

Camrose Regional Exhibition  
Annual General Meeting  
January 8, 2020

Present

Tom Chelmick	Megan Lethbridge	Vanessa Sheppard	Kendyle Carson
Chuck Erman	Al Rostad	Steve Hansen	Mark Schneider
Lori Schneider	Don Simpson	Brent Byers	Sandy Scott
Barry Ness	Kaitlyn Schneider	Erin Smyl	James Cardiff
Malcolm Scott	Jennifer Lenherr	Aiden Cloke	Lou Henderson
Morris Henderson	Dave Sheets	Ken McTavish	Kevin Hycha
Cindy Trautman	Norris Sheppard	Steve Cowan	Norm Mayer
Ronda Shott	Alex Wancho	Emma Hudec	

Call to Order

President Mark Schneider called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM  
President Mark Schneider established that a quorum had been reached.

Approval of the Agenda

Kevin Hycha moved, and Dave Sheets seconded that the agenda be approved as presented. Carried

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Brent Byers moved, and Cindy Trautman seconded that the minutes from the previous annual meeting be approved as presented. Carried.

President's Address

President Mark Schneider opened his address by highlighting on the visioning work that had happened in April of 2019. Mark noted that through this work, the direction became clear: focus on the future while staying sustainable. Many challenges came forward with this. Although decisions were tough and emotional at times, the move towards future growth was needed. Mark stated that the Board had to make some tough decisions and he thanked the board directors for their work and time spent in discussing concerns. Mark stated he wished to recognize and thank retiring directors Steve Cowan, Scott Berkholtz, Kim Wildeman and Ken Hildebrandt for their time and commitment to the board. Thankyou were extended to the Camrose County and City of Camrose for their partnership and support. Mark thanked the membership for their caring and continued support of this great organization. He also thanked Dianne and her team for taking the vision and moving into a strategic plan that will help the organization grow and succeed.

Mark stated that the task at hand is not to react with emotion but to move forward with action. He stated we need to be proactive to direct our future forward. We are now moving forward together as one team and he encouraged all members to be part of this exciting time.

### Executive Director's Address

Executive Director, Dianne Kohler stated that in 2019, the CRE took a deep look at itself. She thanked the board of directors for their support of this and her team for all their work in making things happen. She restated that this was a deep analytical time for the CRE and the visioning that occurred in April of 2019 was critical. At the roots, the CRE is an agricultural society so in the changes ahead, expect to see more Agricultural events. Rodeo is coming back in March as a partner. The goal is to look towards profitability to alleviate future financial risk to the organization. The calendar is getting booked with many different events every month which is very positive. She feels she has a great team moving forward and is excited about the move towards this new vision.

### Approval of Annual Report

Vanessa Sheppard moved, and James Cardiff seconded that the annual report be approved as presented. Carried.

### Financial Report

Beth Kushnerick from Grant Thornton presented the financial report for the year ending September 30, 2019. Also, present were David Sheets and Dianne Kohler.

Beth informed the membership that the report given was a review engagement, not an audit. Financial statements were reviewed, and discussion opened. Inventory, Panhandle, BVJ, and volunteers were topics brought forward and discussed.

Brent Byers moved, and Kaitlyn Schneider seconded that the 2019 year-end financial report be approved as presented. Carried.

### Unfinished Business

No unfinished business to report.

### Appointment of Accounting Firm

Norris Sheppard moved, and Barry Ness seconded that the CRE appoint Grant Thornton as the accounting firm for 2019/2020. Carried.

### Election of Directors

Mark Schneider noted that as stated in the bylaws, the current list of candidates needs to be nominated openly at a general meeting. Mark Schneider then asked for a motion to this effective.

Brent Byers moved, and Vanessa Sheppard seconded that the current list of candidates be nominated for election to the office of Director. Carried.

Mark Schneider called three times for nominations from the floor. No nominations from the floor.

David Sheets moved, and Morris Henderson seconded that nominations cease. Carried. As there were no other candidates presented, Sandy Scott appointed to the board by acclamation.

### Other Business

Mark Schneider asked if there was any other business from the membership.

Don Simpson inquired as to what was happening with the Mayfield Land. Mark Schneider responded to the question. At present, nothing new is happening with the land. There has been some interest in the property, but nothing has progressed beyond that. Mark stated that the board will keep the membership updated of any changes in the current situation.

### Adjournment

Cindy Trautman moved, and Alex Wancho seconded that the annual meeting be adjourned. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

