



**Minutes of the 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)  
November 30, 2020 6:00 p.m.  
Factory Media Centre, 228 James Street North  
Zoom**

Opening live coding performance by Luis Navarro.

In attendance: 39 FMC members  
Present by proxy: 4 FMC members

**1. Call to Order**

Richelle Sibolboro (Chair) declares the meeting open. She notes that it's a new format for FMC on Zoom and welcomes everyone.

**2. Ways to participate**

Harold Sikkema reviews some ways to use Zoom to give feedback, and explains how Richelle will cue our responses.

**3. Recognition of our funders, donors and staff**

Richelle thanks funders and donors. Canada Council for the Arts, Ontario Arts Council, Ontario Trillium Foundation, City of Hamilton, Incite Foundation for the Arts, Young Canada Works, and the Canada Museum Association.

Richelle thanks 2020 FMC staff: Kristina Durka (operations coordinator), Wendy Wenyan Wei (bookkeeper), John Hill (programming assistant), Vic Wojciechowska (gallery assistant, may-august), Syeda Sukaina Imam (gallery assistant, august-november)  
Elisha Matharu (co-op student)

**4. Welcome and Introductions**

Richelle introduces the current board. Outgoing: Richelle Sibolboro (co-chair), Harold Sikkema (co-secretary), Olga Kolotylo, and Continuing: David Lloyd (co-chair), Daniel Frome (co-secretary), Nicholas Gervais (treasurer), Michael DiRisio, Steve Coulson, Sean McCormack.

Richelle shares a special video intro from David Lloyd (incoming chair) via video (who is on an airplane on the way to a gig). Richelle also introduces a bio for Daniel Frome the incoming Secretary.

Richelle welcomes Anna Ruta (FMC Auditor) from Grant Thornton

**5. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Harold S, seconded by Sean M, and carried to approve the agenda for 2020.

**6. Ratification of AGM Minutes, November, 2019 (attached)**

Moved by Steve Coulson, seconded by Nicholas G and carried to ratify the minutes from the FMC 2019 AGM.

**7. Membership Renewal**

Richelle reminds members about renewing their membership. Kristina points out that renewals can happen live.

**8. Annual Reports**

Richelle shares the Chair's report.

Nicholas Gervais reads the Financial report.

Richelle gives the floor to Anna Ruta.

Anna Ruta of Grant Thornton presents audited statements for 2019/2020

GT's Qualified Opinion is that FMC is doing well financially. In summary: Cash flow is healthy due to Ontario Trillium Foundation grant. No significant risk based on assets. Due to Covid: uncertainty remains, but uncertainty is offset by the fact that our grants have been confirmed.

Moved by Harold S, seconded by Sean M and carried to approve audited financial statements. Richelle thanks Anna Ruta and Grant Thornton for their service.

Michael shares the Programming report.

Richelle shares a deck of slides showcasing visuals and text describing the year's programming.

Sean McCormack shares the Equipment Report. 2020 gear is met with enthusiasm, the 360 projector in particular is a hit with members. New Equipment is focussed on equitable access for media art. E.g. Access FMC licenses from home via apps anywhere.

Kristina Durka shares the Administrator's Report.

It is moved by Sean M, seconded by Nicholas G and carried to approve the annual reports.

**9. New Activities and Initiatives**

Already discussed during the Board Reports.

**10. Confirmation of Acts**

(confirmation of everything that the board has carried out and approved on the membership's behalf)

Moved by Sean M seconded by Steve and carried that all acts, proceeds, contracts, by-laws, appointments, elections and payments, enacted, made done, and taken by the directors and officer of the corporation since the last annual meeting of the membership as the same, are set out or referred to in resolutions of the directors, or in the financial statements submitted to and approved by the members herein be, and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

## **11. Board of Trustees – Election of new board members**

Richelle notes Board members finished their term and not returning:

1. Harold Sikkema
2. Richelle Sibolboro
3. Olga Kolotylo

Richelle notes Board members not finished their term or returning to serve another term:

1. Michael Dirisio
2. Steve Coulson
3. Nicholas Gervais
4. Daniel Frome
5. David Lloyd
6. Sean McCormack

### **Nominations to the Board of Trustees that have been received so far:**

1. Jessica Rodriguez
2. Kian Koocheki
3. Katherine Diemert
4. Minjung Hwangbo
5. John Kirk

Richelle shares the bio for each of the 5 incoming board members.

## **12. Nominations from the Floor**

Richelle requests nominations from the floor. There are none.

### **Voting Process or Acclamation**

Moved by Steve Coulson and seconded by Michael and carried to Welcome the above slate of 5 members to the FMC board.

Members welcome their new board.

## **13. Changes to By-laws**

No changes to the By Laws.

**14. Any other Business**

Highlight the Hamilton Black Film Festival (with whom FMC has been sharing office space since August). Founders are here: It's challenging to do an inaugural festival. Volunteers are encouraged to look at their board and /or share expertise.

**15. Adjournment**

Moved by Steve seconded by Sean M and carried to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.