

**Minutes from the**  
**BCPWSA Annual General Meeting – Spring 2009**

**B.C. Prader-Willi Syndrome Association**  
**Annual General Meeting - minutes**

**April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**11:00 -11:45**

**Location: Century Plaza Hotel and Spa, Vancouver, B.C.**

Chaired by: Joanne Taylor, President

**Present:** Joanne Taylor, Cheryl Gagné, Catherine Nickerson, Gerry Sillers, Margie Sillers, Violet Golding, Gina Griffiths, Monique Blomer, Yvonne Blomer, Rupert Blomer, Jeff Bumstead, Heather Beach, Trudi Jamesen, Frances Robinson, Rod Robinson, Lindy Thompson, Bev Baldwin, Carroll Baldwin, Doug Dengelman, Marc-Andre Gagné, Alan Price, Parise Yun, Leah Price, Vera Wiens, Elaine Propp, Ava Price, John Wiens, Joan Velestuk, Ray Velestuk, Glen Thomson, Cindy Thomson, Barb Wheeler, Bev Ross, Maegan Kennedy, Tamara Croft, Tara-Lyn Townsend, Terrance James, Tonia Knight, & Carla Large.

**Adults in session:**

Jason Marks, Paul Baldwin, Tyler Yun, Shea Velestuk & Dayle Sillers.

**Infants/Toddlers in session:**

Silas Bumstead, Megan Thompson, Nicole Robinson, Isabelle Gagné, Amaia Price, & Colwyn Gadd.

MINUTES:

1. Introductions
2. Fall Minutes approved by Carroll Baldwin, seconded by Vera Wiens.
3. Treasurer's Report: \$33,583.80.
  - funds in:
    - Richard Brodeur \$12,000
    - \$10,000 Teammates for kids
    - \$5000 Coaches for kids
    - various donations
    - fundraiser "The Swills"

4. Charity designation. We should be spending 80 % of money earned through charitable fundraising.
5. Summer Camp Application Forms: application forms available at meeting and on web site to members in good standing.
6. Fundraising Update:  
**Richard Brodeur Golf Tournament (invited back)**
  - date: July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009
  - donations in by July 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Pitt Meadow's Gardens
  - 10<sup>th</sup> year of the tourney
  - New Orleans theme
  - need more volunteers – contact Bev Baldwin
  - sponsorship packages (items for silent auction, wall of wine)
  - incentive:
    - if member gathers a \$50 donation item, next conference fees will be waived
  - information on web site
  - information provided on : large sponsors, smaller paperwork for silent auction items**Poinsetta Fundraiser**
  - If you are interested to take on see Joanne
7. USAPWSA Conference in Baltimore
  - motioned and moved to send at least two members to the conference (Carroll Baldwin, Parise Yun, Yvonne Blomer.)
  - Motion Passed.
  - interested members should contact the executive
8. FPWS Conference in Ontario
  - motion and moved to send at least two people to the conference (Alan Price, Margie Sillers)
  - Motion passed.
  - interested members should contact the executive
9. Motioned and moved to invite members from all other known associations and MLA to all upcoming BCPWSA conferences. (Rupert Gadd, Heather Beach)
  - Motion passed.
  - Executive will establish these contacts.
10. Motioned and moved to bring in executive member from OPWSO to present at a future meeting. (Alan Price, Leah Price)
  - Motion passed.

11. Summer gathering organization. Heather Beach & Leah Price have agreed to take on the organization of this gathering. They will look into booking a campsite.
12. Thank yous...to:
  - Heather Beach & Rupert Gadd (CPEG attendees)
  - Dr. James support, presentations
  - Leah Price - organization of parent and support gathering last night. (37 attendees)
  - Bev & Carroll Baldwin(Group home trip)

Information will be posted on the WEB site as the executive plans this upcoming conference.

October 17<sup>th</sup> 2009 – tentative date for the fall conference.

Meeting adjourned.

Motioned by Vera.

Seconded by Rupert.

Next meeting: October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Vancouver B.C.