



**ENDING VIOLENCE ASSOCIATION OF BC  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
MINUTES  
November 15, 2024  
12:00 pm – 12:45 pm**

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**Present (virtual on Zoom):** See attached list (Appendix 1)  
**Recorder:** Samantha Loppie – EVA BC Board Member

**1. Call to Order**

Ending Violence Association of BC's (EVA BC's) Annual General Meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Lynnell Halikowski at 12:05 pm after it was confirmed we had quorum. This virtual AGM was rescheduled from September 25, 2024, due to quorum not being reached. A link to the AGM Package was provided in the Chat and participants were instructed to physically raise their hand to vote if on video or use Zoom's Raise Hand icon.

19 core members and 6 EVA BC staff were in attendance. From the 19 core members, 17 were eligible to vote.

**2. Land Acknowledgment and Opening Remarks**

A welcome and territory acknowledgement was done by Lynnell Halikowski, who highlighted the importance of wellness in the sector of anti-violence. The agenda was reviewed. Sheri Bishop (EVA BC Board Co-Chair) offered her opening remarks.

**3. Approval of minutes from Last Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

***Motion: To approve the minutes of AGM held on September 19, 2023.***

Moved by: Lynnell Halikowski

Seconded by: Samantha Loppie

All in favour.

None opposed.

**Motion carried.**

**4. Audited Financial Statements**

Deanna Sudnik (EVA BC Board Treasurer) reviewed the audited financials for the 2023–2024 fiscal year, highlighting that EVA BC is in a strong financial position with diverse funding streams, strong accounting, and audit support.

***Motion: To approve the Audited Financial Statements dated March 31, 2024.***

Moved by: Deanna Sudnik

Seconded by: Micki Materi

All in favour.

None opposed.

**Motion carried.**

**5. Appointment of the Auditor**

***Motion: To appoint Clearline CPA as Auditor for the 2024–2025 fiscal year.***

Moved by: Deanna Sudnik

Seconded by: Lynnell Halikowski

All in favour.

None opposed.

**Motion carried.**

**6. Executive Director's Report**

Ninu King presented a report outlining the activities and successes of the 2023–2024 fiscal year, highlighting the four key strategic priorities of EVA BC and the focus on enhancing services, organizational capacity, staff wellness, and improved social policy. Ninu offered thanks to the EVA BC staff, board, donors/partners, and membership for their ongoing support.

***Motion: To approve the Executive Director's report as presented by Ninu Kang.***

Moved by: Sheri Bishop

Seconded by: Janet Carmichael

All in favour.

None opposed.

**Motion carried.**

**7. Board Elections**

EVA BC's board is comprised of 11 regions. Each region is designated one seat. We also have one floating seat and one additional seat in order for us to address diverse needs of our board composition. Board members are elected for a two-year term.

Regions 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and the floating seat were available for election. Victoria Runge was appointed during last fiscal year in Region 8 and needed to be officially elected. We also had one new application in Region 7 that was approved for nomination. Nomination packages, including an application form to apply for vacant board seats, were sent to core members prior to the AGM.

The following members put their names forward:

REGION	CANDIDATES
2 – South Vancouver Island	Samantha Loppie (re-election)
7 – East Kootenay	Katie Chave
8 – West Kootenay	Victoria Runge
10 – North Central	Lynnell Halikowski (re-election)
Floating Seat	Deanna Sudnik (re-election)

The above candidates introduced themselves. Voting was done by raising hands on Zoom.

The above candidates received over 75% of the votes and were elected to the Board of Directors for the next two years.

***Motion: To approve all five nominations to EVA BC's board.***

Moved by: Sheri Bishop

Seconded by: Lukhvinder Aujla

All in favour.

None opposed.

**Motion carried.**

## **8. Closing Remarks**

On behalf of the EVA BC Board of Directors, Lynnell Halikowski provided the closing remarks.

## **9. Adjournment**

***Motion: To adjourn the 2024 Annual General Meeting.***

Moved by: Deanna Sudnik

Seconded by: Janet Carmichael

All in favour.

None opposed.

**Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

## APPENDIX 1

### **Attendees**

Lukhvinder	Aujla	Region 3 - Lower Mainland	Archway community services
Neil	Star	Region 4 - Fraser Valley	Archway Community Services
Micki	Materi	Region 6 - Okanagan	Archway Society for Domestic Peace
Melissa	Scott	Region 1 - North Vancouver Island	Comox Valley Family Servies
Heather	Ney	Region 1 - North Vancouver Island	Comox Valley Transition Society
Cheryl	Melder	Region 3 - Lower Mainland	Family Services of Greater Vancouver
Mila	Malagon	Region 1 - North Vancouver Island	Fireweed Collective Society
Sheri	Bishop	Region 5 - Interior	Nicola Valley Community Human Services Association
Lynnell	Halikowski	Region 10 - North Central	Prince George Sexual Assault Centre
Jana	MacMaster	Region 11 - North East	Robson Valley Community Services Society
Gay-Lynn	Farkas	Region 1 - North Vancouver Island	Sources Oceanside Resource Centre
Jordana	Velho	Region 9 - North West	Tamitik Status of Women Association
Dr. Harjit	Kaur	Region 3 - Lower Mainland	Vancouver and Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services Society
Samantha	Loppie	Region 2 - South Vancouver Island	Victoria Sexual Assault Centre
Janet	Carmichael	Region 1 - North Vancouver Island	North Island Survivors' Healing Society (The)
Alycia	Weir	Region 7 - East Kootenay	Golden Women's Resource Centre

Victoria	Runge	Region 8 - West Kootenays	BWC
Angela	Willmott	Region 11 - North East	South Peace Community Resources Society
Deanna	Sudnik	Region 11 - North East	South Peace Community Resources Society

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