



***The Alberni Valley
Community Foundation***

23rd Annual General Meeting

held at

**Alberni Athletic Hall
Port Alberni, B.C.**

at 7:00 p.m.

on Thursday, May 24th 2018

*Creating Lasting Benefits
For Our Community*

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THE ALBERNI VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

22ND Annual General Meeting

7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 18th, 2017 held at Alberni Athletic Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Board Members – Hugh Grist (Chair), Paul McMillen (Treasurer, Finance Committee), John Mayba (Grants Chair), Olga Tardif (Secretary)
Regrets: Gillian Trumper

Also present - Grant recipient's representatives and guests (named below).

Hugh introduced the Board Members and welcomed all the Grant Recipients and Guests. He explained the procedure and Agenda for the evening.

Agenda

Moved by John Mayba for approval of the Agenda for the 22nd Annual General.

Minutes of last Annual meeting: (May 12, 2016)

Paul McMillen moved and seconded by John Mayba to approve the minutes of the last Annual General meeting (May 12, 2016) as circulated. Carried

Report from the Chair:

Hugh reported we are once again combining our Annual General Meeting with the Grants Presentation and our fiscal year concurs with the calendar year. The Foundation has donated over \$300,000 over the years.

This is the 22nd annual general meeting of the Foundation celebrating 17 yrs of grant making. Five students received bursaries managed by the Foundation, 6 charitable societies received grants from their permanent endowment funds... plus many groups here tonight received discretionary funding last year.

I am sad to announce that Paul McMillen, Treasurer for almost 20 years, is resigning. He will be sorely missed and his commitment to the Foundation. I would like to express my sincere thanks for all your support all these years.

Hugh then presented Paul with a framed photo of Mt. Arrowsmith.

Treasurer's Report:

Paul reported we received information about two estate donations which will be received in 2017. This now brings the total number of estate related donations to four since our inception. We distributed a newsletter through the A.V. News as a follow up of our Vital Signs and received 14 new donors.

For the fiscal year 2016, the total donations were \$8,732. We continue to have the Vancouver Foundation administer the bulk of our donations in our Endowment Trust Fund. The rest of our donations we administer through PI Financial Corporation (Global Security). We hope through our annual AGM and grant giving that the word will continue to spread about the AVCF.

As the outgoing Treasurer, I would like to reflect briefly on some of the highlights during my tenure. My specific highlights were the sponsorship of a charity golf tournament, the fundraiser of the Bulldog blankets, the First Vital Signs for the Alberni Valley and meeting and working with wonderful people as directors, I will continue to always have an interest in the affairs of the A. V. Community Foundation.

John moved for the adoption of the reports.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Paul moved for the end of Annual General meeting... seconded by John. Carried.

DISTRIBUTIONS OF GRANTS

Outreach Therapy - Susan Fox explained the Hilton Children Centre received a grant last year that was used to replace old windows with double pane ones. This has been a big saving on heating of the centre.

Susan explained that young children using cell phone or other small devices are having difficulty using (holding) a pencil or cutting with a scissors. She and others are preparing Occupational Therapy kits for training Early Childhood teachers. The grant received today will help fund this project.

Bread of Life - Dawn McMillan and Minnie Hornidge thanked the Board for the grant last year which was used to purchase a new stove. 38,000 meals were prepared last year and the new stove helped immensely.

Asking for a grant this year for some renovation to upgrade the office and reception area. Thank you for your consideration. Dawn showed a diagram of the proposed improvements.

John presented a cheque to the ladies.

Community Arts Council – Janice Konkin, new president for the Arts Council, explained of some repairs (handrail & upper deck) needs to be fixed in order to continue programs. Safety for people attending events at the Rollin' Art Centre ie: the Concerts in the Gardens, Tea on the Terrace and other programs. Thank you for this grant.

John presented a grant.

A.V. Hospice Society - Gretchen Carlson explained how the floors at the Ty Watson House have deteriorated over the years. There is lots of movement of patients in beds and wheel chairs. This grant will help to repair and refinish the floors.

The grant was presented by John

P.A. Family Guidance - a project to renovate the waiting room at the Family Guidance centre.

John presented a grant in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Literacy Alberni – Graham Hughes informed us of the PALS – Book Market places around the city. Books are provided for marginal families.

John presented the grant that was given from the Field of Interest.

Back Pack – Linda Taylor and Olive O'Dwyer thanked A.V.C. F. for continued support. This program includes E.J. Dunn School by sending home food to 36 families. Breakfast and Lunch programs are also prepared by 10 volunteers. The grant received today will be used to purchase food. Thank you.

John presented the grant.

Cycle Alberni – Sarah Thomas gave a summary of the celebration stations happening on “Bike to Work Week” May 29 – June 4th. This also includes Adult Urban Bike skills course and Children's Bike Rodeo. We are also assisting with Grade 5 and 6 students teaching about cycling safety and bike maintenance.

John presented a grant In the amount of \$1,000.00

Past year Grant recipients presented brief reports on their projects.

Special Olympics – Simone Myers prepared and gave a wonderful speech of her involvement in Special Olympics and further information about this organization. Simone has been involved for 14 years in swimming, basketball and Track & Field competitions. Simone and others have been helped to improve by qualified coaches. Grant money is used for sports equipment, tournament fees. This year 38 athletics have qualified to participate in the Provincial Summer Games in July. We thank Ann Evans for helping us so much.

Healthy Harvest Farm Program – Charles Thomas explained how this program began 7 years ago. This program helps people with mental health issues by providing work and make them feel productive. Last year the grant from A.V.C.F. helped with the cost of installing an irrigation system for an acre garden. The irrigation system has helped a great deal. We have a Road Side stand across from the Co-op on Beaver Creek Road. Vegetables and fruits are available when in season. Thank you for your help.

All were invited to look at the A.V.C. F. scrap books which presents the history of the A.V.C.F.

A group picture was taken of all participants.

Refreshments were offered.

(Olga Tardif, Recording Secretary)



(Hugh Grist, Chair)

Report from the Chair for 2018

May 2018

This is the twenty third annual general meeting of the Foundation and celebrating eighteen years of grant making. Once again five deserving students received bursaries managed by the Foundation, six charitable societies received grants from their permanent endowment funds and of course there are many groups here tonight who received discretionary funding last year.

Once again we are combining our Annual General Meeting with the Grants Presentation and our fiscal year now conveniently concurs with the calendar year.

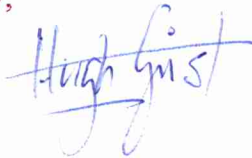
I am delighted to announce the addition of three new Board Members, David Jarrett, Ken Watson and Peggy Hartman, who has taken the position of Treasurer.

2017 was an exciting year for the Foundation as we received two large estate bequests that helped us surpass the one million dollar endowment asset value. When I first joined the Board the first million was our goal, however it has taken us longer than I anticipated and now, sadly, one million does not seem quite so significant.

2018 will I am sure be equally exciting as we plan to publish our second Vital Signs in October. Many of you will recall the 2015 publication and it will be most interesting to compare where we have improved or slipped back.

Thank you to all you wonderful people here tonight for the dedication that you provide to make this a better place to live.

Respectfully,



Hugh Grist – Board Chair

2018 Grant Applicants and Recipients

<u>Charity</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Project</u>
	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Approved</u>	
<u>2018</u>		<u>AVCF</u>	<u>Homelessness</u>	
			<u>Fund</u>	
P. A. Friendship Centre	\$ 5,000		\$ 2,000	Youth & Family Cultural Camp
Special Olympics	any donation	\$ 1,000		Gym rentals, travel expenses etc.
Bread of Life	\$ 5,000		\$ 3,000	List of office & kitchen items etc.
P.A. Orchestra & Chorus	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,200		Repairs to Yamaha piano
People in Pain Network	\$ 2,250	\$ -		Funding for support group mtgs. In P.A.
Community Arts Council	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,000		Complete re-design of Rollin Garden
A.V. Assisted Living Soc.	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,000		Funding towards a backup generator
Dunn School Backpack	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	Youth/Home food program
Bamfield Comm. School	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ -	Fridge & freezer for meal program
P.A. Marine Rescue	\$ 28,831	\$ -	\$ -	Build new boathouse
Stroke Recovery Ass'n.	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,000		Stroke recovery workshops in P.A.
Parks & Rec.	\$ 900	\$ 900		Our Town Event at McLean Mill
Trinity Church	\$ 3,500	\$ -	\$ -	
Can. Mental Health Ass'n.	\$ 2,500		\$ 1,400	Dishwasher for meal program
Hupacasath First Nation	\$ 4,800		\$ 2,000	Pump for Community Farm
Kiwanis Hilton Centre	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000		Siding renovation
	\$ 84,281	\$ 12,100	\$ 9,400	

Alberni Valley Community Foundation

Treasurer's Report

Fiscal Year

2017

2017 was a very successful year for the Alberni Valley Community Foundation (AVCF) as we received the benefit of two substantial bequests. This brings to four the number of bequests to the foundation and we are especially grateful for them.

We continue to attract new donors and hope this trend continues. Donations received in the past fiscal year totalled \$215,962.50. This consisted of:

In Kind	\$1,812.50
General	\$113,650.00
Field of Interest	\$150.00
Designated	\$100,350.00

The Board of Directors advises on the annual revenue generated by the general and field of interest donations. The revenue derived from the designated donations is directed to the various organizations as per the directions set up by the individual designated fund contracts.

We continue to have the Vancouver Foundation administer the bulk of our donations in the Endowment Trust Fund. The remainder of the donations we administer through PI Financial Corporation. Our hope is that through our AGM and grant giving that the word will continue to spread about the AVCF. We act as a legacy bank account of the Alberni Valley to improve the quality of living for present and future generations. Our funds now exceed \$1 million.

I would like to express my thanks to Paul McMillan for his many years as Treasurer for AVCF and for his unfailing (and to him I am sure it seems unending) support to me as I assumed the Treasurer position January 1, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Hartman, Treasurer

**Alberni Valley Community Foundation
Board of Directors**

Grist, Hugh (*Board Chair*)

Hartman, Peggy (*Treasurer*)

Jarrett, David

Mayba, John (*Grants Chair*)

Tardif, Olga (*Secretary*)

Trumper, Gillian

Watson, Ken

Alberni Valley Community Foundation

Brief history of the Foundation?

23rd Annual General Meeting, 18 years of grant making.

Makeup of the Board of Directors?

Board is appointed by committee made up of a cross section of the Community that includes the Mayor, the Director of North Island College, a Member of Nuw Chah Nulth Tribal Council, a Local Judge or Chair of the Bar Association and the President of the Labour Council.

Why an appointed Board?

To prevent one group introducing Board Members to gain a majority, thereby redirecting funds to their field of interest.

Why does a Foundation differ from other charities?

The money received by the Foundation is not given directly to local charities, but invested. The returns on investment are then distributed within the Valley. An analogy would be to consider Service Clubs, Medical Need Groups etc. as the chequing account, then we are the savings account. The capital remains in perpetuity.

Our current assets and how much do they generate?

Our assets are currently just over one million dollars and we have distributed in excess of \$320,000 over the last eighteen years.

To whom do we make grants?

All facets of the community, Education, Heritage and Restoration; Arts & Culture; Senior Citizens; Social Services; Children and Youth.

The Future?

We need to build up the asset base so that significant interest is generated to fulfill all the needs of this Community. We currently receive more requests for funds than we can generate, and therefore have to turn down some very worthwhile projects. We would appeal to the more fortunate citizens of the Alberni Valley to consider making bequests (and there are many ways one can do this) to the Foundation, so that we can continue to help those less fortunate within our Community.