

British Columbia Amateur Winemakers Association 2015 Fall General Meeting Agenda

Date: November 21, 2015

Time: 11:00 AM Vinovan

Location: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

1110 Gladwin Dr, North Vancouver

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. TOAST BY HOST CLUB
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. MINUTES
 - 4.1. BCAWA General Meeting Dated Feb 1, 2015 for adoption
- 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- 6. REPORTS
 - 6.1. President Axel Kroitzsch
 - 6.2. Treasurer John Matkovich
 - 6.3. 2016 Chief Steward Jacquelin George
 - 6.4. National Director Doug Markin
 - 6.5. Guild Master Dave Ewen
- 7. SPECIAL ORDERS
- 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - 8.1. Pending Motions
 - **8.1.1.** Motion to Change the name of BCAWA

"to amend the name British Columbia Amateur Winemakers Association to British Columbia Artisan Winemakers Association"

This motion was originally made at the BCAWA General Meeting on October 14, 2014 but voting on the motion was postponed until the February 1, 2015 General Meeting to give the Club Reps an opportunity to discuss the motion with their clubs. The motion was defeated at the February 1

meeting, but as there was some miscommunication of the results it was decided to reintroduce the motion at the AGM in May 2015. During the discussion of the motion some new information was disclosed (primarily that the name change would not have any effect on BCAWA or member clubs status with any government agency) but further discussion and voting was deferred until the Fall General meeting to again give the Club Reps sufficient time to confer with their clubs.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1. **Communications with clubs** – for discussion.

Ideas that have been suggested include:

- 9.1.1. BCAWA might host an event for all club executives and BCAWA executives. A relatively informal meeting with a short agenda objective would be to get to know each other, identify any issues and figure out how we might jointly address them.
- 9.1.2. Have individual members of the BCAWA executive routinely attend club meetings and assist the Club Reps with any BCAWA related items.
- 9.1.3. Road (Bus) Trips. Reintroduce the concept which seemed to work well a few years ago. Some clubs (e.g. Langley) continue the tradition.
- 9.2. Support for clubs for discussion

What can BCAWA do to better support the member clubs?

9.3. **Support for Educational sessions** – for discussion

Ideas that have been suggested include:

- 9.3.1. A series of relatively short mid-week evening sessions rather than all day weekend sessions,
 - 9.3.1.1. Industry (external, non-club) speakers,
 - 9.3.1.2. Include time to socialize
- 9.3.2. Wine Tasting / Appreciation sessions:
 - 9.3.2.1. Led by a panel of industry and club specialists
 - 9.3.2.2. Wines would include a combination of commercial and hand crafted product.
- 9.4. **Support for membership drives** for discussion

10. ADJOURNMENT