## HALIFAX NORTH WEST TRAILS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING APRIL 3, 2011 MINUTES

1. Bob McDonald, Chair, welcomed the attendees and the guest speaker, Dave Fowler, then called the meeting to order.

2. The agenda was approved. Moved by Wendy McDonald and seconded by Diana Whalen; motion passed.

3. The minutes of last year's annual meeting held on Mar. 25, 2010 were approved as read. Moved by Davena Davis and seconded by Lea Anne McLeod; motion passed.

4. Business arising. This is covered in the reports presented below.

5. Reports:

(a) **Chair's report** - Bob read his report (a copy of which is filed with the permanent copy of the Minutes.) He identified the current Board of Directors. He noted that we have made the commitment to erect a kiosk at the Canada Games Centre, and he acknowledged Councillor Debbie Hum's additional funding which made the kiosk possible. A prototype of the trails map (to be on the kiosk) is on display.

Board members (both continuing and resigning) were thanked for their time and contribution.

Pat Leader was thanked for her displays and suggestion of the key note speaker.

Diana Whalen moved the acceptance of Bob's report; Eloise Lemire seconded it. All in favour.

(b) **Treasurer's report** - Bob presented and explained the Treasurer's report (a copy of which is filed with the permanent copy of the Minutes.) He referred also to the CARP account and the plans (benches and brochures) for the CARP account.

Diana Whalen asked for information on the funding history of the kiosk which Bob explained, noting that the original price had been reduced and that Councillor Hum's funding should cover the difference between the funds in our account and the actual cost of the kiosk.

Bob moved that his report be accepted; Wendy seconded it. All in favour.

(c) **Membership report** - Shirley McIntyre reported on memberships. 30 paid membership, 81 contact people.

(d) **Nomination Report** - Bob reported the following persons for the Board in 2011-2012:

Bob McDonald	Chair
Scot Jennings	Vice-Chair
Bob McDonald	Treasurer
Davena Davis	Secretary
Wendy McDonald	Past Chair
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Directors:	
Nancy Jennings	
Patricia Leader	
Lea Anne McLeod	
Bruce Smith	

With no nominations from the floor, nominations closed.

Shirley suggested that people who wish to volunteer to lead a hike, etc. contact her.

Diana Whalen said that she would add our Association as a link to her Newsletter.

6. **New business**. There was some further discussion about our projects (the kiosk at the Canada Games Centre, benches, brochures, etc.) Bob summarized the existing position. On the subject of trails, Diana Whalen referred us to her fitness initiative (there was meeting in November 2010) and that ideas for a walking club, etc. were works-in-progress. The question of use of the Canada Games Centre arose: at the present time, 3 times a week there will be public swims at \$3.00 per entry. There is a walking track. Usage costs may be negotiated in the future.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25. Dave Fowler, a five year volunteer with Halifax Regional Search and Rescue, spoke about the Search and Rescue organization and "how not to get lost in the woods."

Respectfully submitted,

Davena Davis April 14, 2011.