



Approved Minutes
AVENS- A Community for Seniors
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
September 26, 2024 at 7:00 PM
AVENS Multipurpose Room or via Zoom

Attendees:

Guests	Members	AVENS Board of Directors
Arvin Landry	Archie Stewart	Marion LaVigne
Ella Lafleur	Dick Abernathy	Debbie DeLancey
Marilyn Jordan	Patricia Jasper	Lynda Koe
Beverly Black	Edith Moore	Ron Allen
Frances Stroeder	Randy Freeman	Colleen Wellborn
Karen Willy	Sandra Fox	John Hazenberg
Felicia Benoit	Barb Weatherby	
Dean Willis		
Florence Willis	Present Online	AVENS Staff
Mickey Brown	Dwight Morley	Daryl Dolynny
Gisela Snyder	Len Hoang	Natasha Keill(recorder)
David Desorcy	Thomas Milan	Frances Marshall
Doreen Ouellette	John Soderberg	Lindsey Dwojak
Edna McFaull	Cathleen Knotsch	Sara Fullerton
Ajjie Shaw	Ann Clair Russell	Steven Nicholas
Susanne Westerhof	Lorraine Sampson	Randie Salaveria
		Catherine Travis
		Carol Norwegian
		Rick Marshall

1. **Welcome Message from AVENS Board Chair, Debbie DeLancey**
 - AVENS Chair, Debbie DeLancey, welcomed everyone to AVENS 2023-2024 Annual General Meeting and introduced AVENS stakeholders in attendance including members of the GNWT, NWT Seniors Society, and NT Housing. The Chair stated the regrets of the Minister of Health and Social Services and the Minister of Housing who were unable to be in attendance tonight.
 - The Chair took a moment to acknowledge the land we are on.

- AVENS President and CEO, Daryl Dolynny introduced himself and the AVENS employees in attendance.

2. Housekeeping Items

- The Chair ran through the agenda and motion process.
- Basic instructions provided for practices and etiquette.
- There was a re-election process this year for 4 positions on the Board of Directors with an open call to the floor later on in the agenda.

3. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. by the Chair, Debbie DeLancey.

4. Opening Prayer

The Chair introduced Mr. Arvin Landry who opened the meeting with a traditional drum prayer.

5. Approval of the Agenda

Motion #2441 - to approve the Agenda for the 2023-2024 Annual General Meeting September 26, 2024

Moved by: Sandra Fox

Seconded by: Adji Shaw

All in favor. Carried.

6. Adoption of the Minutes from October 26, 2023 (previous year's Annual General Meeting)

Motion #2442 - to approve the Minutes as amended from October 26, 2023 Annual General Meeting

Moved by: Sandra Fox

Seconded by: Pat Jasper

All in favor. Carried.

7. Welcome Message from AVENS President & CEO, Daryl Dolynny

- AVENS President and CEO, Daryl Dolynny provided a brief facility amenities overview and safety brief took a moment to welcome everyone to AVENS Annual General Meeting.
- AVENS President & CEO discussed the major highlights of the 2023-2024 year including:
 - Strong financial performance with service delivery model matching our financial stability
 - Final stages of the Pavilion project, despite the interruptions from Covid-19 and 2023 wildfire evacuation
- AVENS President & CEO also took a moment to thank the following individuals for

their continued hard work, dedication, and overall support of AVENS:

- AVENS Volunteer Board of Directors
- AVENS Staff
- AVENS Partners & Stakeholders such as GNWT, CMHC, and New Horizons

8. Committee Updates

Development Committee Report

- Development Committee Chair, Colleen Wellborn, presented a PowerPoint presentation of current progress update and overview of the plans in relation to the expansion project currently referred to as the Pavilion Project and disclosed that move ins are projected for November 2024.

9. Finance Highlights

- Sara Fullerton, AVENS Acting Director of Finance provided an overview of the Financial Statements.
- Members were provided the opportunity to ask questions – no questions were posed.

Motion #2443 - to accept the 2023-2024 Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended March 31, 2024, as presented.

Moved by: Colleen Wellborn
Seconded by: Marilyn Jordan
All in favor. Carried.

Motion #2444 – to appointment of Avery Cooper & Company as Auditor for 1 year term: 2024-2025

Moved by: Marion LaVigne
Seconded by: Pat Jasper
All in favor. Carried.

10. Election of Board Member (s)

- Ron Allen, Chair of the Nominating Committee, provided a background as to the format for the election process and reviewed membership as per AVENS Bylaws.
- As Chair of the Nominating Committee, Ron Allen presented the following list of persons, as candidates for re-election to the AVENS Board of Directors: present Board Members Debbie DeLancey, Ron Allen, Lynda Koe and Colleen Wellborn as nominees.

Daryl Dolynny, President and CEO, officiated the remainder of the election process by opening the floor to first call for nominations. Second call for nominations. Third call for nominations occurred.

Motion #2445 - to accept that nominations cease

Moved by: Pat Jasper
Seconded by: David Desorcy
All in favor. Carried

No election required. Debbie DeLancey, Ron Allen, Colleen Wellborn and Lynda Koe, candidates accepted 2-year terms. Each nominee said a few words to introduce themselves and their reasons for wanting to continue as an AVENS Board of Directors.

11. Adjournment

- Last call for questions asked

Motion #2446 – to adjourn the Annual General Meeting

Moved by: Rick Marshall
Seconded by: Ajjie Shaw
All in favor. Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Reviewed by:

Recorded by:

Debbie DeLancey
Chair
AVENS Board of Directors

Natasha Keill
Recorder
AVENS Executive Assistant