

# BONSOR 55+ SOCIETY

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD AT 6550 Bonsor Avenue, Burnaby, BC

February 28, 2025

10:00 AM

Call to order at 10:00am

Verbal Acknowledgement Statement:

*“Before we start, I would like to take a moment to recognize we are on the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmi̓n̓əm̓ and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, and to extend appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on this shared territory.”*

Pronunciation: - “han-ka-mi-nem,” “skwo-mesh”

### 1. Opening Remarks

- My name is Ernie Kashima, and as President, I welcome you to the Annual General Meeting of the Bonsor 55+ Society.
- PLEASE NOTE THAT THE AGM PACKAGE, the TREASURER’S REPORT and MINUTES of the 2024 AGM have been available for the required time on the Bonsor 55+ Society website and in the interest of brevity all reports except for the Treasurers Report, will not be read at this meeting

## **2. Introduction of Special Guests**

- Cindy Calancie      Manager Recreation Services & City of Burnaby  
   Seniors Liaison
- Allison Sanderson   Northwest Complex Supervisor & City of  
   Burnaby Seniors Liaison

### **Introduction of Staff**

- Vince Kwong      Bonsor Complex Supervisor
- Toni Bajan      Bonsor Centre Supervisor 2
- Kelli Tibbles      55+ Centre Supervisor
- Chelsea Pereira      Recreation Leader 2 Bonsor 55+
- Jaclyn Divito      Recreation Leader Bonsor 55+
- Ravneet Bath      Recreation Leader 2 Bonsor 55+

### **Introduction of Board of Directors**

- Ernie Kashima      President
- Brian Pound      Vice-President
- Eugene Hamel      Treasurer
- Louise Kowalenko      Secretary
- Mary Horton
- Pat Couch
- Brenda Felker
- Albert Lam
- Elizabeth Revoczi
- Margaret Li

## **3. Thank-you to Volunteers**

Ernie thanked all the Societies volunteers for their time and efforts on behalf of their groups. He also encouraged all members to thank the Group Leaders and volunteers who run their programs, without whom the programs would not exist.

#### 4. Approval of the Agenda

Could I have a motion to approve the 2025 Agenda available in the booklet?

**MOTION:** by George Kawaguchi to approve the 2025 Agenda available in the booklet. **Seconded** by Angela Mai. **Motion carried.**

#### 5. Approval of Minutes from the last AGM

Could I have a motion to approve the February 23, 2024, minutes available under separate cover?

**MOTION:** by Angela Mai to approve the February 23, 2024, AGM Minutes. **Seconded** by Walter Wun. **Motion carried.**

#### 6. Approval of Reports

Reports will not be read out for brevity. The AGM package was made available to all members prior to today's AGM.

Could I have a motion to adopt the 2025 President's Report?

**MOTION:** by Cleo Wah to approve the 2025 President's Report available in the booklet. **Seconded** by Walter Wun. **Motion carried.**

Could I have a motion to adopt the 2025 Centre Supervisor's Report?

**MOTION:** by Angela Mai to approve the 2025 Centre Supervisor's Report available in the booklet. **Seconded** by George Kawaguchi. **Motion carried.**

Could I have a motion to adopt the Group Reports?

**MOTION:** by Robert Lockhart to approve the 2025 Group Reports available in the booklet. **Seconded** by Angela Mai. **Motion carried.**

Questions or comments on reports?

A question was raised asking for more information regarding the upcoming allocation of Group time allocation.

The City of Burnaby has updated its allocation policy with the goal of providing equitable access to Recreation for all residents. In the coming months, we will be reviewing space usage and collaborating with members to create more balanced and diverse offerings. Allocation surveys will be sent out shortly to group leaders for feedback.

## 7. Approval of Treasurers Report

Eugene Hamel to read Treasurers Report

Could I have a motion to adopt the Treasurer's Report?

**MOTION:** by Ernie Kashima to approve the Treasurer's Reports available in the booklet. **Seconded** by Angela Mai. **Motion carried.**

## 8. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

- **Announce:** Nominations & Election of 2025 Board of Directors. These will be your Bonsor 55+ Society Representatives.

**Announce: A Board Director is not permitted to hold any position on a Group Executive as this is deemed to be a conflict of interest.**

- The following people are presently on the Board and will be staying on to complete their second year.
  - Albert Lam
  - Pat Couch
  - Louise Kowalenko
  - Elizabeth Revoczi
  - Mary Horton
  - Margret Li
- The following people have been nominated for re-election
  - Ernie Kashima
  - Brian Pound

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- Brenda Felker
- Eugene Hamel

The following Members have been nominated to run for the 2025/2026 term:

- Agnes Lee
- Gerry Gao
- Karman Lau
- Walter Wun

### **Results of Election**

- Since there are more Board member spots than nominees, the nominees have been appointed by acclamation

### **Introduction of the 2025/2026 Board of Directors**

- Ernie Kashima      President
- Brian Pound      Vice-President
- Eugene Hamel      Treasurer
- Louise Kowalenko      Secretary
- Mary Horton
- Pat Couch
- Brenda Felker
- Albert Lam
- Elizabeth Revoczi
- Margaret Li
- Agnes Lee
- Gerry Guo
- Karmen Lau
- Walter Wun

## **9. Announcements**

Board members will meet directly after the AGM to elect officers of the Society.

## 10. Adjournment

**MOTION:** by Claire to adjourn the 2025 Annual General Meeting.

**Seconded** by Lily Chew. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:37 am.

*Ernie Kashima*

ERNIE KASHIMA, President

*Louise Kowalenko*

LOUISE KOWALENKO, Secretary

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