that Cally Jordan be appointed as Treasurer, seconded by Cyrilda Poirier.

MOTION: That nominations cease for the office of Treasurer.

Moved by Neil Boucher, seconded by Emily Lutz

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.005**

Cally Jordan was declared Treasurer of the Board for a term of one year.

e) Appointment of the Executive Director as an officer of the Board

MOTION: To appoint the Executive Director as an officer of the Board for a term of one year.
Moved by Cyrilda Poirier, seconded by Cally Jordan
Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.006**

Claude DeGrâce was declared an officer to the Board for a term of one year.

5. Appointment of directors on standing committees of the Board

The Board reviewed the membership requirements for the various standing committees.

a) Education and Marketing Committee

After serving on the Educating and Marketing Committee (EMC) for five years, Beverly Boyd is looking forward to the office of Vice-Chair and continuing to serve on the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).

It was suggested that the ED reach out to the CSAP and to the Glooscap First Nation to seek interest in the membership to this committee. It was noted that a new Grand Pré community member may be a good fit for this committee at a later date.

b) Finance and Audit Committee

It was noted that the terms of reference for this committee were in the process of being reviewed by the Governance and Nominating Committee.

The Chair asked three times for expressions of interest in becoming a member of this committee.

It was noted that Emily Lutz had expressed interest in continuing to chair this committee. Cyrilda Poirier expressed interest to continue as a member and Lara Morris expressed interest in joining the committee.

MOTION: To appoint Emily Lutz as chair and Lara Morris and Cyrilda Poirier as members of the Finance and Audit Committee for terms of one year.
Moved by Beverly Boyd, seconded by Neil Boucher
Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.007**

c) Governance and Nominating Committee

The Chair asked three times for expressions of interest in becoming a member of this committee. It was noted that the Chair of the Board is a member of this committee and Cally Jordan expressed her interest in remaining as chair of this committee. It was noted that the GNC had been working over the last year in reviewing the policies, terms of reference for standing committees and by-laws. While the emphasis has been on governance, it is expected that this will change once a package of revised and new policies have been submitted to the Board for approval.

MOTION: To appoint Cally Jordan as chair and, with their agreement, Géraldine Arsenault and Emily Lutz as members of the Governance and Nominating Committee for terms of one year.

Moved by Neil Boucher, seconded by Cyrilda Poirier

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.008**

d) Technical Advisory Committee

The Chair asked three times for expressions of interest in chairing this committee.

MOTION: To appoint Beverly Boyd as chair of the Technical Advisory Committee for a term of one year.

Moved by Cally Jordan, seconded by Neil Boucher

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.009**

6. Appointment of bank signing officers

MOTION: To appoint Cally Jordan, Beverly Palmetter, Cyrilda Poirier and Claude DeGrâce as bank signing officers for a term of one year.

Moved by Neil Boucher, seconded by Beverly Boyd

Motion carried; **Resolution 24BOD.September.26.010**

7. Meeting with the Board of the Grand Pré & Area Community Association

In order to address the concerns of the Grand Pré & Area Community Association as expressed through numerous emails and comments at the recent Annual Meeting of Members, it is recommended that the Board invite the Board of Directors of the Grand Pré & Area Community Association for an in-person meeting

The Board suggested that a letter be sent to the President of the GPACA requesting a meeting and leave it up to them to determine the date that would work best. It was suggested that November 18 and 19 would be potential dates for this meeting.

It was suggested that this meeting take place before the ED and consultant engage with the local community regarding the review of LGPI's strategic plan.

8. Set the dates for the next Board meetings

It was suggested that the ED seek the directors' availability for an in-person meeting of the Board in November.

9. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Géraldine Arsenault
Secretary

Resolution 24BOD.December.04.004