

**2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN OF CANADA
VANCOUVER SECTION
HELD ON TUESDAY, 26 OCTOBER, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.
VIA ZOOM
21 members attending**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Linda Arato the MC for the meeting who noted the presence of a quorum (21) and declared that the meeting may proceed. Linda read a Land Acknowledgment document into the record; and introduced Debbie Wasserman, the President of National Council of Jewish Women of Canada. Debbie gave a short speech about the work of NCJWC and the connection to ICJW. She particularly recommended the address given by the Rt.Hon. Irwin Cotler, QC, OC, OQ, at NCJWC's Annual General Meeting the previous week. He focused on the dissemination of a more concerted form of anti-semitism in many ways throughout the world, warning that the need for action to combat this hateful and distorted view of Jews and Israel is needed more than ever.

Linda introduced Catherine Stoller, the President of NCJWC, Vancouver Section who welcomed all present to the AGM and read a comprehensive account of the past year's activities and the work to be done by the Board and members for the coming year (attached).

Linda thanked Catherine for her report.

Linda noted that members attending this AGM will have received a copy of the Minutes of the 2020 AGM which was circulated with the Zoom invitation.

Fran Ritch proposed a motion to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the 2020 AGM held on 15 December, 2020 and to accept the Minutes as circulated with the Zoom invitation; Seconded by Catherine Youngren. **Motion: Passed.**

Linda noted that a copy of the Unaudited financial statement to 30 April, 2021 was circulated with the Zoom invitation. She called upon the Treasurer, Jackie Krystal, to review the document and to answer any questions that may arise. The Treasurer's Report for the year ending April 2021 attached.

Anne Melul proposed a Motion to accept the unaudited financial Statements of NCJW Vancouver for the year 2020-2021. Seconded by: Rhea Lazar. **Motion: Passed.**

Linda presented the Nominating Committee report for the 2021-2022 Board as follows:

Co-Presidents: **Rochelle Garfinkel, Ellen Gordon, Chaya Rosenfeld**
Treasurer: **Jackie Krystal**
Recording Secretary: **Linda Arato**
Vice President, Social Action: **Anne Lerner**
Past President: **Catherine Stoller**

Linda Arato asked for any nominations from the floor. There were none. **Barbara Heller cast the deciding vote to declare the slate elected, and Linda Arato declared the slate duly elected.**

Jane Stoller was called upon to install the officers for the year 2021-2022. She first dismissed the previous year's Executive Board with thanks for all their work. She then installed the officers of NCJW Vancouver Section as follows:

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Jane read biographies of all the Board members, and wished them well in their endeavours.

Linda presented to the members in attendance the work of some NCJW non-voting Board members who are continuing with their efforts for our innovative and long-standing programs of which Vancouver Section is justifiably proud:

- By-Law Committee: Debby Altow, Rochelle Garfinkel, Audrey Lieberman
- Strategic Planning Committee: Catherine Youngren, Ricki Mintz
- Chair – Books for Kids: Rhea Lazar.
- Co-Chairs – Operation Dressup: Sandy Hazan, Jane Stoller, Sandy Morel Schaffer

Rhea Lazar moved that the business portion of the AGM be adjourned. Seconded by Anne Melul.

Motion Passed.

Linda thanked the members for attending this unusual AGM and for continuing to support National Council of Jewish Women, Vancouver, and its work of service in the general and Jewish communities.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda Arato

Attachments:

President's Year In Review

Minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting of NCJW Vancouver held on March 8, 2020

Unaudited Financial Statements to April 30, 2021.