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AGM BCAH Meeting – November 20, 2021,

10:05 Marie opening remarks

1. It was determined that there is a quorum for the meeting – of 55 members, 32 members are present: see list of attendees below (listed in alphabetical order by first name after the 5 board members).
2. The agenda was approved as written – Lora Roy asked that there be a discussion before the votes which was agreed upon but did not need to be added to the agenda.
3. The minutes from the last AGM was approved with minor changes. Lynn Mackay moved to accept the minutes, Marie Lamey seconded and the minutes were approved by a majority of members.
4. There was no unfinished business from the last meeting.
5. The Financial Report was shared by Christy Zettl (treasurer) among the members. Marie Lamey moved to accept the financial statement, seconded by Lucy De Pieri, and the report was approved by a majority of the members.
6. Marie Lamey read out the purpose of the BCAH - to represent and promote the profession of homeopathy etc. Marie updated the membership about what the activities of the BCAH over the past year. 1. Some BCAH board members attended a media training to help manage disinformation in the media about homeopathy; 2. Discussion with Health Canada about the labeling of homeopathic medicines; 3. HANS (Health Action Network Society) and its campaign 4 Homeopathy Canada (4HC) has had some challenges financially this year and the membership was asked to support 4HC; 4. A research project about vaccine damage and the benefits of homeopathy was shared with the members and the members are asked to participate where possible; 5. The National Homeopathy Conference was cancelled but a hybrid conference is scheduled next year in Toronto; 6. The Canadian Coalition is now officially formed comprising of a number of homeopathy stakeholders including the BCAH with a purpose to create a strong and unified voice in homeopathy; 7. CBC Marketplace episode on homeopathy in pharmacies aired last night and Marie Lamey shared some of the actions that are being taken; 9. In coordination with the BC Animal Owner's Association, Andrea shared a report of activities over the last year: it's been over 4 years discussing with the Ministry

of Agriculture and the Veterinary Association and how a proposed integrative college would run. 10. Marie Lamey gave an update about the regulatory changes proposed by the BC government regarding health professions in our province and Nicole Duelli introduced the formation of a Committee for Advancing Homeopathy as a Profession. Marie Lamey shared the terms of reference documents for the committee.

7. Directors elections: each presidential candidate spoke
 - a. Sonya McLeod – in sum, more of a desire to include joy in the BCAH, we are weaker because we are splitting apart, join homeopaths from both BC associations together and have more of an equal opportunity for members with the ability to sit in on board meetings and the committees since the board is secretive, not be dictated by a government that is leaning towards fascism and work towards starting a school. Christy Zettl made a comment that we have a certain structure that we need to follow as a board and it's not about fighting fascism in government.
 - b. Marie Lamey – in sum, wanted to correct some of the comments, for instance the application for regulation was made once before, the committee was originally a regulatory research committee but this was changed, and a plan to include more community. A school is not the mandate of the BCAH, although we can provide support.
 - c. Cynthia Shepard, as a previous member of the association, mentioned the possibility of changing the mandate of the organization; she also said the importance of discussion should not be skipped over too quickly
 - d. Sharokh Khaze suggested that a different discussion be set up to see how they see this profession moving forward – the ultimate goal is the well-being of humanity, a paradigm shift.
 - e. Karina Budhrani – we need to share what homeopathy is with people, as many people don't know what homeopathy is. How do we take our practice online and make it work, establishing a community, reaching out to members who are not here today.
 - f. Anke Zimmerman– a president should not go for more than two terms, the grass roots elements are important and more continuing education opportunities.
 - g. Roland Guenther – since there is so much division in our society right now, it's not about the election result today, but rather, it's more important to integrate and have a conversation among our members.

8. Lora Roy and Cynthia Shepard suggested that we move the voting to another day because of the importance of the discussion and a lot of time was taken in administration details. Christy Zettl and Pat Deacon suggested we take a vote instead of moving the vote and organize some monthly meetings since many people are present today. Pat put a motion forward and Marie seconded - the decision was made to vote today instead of moving the vote to another week where some people may not be able to attend. Pat Deacon also suggested that the Chair be different from the president. 19 in favour of voting – 9 not in favour – 3 members were not able to vote due to their standing.

9. Voting for the position of president - Sonya McLeod has 10 votes and Marie Lamey has 12 votes – so Marie Lamey continues on as president.
 - a. Voting between Lynn Mackay and Anke Zimmerman for position of vice president – Anke Zimmerman has 7 votes; Lynn Mackay has 13 votes.
 - b. Nomination for Karina Budhrani is running as membership secretary – no other nominations –20 votes were counted in favour of Karina. 4 votes were not counted due to the status of the members.
 - c. Heather Schofield has joined the board but she needs to be voted in as Director at Large - 21 votes in favour of Heather Schofield – 4 votes were not counted due to the status of the members.
 - d. Christy Zettl and Nicole Duelli are continuing their 2 year term as treasurer and secretary respectively.

10. Unfinished business - Marie made a motion to postpone the vote on the increase in the number of CEUs from 6 to 12 - this was agreed by a majority of members. 20 votes – 3 votes were not counted due to the status of the members.

Final remarks – to continue these conversations – continue and grow our community. The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 pm.

Members present:

1. Marie Lamey
2. Sonya McLeod
3. Lynn Mackay
4. Christy Zettl
5. Nicole Duelli
6. Heather Schofield
7. Allison Douglas-Tourner
8. Andrea Ring
9. Anke Zimmerman
10. Christa Armstrong,
11. Coleen Davis-Stanton
12. Cynthia Shepard
13. Fran Atae
14. Karina Budhrani
15. Kim Boutilier
16. Lora Roy
17. Louise Fridman,
18. Lucy De Pieri
19. Marilee Roome,
20. Srinivasulu Vuppala
21. Ming Dinh
22. Monaliz Caissie – Left before the vote

23. Nathalie Allen
24. Pat Deacon
25. Pat Walker
26. Roland Guenther
27. Sharokh Khaze
28. Shauna Kovach
29. Susan Forbes
30. Suzanne Sutherland
31. Terri Otway
32. Zahoor Hussain