



BRITISH COLUMBIA AMATEUR WINEMAKERS ASSOCIATION
Minutes Annual General Meeting May 5, 2018

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| 1. Welcome to BCAWA AGM a Serve it Right Meeting and Call to Order | Mike Leeper |
| 2. Toast by Host Club - VAWA | Mike Laaheal, Vinovan |
| 3. Approval of Agenda | Moved: Cathy Markin. Passed |
| 4. Approval of May 13, 2017 AGM Minutes | Moved: Axel Kroitzsch. 2 nd Larry McIntyre Passed |

Attendees:

Executive

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| President | Mike Leeper – Vinovan |
| Vice President | John McMaster - VAWA |
| Secretary | Sharon Bierd - Saanich Sommeliers |
| Treasurer | John Matkovich - Vinovan |
| Chief Steward - 2018 Provincial Competition | Mike Leeper – Vinovan |
| Past President | Axel Kroitzsch – Langley |
| National Director | Doug Markin – Nanaimo Winemakers |
| Director at Large | Robert Martino |
| Director at Large | Jonathan Klinck |
| Guild Master | Mary Homer – Absent |

Appointed Positions:

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| Web Site | John McMaster- VAWA |
| Archivist | Robin McNeil Saanich Sommeliers Absent |

Club

Representative

	Voting	Attendee
Belcarra Wine Makers	Robert Martino	
Chilliwack Zymurgy	Jonathan Klinck	
Italvino Wine Club	Absent	
Kamloops WineMaker's Assoc.	Absent	
Langley Fermenters	Axel Kroitzsch	
Nanaimo Winemakers	Cathy Markin	
Saanich Sommeliers	Colin Nicholson	
Sunshine Coast	Absent	
VAWA	Larry McIntyre	
Vintners of Coquitlam	Mike Lesperance	
Vintners of North Van (Vinovan)	Bill Huva	Mike Laanela
Number of Voting Members	8/11	



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Welcome by the President– Mike Leeper

Welcomed everyone and mentioned the upcoming Provincial Competitions 2019 Nanaimo, 2020 Kamloops and 2021 Chilliwack. Mike thanked the Executive of BCAWA for their hard work and dedication during his tenure. He indicated that after serving as the Vice-President and President he had gained a very good insight into how BCAWA works and appreciated how some things can be done differently. He encouraged all of the Club Reps to look for potential Executive Members in their respective Clubs and to be the change that they want to see in BCAWA.

Toast by the Host: Mike Laahela, Vinovan

Approval of the Agenda:

Moved- Cathy Markin Passed

Approval of the Minutes for AGM May 13, 2017 –

Moved: Axel Kroitzsch Seconded: Larry McIntyre Passed

Treasurer's report - John Matkovich

Financial report attached at the end of the minutes.

Comments:

Expenses are tracking as per the budget.

In 2017, there were no dues collected, the Zinfandel Session was expenditure, and there were no revenues from the 2017 Nationals. As a result, there was a deficit.

Provincial Competition 2018 Chief Stewart's - Mike Leeper, Vinovan

There were 220 entries received into the competition. The medal distribution was: Gold – 18; Silver – 50; Bronze 89 for a total of 159 medals or 71% of the entries. Club Entries were as follows:

Belcarra Wine Makers	1
Chilliwack Zymurgy	24
Italvino Wine Club	7
Kamloops WineMaker's Assoc.	34
Langley Fermenters	14
Nanaimo Winemakers	27
Saanich Sommeliers	23
Sunshine Coast	12
VAWA	30
Vintners of Coquitlam	5
Vintners of North Van (Vinovan)	43

- It was great to see so many entries from the Kamloops Club.
- Thanks to the 18 judges, including 4 new grads, from the recent Guild training course, and the Wine Stewards.
- It is recommended that all wines be entered into a club competition before being entered into the Provincials.



- BCAWA Reps are asked to review the Judges' Comments Sheets with those that entered wines to help wine makers improve winemaking skills.
- There were a total of 65 tickets sold for the supper and dance.

National Director's report (AWC) - Doug Markin.

- Ivan Herbert the Secretary/Treasurer passed away..
- The 2018 Amateur Winemakers of Canada Competition will be held Saturday and Sunday August 25th & 26th 2018 in Kentville, Nova Scotia. Entry instructions and regulations will be issued at a later date. Doug & Cathy Markin along with Rick and Mary Homer will be judging.

Guild Master's Report - Mary Homer (absent) - notes read by Mike Leeper.

Comments:

The Report tabled at the March BCAWA meeting are still relevant.

Axel Kroitzsch a BC Guild of Wine Judges Educator , commented:

- Training on the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island was held and a comprehensive manual has been developed. The feedback on the course was very positive. A course is 4 weekends long and the cost to put on a course is \$300. 10 students are required. Students will learn a lot about wines and will learn a good methodology to evaluate wine.
- 4 people judged at the 2018 Provincials.
- The Personal Consistency of Judges has improved at the monthly Guild Tastings.
- There continues to be a need to train new judges to ensure there are sufficient judges for BCAWA competitions.

Old Business

Review BCAWA Classes in comparison to AWC Classes. – John Matkovich

John Matkovich (not John McMaster as previously stated) will work with Axel and Clem to review the classes by Mid-Fall prior to the Vinovan competition.

Review changes required to BCAWA under the new Societies Act

The following resolutions were put forward

Special Resolution #1: RESOLVED that effective on transition under the new Societies Act, the existing bylaws of the British Columbia Winemakers Association be repealed and the form of bylaws presented to the members at the annual general meeting be adopted as the bylaws of the British Columbia Winemakers Association.

Moved: Larry McIntyre Seconded: Axel Kroitzsch Passed: Yes – 8

Special Resolution #2: RESOLVED that the British Columbia Winemakers Association amend its constitution to become a member-funded society upon transition under the Societies Act.

Moved: Mike Lesperance Seconded: Axel Kroitzsch Passed: Yes – 8



2017 Update of BCAWA Handbook and Competition Classes – John Matkovich

Still work to be done and John will liaise with Rick Homer and Sharon Bierd.

Action Item:

Motion: BCAWA pay reasonable expenses to John Matkovich to attend Victoria and work with Rick Homer and Sharon Bierd to finalize Manual.

Moved: Colin Nicholson Seconded: Larry McIntyre Passed - Yes- 8

Potential for a new Okanagan BCAWA Club in 2018 – Mike Leeper

Comments:

No response from other clubs. Effort for new Okanagan club will be put on hold.

BCAWA Club Crush for 2018 – Larry McIntyre.

Comments:

- Larry and Clem formed a committee and selected Syrah grapes. Rob Martino will supply the grapes and orders can be made as clubs or individuals. The supply of premium grapes will be limited.
- A training session for Syrah can be delivered similar to the one prepared for Zinfandel providing there is a volunteer to organize it. The 2017 Zin session did have a component on what to do with red wine grapes like Syrah.

Transportation Logistics of Wine to Competitions – Larry McIntyre

Comments:

Clubs are encouraged to connect with other clubs to see if there are ways to take advantage of people travelling on the ferry as a way to reduce costs of transporting wine to competitions.

Visit to Kamloops by BCAWA and Guild

Members of the Kamloops Winemakers Association don't feel connected or a part to BCAWA. It will be important for BCAWA to build this relationship and provide support to this club as it is to host the 2020 Provincial Competition.

Action Item:

Motion: BCAWA should cover reasonable expenses to visit Kamloops to talk about what BCAWA and the Guild can do to support the club.

Moved: Mike Lesperance Seconded: Larry McIntyre. Passed – Yes = 8.

New Business

2019 Provincial Competition

Doug Markin will be Chief Steward and the date will be selected by the end of May 2018.



Election of Officers

President	John McMaster – VAWA (acclamation)
Vice President	Kevin Bramhoff – Chilliwack Zymurgy (acclamation)
Secretary	Sharon Bierd - Saanich Sommeliers (acclamation)
Treasurer	John Matkovich - Vinovan (acclamation)
National Director	Doug Markin – Nanaimo Winemakers
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BCAWA Executive Not Elected at BCAWA AGM

Chief Steward - 2019 Provincial Competition	Doug Markin – Nanaimo Winemakers (appointed by club)
Guild Master	Mary Homer –(elected by the Guild)
Past President	Mike Leeper - Vinovan

Appointed Positions:

Web Site	John McMaster- VAWA
Archivist	Robin McNeil Saanich Sommeliers Absent

Next meeting

Date: TBD

Location: TBD

Time: TBD

Meeting Adjourned



Treasurers Report May 5, 2018

Cash Balance as at May 1, 2017	\$ 12,475.00
Inventory May 1, 2017	\$ 2,100.00
Total Cash/Inventory May 1, 2017	\$ 14,575.00

Budget Forecast 2017/18 Fiscal Year

<u>Forecasted Revenues 2017/18</u>	Budget	Actual	Balance
Returned Funds			
Competition Medals 2017	\$ 612.50	\$ 612.50	\$ -
Total Returned Funds	\$ 612.50	\$ 612.50	\$ -
General Revenue			
Wine Magazine subscriptions	\$ 2,219.00	\$ 2,219.00	\$ -
Club dues	\$ -		\$ -
Competition Share 2017	\$ -		\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.08	\$ 3.92
Total General Revenue 2017/18	\$ 2,224.00	\$ 2,220.08	\$ 3.92
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 2,836.50	\$ 2,832.58	-\$ 3.92

Forecasted Expenses 2017/18

	Expense		Balance
Ferry/Travel	\$ 200.00	\$ 216.00	-\$ 16.00
Secretarial	\$ 100.00	\$ 54.00	\$ 46.00
Web Site Maintenance	\$ 353.33	\$ 353.33	\$ -
Wine Magazine Payment		\$ 2,219.00	
Meeting Rentals	\$ 600.00	\$ 392.42	\$ 207.58
Silver Pins		\$ 220.00	
Ribbons for extra medals		\$ 143.00	
Filing Fees (2018)	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -
AWC Entries	\$ 347.60	\$ 347.60	\$ -
Club Education program allocation	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 942.07	\$ 57.93
Miscellaneous	\$ 100.00	\$ 177.68	-\$ 77.68
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 2,725.93	\$ 5,090.10	-\$ 2,364.17

Budgeted Operating Revenue 2017/18	\$ 110.57	-\$ 2,257.52
Cash Available May 1, 2018	\$ 12,475.00	
Budgeted Cash Balance Apr 30, 2018	\$ 12,585.57	
Actual Cash Balance May 5 2018		\$ 10,217.48

MEDAL INVENTORY NOV 2017	BCAWA	Prov 2018
GOLD	5	50
SILVER	100	100
BRONZE	340	