Society of Asexuals and Aromantics of Alberta: 2nd Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2021

Date & Expected Time: 6 June 2021, 2:00 PM Mountain Daylight Time

Location: Zoom (virtual meeting)

Meeting Minutes

Present:

- Jasper Clarke
- Chris Conroy
- Sparrow Cryer
- Bailey Gorman
- Hope Loneheart
- Anzo Nguyen
- Rose Stroh
- Paul Wiebe
- Rowan Wiebe

Planned Agenda:

- 1. Sign-in
- 2. Call to order/confirmation of quorum (9)
- 3. Approval of agenda
- 4. Presidential report
- 5. Board election
- 6. Financial report
- 7. Committee Discussion
- 8. Election results/survey results
- 9. Adjourn AGM

1:55 PM: Anzo sets up the Zoom meeting

2:24 PM: Meeting starts (sign-in)

- Quorum of 9 reached; all attendees are already members
- Rowan goes over sign-in and agenda, will present the AGM (Anzo to present the financial report)
- Rose motions to approve AGM agenda; seconded by Jasper

2:26 PM: President's Report

- Attendance to online events has been down over the past year
- However, online events have allowed for greater reach to communities outside of Calgary
- SAAA will likely continue to hold online events even after the pandemic recedes, as it allows us to bring together aces/aros across Alberta

- Online community is growing, and Discord is where we are seeing the most growth
 - Much more nuanced engagement and chatting is possible on Discord than on other platforms (i.e. Facebook)
- We have now filed with the CRA and we can set our sights to be recognized as a registered charity
 - Still a long-term goal, as charity status will take at least two years
 - o Being incorporated as a society is the first step towards this and builds legitimacy
- Expansion of the group is a key goal in the near future, especially to smaller communities throughout Alberta
- No questions from the floor
- Chris motions to approve; seconded by Jasper

2:32 PM: Board Election

- Thanks to Jasper for volunteering as Chief Returning Officer and organizing safe, secure election system for this AGM
- Running for positions in advance of AGM
 - o Rowan running for President
 - o Sparrow running for Vice President
 - Bailey running for Director-at-Large
 - Chris running for Director-at-Large
- No contested positions
- Hope motions to approve election results; seconded by Rose and unanimously agreed
- Board of Directors composition (if applicable, legal names in parentheses)
 - o President: Rowan Wiebe
 - Vice President: Sparrow Cryer (Katelyn Cryer)
 - Secretary/Treasurer: vacant
 - Director-at-Large: Jasper Clarke (Brittany Clarke)
 - Director-at-Large: Chris Conroy

2:36 PM: Financial Report

- Another quiet year for finances
- Up until today, no significant income (only from bank interest)
 - Thanks to Hope for the generous donation today
- Looking forward, there will hopefully be more fundraising opportunities with in-person gatherings
- Approved by Jasper; seconded by Sparrow

2:42 PM: Committees

- A general call for volunteers to get involved in the different committees (events, outreach, fundraising)
 - Rowan is the main point of contact to get involved
- New committee proposed: the expansion committee, which can help expand the SAAA to establish itself in communities outside of Calgary

2:43 PM: Election results

• Skipped due to lack of contested positions

2:45 PM: AGM adjourned

• Motion to adjourn by Anzo, seconded by Hope