



**General “Special” Meeting 1432 Kingsway, Vancouver
Jul 14, 2014, 7:00-7:30pm**

In attendance (in person):

WildResearch Board of Directors:

Paul Levesque (President), Christine Rock (Vice President), Jay Brogan (Director at Large), Catherine Jardine (Director at Large), Sarah Nathan (Director at Large).

WildResearch Members:

Michael Arbeider, Kimberly Gilbert, Pablo Jost, Leslie Bol, Renae Machias, Eugene Sit, Alex Dalton, Jeremiah Kennedy, Julian Heavyside, Courtney Lahue, Kevin Neill, Kala Harris, B.M Coiz, Stephen Partington, Ildiko Szabo, Virginia Noble.

In attendance (remotely via Skype):

Emily McAuley (Treasurer).

1. Welcome and Introductions

- The meeting was called to order at 19:10

Paul Levesque:

- Over a year ago Kala Harris put together application to the Canadian Revenue Agency for WildResearch to receive charitable status.
- The two main benefits of obtaining charitable status for the organization is that donations to WildResearch will be tax deductible and we will be able to apply to funding pools that only accept applications from registered charities.
- The CRA had requested that we make some small changes to the WildResearch Constitution to become eligible for charitable status. Ratifying these changes is the purpose of this meeting.
- Thank you to all for coming as you are legitimizing the changes to the Constitution and helping us in taking a big step forward for WildResearch.

2. Adoption of Agenda

No additions to the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda and commence the 2014 WildResearch General “Special” Meeting.

Moved by: Michel Arbeider

Seconded by: Pablo Jost

Decision: motion carried unanimously

3. Consider a resolution to replace Article 2 of the Constitution of WildResearch in its entirety with:



2) *The purposes of the Society are:*

a) To protect the environment for the benefit of the public by conserving flora and fauna in British Columbia through related monitoring, research, training, and awareness programs.

b) To advance education by providing the public with training in environmental conservation, including bird banding and identification workshops, bird and butterfly monitoring and surveys, ecological restoration, and guided field trips; and by providing biologists with technical skills training in writing field-specific resumes and grant proposals, and administering projects.

c) To undertake activities ancillary and incidental to the attainment of the above charitable purposes.

Motion to accept these changes as read and outlined on the document dated July 14 2014 WildResearch Extraordinary General meeting Agenda.

Moved by: Ildiko Szabo

Seconded by: Kala Harris

*Decision: **motion carried unanimously***

4. Consider a resolution to –add Article 3 to the Constitution of WildResearch, an alterable Dissolution Clause:

Upon the dissolution of the Society and after payments of all debts and liabilities, its remaining property shall be distributed or disposed of to charities registered under the Income Tax Act (Canada) (this Dissolution Clause is Alterable).

Motion to accept these changes as read and outlined on the document dated July 14 2014 WildResearch General “Special” Meeting Agenda.

Moved by: Kim Gilbert

Seconded by: Jeremiah Kennedy

*Decision: **motion carried unanimously***

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the 2014 WildResearch General “Special” Meeting.

Moved by: Pablo Jost

Seconded by: Kevin Neill

*Decision: **motion carried unanimously***