

BCHPCA Board Communiqué

Date: April 27, 2015
To: All BCHPCA Members
From: M.Y.Lorraine Gerard, Executive Director
Re: BCHPCA Board of Director Positions

Dear BCHPCA Members

In the last few months there have been a few changes at BCHPCA that you need to hear about. In early February, Rev. Shelley Stickel-Miles, the BCHPCA President-Elect, resigned her position on the Board; her spouse had accepted an international teaching position and they were relocating to Japan. At the following BCHPCA Board Meeting, the Directors determined that they could manage until the AGM without the need to appoint an interim President-Elect.

The Call for Nominations for Board positions was circulated to the Membership in mid-March, with a deadline date of April 8, 2015. The positions requiring nominations included: President-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, and Regional Directors for the Interior, North, and Vancouver Coastal. There was also a call to fill a newly-identified Director-at-Large position on the Board; the need for this additional Board Member was identified as a result of the Bylaw discussions.

On April 7, 2015 the Board received a letter of resignation from the BCHPCA Board President, Donalda Carson, “effective immediately and for personal reasons.”

The remaining Executive Committee Members met and determined that we should get expert advice from Michael Blatchford, the lawyer who has been assisting the Board with the Bylaw review. Once his advice was received, the

Board met to discuss options. Two Board Members agreed to have their names go forward for consideration as President of BCHPCA. After a confidential vote,

- Meg Milner was appointed President in the interim.

At the same time, the results of the Call for Nominations were tabulated. The following positions have all been acclaimed for 2015-17:

- President-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer,
- 3 Regional-Directors: Interior, North and Vancouver Coastal

The following Board positions are in place for another year (2015-16):

- 3 Regional Directors: Fraser, Provincial Health and Vancouver Island

The Board will therefore present the following slate for ratification by the Membership at the AGM:

- President – Margaret (Meg) Milner
- President-Elect – Dr. Marylene Kyriazis
- Secretary-Treasurer –Zeen (Caine) Liu
- Past-President – vacant
- Director at Large – vacant
- Regional Directors:
 - Fraser – Judy Lett
 - Interior – Ruth Edwards
 - North – Sandi Armitage
 - Provincial – Jan Moreau
 - Vancouver Coastal –Elizabeth Beddard-Huber
 - Vancouver Island–Gretchen Hartley

Board vacancies may be filled by Board appointment in the fall.

Please watch for your official BCHPCA Annual General Meeting information package coming soon.