



**4-H Alberta Board Special Meeting  
MINUTES  
May 8, 2023  
5:00 - 6:30 PM  
Via Zoom**

**Attendance:** Andy Pittman (chair), Christine Suominen (vice chair), Scott Bodie, Janice Wirsta, Andrea Hanson, Amanda Hardman, Simone Demers-Collins, Kathleen Linder, Nora Paulovich, Kurt Kinnear (CEO), Simone Willmann (Recording Secretary/Executive Assistant).

**Regrets:** Lyanne Alberg, Syeda Khurram

**Pledge (done before meeting)**

**1. Call to Order - Andy Pittman**

Andy Pittman called the meeting to order at 5:08pm.

**2. Welcome/ Opening Comments**

Andy Pittman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Added Agenda items 7 and 8.

**Motion** to accept the agenda as presented by Simone Demers-Collins.

Seconded by Nora Paulovich

Carried.

**4. Auditor's report follow-up – recommendation of Auditor for 2023**

Clarification of the relationship of MNP to 4-H Alberta.

The Board AGREES to recommend to the voting members at the 2023 AGM that MNP be used again for the next audit year (2023).

**5. Alternative Programming Pilot Proposal**

The Board further discussed this proposal.

Discussion of the need for a separate project on Leader Burn-Out.

**Motion** for Kurt Kinnear and team to begin a project that prioritizes looking into leader burnout and looking into potential solutions and then to bring a proposal to the Regional Gathering in the Fall, with an initial budget of \$20,000.00, made by Nora Paulovich.

Seconded by Andrea Hanson.

Carried.

Suggestion of wording and communication to be developed to be spread to the community regarding the Alternative Programming Pilot Project.  
Suggestion for program evaluations (both rural and urban) - what should a member gain from a year in the program?

Each of the Board members provided comments on the proposal.

**Motion** to allow the CEO to use non-operational funding or non-operational grant funding to pilot a 1-year introductory 4-H Pilot Program to increase accessibility and opportunities for youth in 4-H Alberta made by Janice Wirsta.

Seconded by Kathleen Linder.

Carried.

#### **6. Strategic Growth TOR for approval**

**ACTION ITEM:** Strategic Growth Committee will explore member outcomes and evaluation for the 4-H Pilot Program.

Discussion of the Strategic Growth Committee TOR.

**Motion** to accept the TOR for the Strategic Growth Committee as presented by Andrea Hanson.

Seconded by Scott Bodie.

Carried.

#### **7. Community Engagement Committee Update**

Andrea Hanson provided an update.

The Community Engagement Committee recommends supporting the 4-H Alberta Regional 4-H Leader of Excellence Awards and will request input from the Regions. (awarded to one person, per region, per year)

**Motion** that the 4-H Alberta Board of Directors sponsor two registration fees to YLEAD for two members across Alberta to attend to honour Charlene Preston's memory by Andrea Hanson.

Seconded by Nora Paulovich.

Carried.

#### **8. Reminder – Board Self-Assessment forms**

Reminder to complete these prior to the AGM.

**9. AGM update and discussion**

Update on accommodations for the AGM.

Discussion of the proxy vote question before the Board.

Board Nominees invited to attend virtually. An invite will go out this week.

**10. Next meeting – May 27<sup>th</sup> at 4-H Centre at 1:30 pm**

**11. In camera**

Simone Willmann left the meeting at 6:45pm.

Motion to go in-camera at 6:45 pm by Simone Demers-Collins  
Seconded by Amanda Hardman

Kurt Kinnear left the meeting at 7:00pm

Motion to go out of in-camera at 7:13pm by Nora Paulovich.  
Seconded by Simone Demers-Collins.

**12. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Scott Bodie.  
Seconded by Christine Suominen.

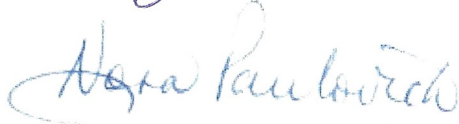
Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm.

**Minutes of the May 8th 2023 Special Board Meeting:**



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Andy Pittman-Board Chair



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Nora Paulovich-Board Secretary