

**Horse Trials New Brunswick – Annual General Meeting
March 25, 2007**

Members in Attendance

Donna Lee Cole	Darrel Pyke	Amanda Frenette	Lori Leach
Zoe Erickson-Meesters	Jeff Carter	Mike Gallagher	Jen Jamael
Cathy Stevens	Breanne Embleton	Sarah Boyne	Julie Thompson
Maggie Broad	Vivian DeMerchant	Morgan Frenette	Judy Hagerman
Tricia Bryden	Jess Billings	Nathalie Cecine	Pip Murphy
Lin Jackson	Sarah MacQuarrie	Dominique Williams	Elisha Hill
Julie Williams	Elaine Patton	Alex Jamael	Pam Hallihan
Carol Egers	Katherine Pelkey	Marilyn Lacey	

Also Attending

Louise Mazerall - consultant on non for-profit organizations and constitution development

1. Meeting called to order by Donna-Lee Cole at 14:00.

2. Donna Lee presented the Maritime Eventing Awards to Sarah MacQuarrie for winning the Preliminary Division in the Maritimes and to herself for winning the Training Division in the Maritimes. Nancy Marshall, from Nova Scotia, won the Preliminary Division.

3. Jen Jamael then gave the financial statement for the year. We are in the black at the moment with approximately \$4000 in the bank. We have substantial costs that have yet to come out for the upcoming year for the Omnibus, insurance and association fees. Jen also gave the membership report with a positive increase in the membership over the past 2 years, with the number of juniors being the largest increase, from 7 to 20 members. Ticket sales for the painting were down this year with some 360 tickets sold. Fund raising is still our highest association priority as we need an increase in finances if we are to continue to support the competitive venues and our newly formed Junior Rider Program.

4. Donna Lee then spoke regarding a plan to get Charitable Donation Receipts by partnering with an approved Charitable Foundation. We could have the foundation issue a Charitable Receipt to an individual or business, for a contribution of time, equipment or materials and by donating a percentage of our donation to the issuing foundation. This is being considered in light of Revenue Canada no longer allowing individual clinicians to donate their clinic fees, paid from the Canadian Eventing Budget, back to the provincial associations. Instead the clinician must donate the monies back to the national body in order to get a Charitable Receipt. The money is then put into general revenue, nationally, and distributed to the provinces by Canadian Eventing. This will decrease our revenues by some \$1600 unless we can find a way around the Revenue Canada ruling.

5. Donna Lee then explained the Equine Canada pre-ident specification list being instituted to identify up and coming riders intending to move to upper levels, i.e. preliminary and above, including those considering going on to three-day eventing. This list is being implemented this year.

6. Lori Leach described the reason Brae Fearann Farm went back to the previous method of listing all the individual costs of holding an event on the Omnibus. She wished to identify all the fees the farms are responsible for, in order to hold an event, and where the entry fee money was going. Vivian DeMerchant explained that previously HTNB had incorporated the various fees into 1 cost for an event because the entrants were becoming confused as to which fees they should include in their entry form thus adding to the confusion on competition day as someone had to go around and collect the remaining fees or return overpaid fees to the correct people.

7. Lori then explained that she and Deanna Phealen have organized a series of clinics to address the problems getting the horses ready for the season. These clinics will address the stadium portion of the jumper training as well as a session on free and line lunging the horse and farrier work and trimming to properly maintain your horse's feet. These clinics will begin in mid April and run to approximately the end of May.

8. Donna Lee has spoken to Leslie Grant regarding a LDW Clinic this summer and she has agreed to come up for a session. Details and venue are still to be worked out.

9. Marilyn Lacey is going to continue as a Technical Delegate for another 2 years and then plans to retire. HTNB has arranged for Gay Hanson to become a TD for the area and we will support her with her expenses as much as possible.

10. The 2007 rule book is now online and available to members.

11. Darrel was asked to speak about the writing of the HTNB Constitution and why the BOD considered it necessary for our organization to have one. We were initially going to get a document drafted which allowed us to become Not-For-Profit Corporation but after consulting with our legal council we were advised that we should organize as an un-incorporated group and then spend the next year, with the help of a lawyer, getting the constitution ready for incorporation as a not-for-profit incorporated group. Amanda Frenette explained the differences in the various corporate structures and why we would be, or would not be, eligible to be formed as one particular corporation or another.

12. Louise McSheffrey, who is the Human Resources/Finance Manager at Connect NB Branche, had helped us draft and refine the constitution. She was asked to speak regarding the final document and the changes which were done in order to bring us somewhat in line with similar constitution documents in other provinces. Louise explained that for a constitution to be valid, each article from the draft constitution, needed to be read into the minutes of the AGM and voted upon by the members. The changes that were suggested by Louise, Amanda and Darrel would at that time be voted upon and approved or not approved which would be noted in the minutes. When the minutes of the AGM were published the constitution would become an official document and would then be the guiding document which HTNB would use to direct its' affairs in the future.

13. Louise then began to read the individual articles. At the end of each article the contents were explained and discussed as necessary. Changes to the individual articles were proposed and discussed. Each change was accepted as written or modified as necessary and then voted on by the membership present. Louise agreed that she would write up the changes and forward them to the Secretary for inclusion in the minutes since the writing out of the changes at this time would significantly delay the AGM proceedings. The articles and the changes and the resulting vote, on each article, are presented at the end of these minutes.

14. Darrel moved that we accept the constitution as read, with the agreed to amendments, Lori Leach seconded the motion. The motion was put to a vote and the agreement was unanimous by those members in attendance.

15. The ticket was drawn for the painting from the fund raising and the winner was Donna Lee Cole.

16. The nomination for Directors at large was then initiated.

- Sarah MacQuarrie was nominated by Donna Lee Cole, seconded by Darrel Pyke
- Judy Hagarman was nominated by Donna Lee Cole, seconded by Lori Leach
- Jen Jameal was nominated by Donna Lee Cole, seconded by Marilyn Lacey
- Donna Lee Cole was nominated by Darrel Pyke, seconded by Lynn Jackson
- Amanda Frenette was nominated by Jen Jameal, seconded by Marilyn Lacey
- Pam Hallihan was nominated by Jen Jameal, seconded by Vivian DeMerchant

The request was made for additional nominations 3 times and no additional nominations were forthcoming from the floor.

Darrel moved that the nominations now be closed, which was seconded by Marilyn Lacey. This motion was accepted by the membership and the nominees agreed to accept the positions which would be assigned at the first Board of Directors meeting which would be held immediately after the AGM.

17. Lori Leach moved that the meeting be adjourned at 16:33. The motion was seconded by Vivian DeMerchant and the meeting was adjourned by Donna Lee Cole.

Reading, Discussion, Modification and Voting Result of the Proposed HTNB Constitution

Preamble

Whereas, Horse Trials New Brunswick is an organization established to promote and foster the

equestrian sport of Horse Trials and Eventing in the Province of New Brunswick in conjunction

with the New Brunswick Equestrian Association Inc. and shall work towards the goals of Canada

Eventing and Equine Canada.

Now therefore, Horse Trials New Brunswick does hereby repeal all previously drafted

constitutions and by-laws of Horse Trials New Brunswick hereinbefore made.

No vote was required for the preamble and it was accepted as read by the membership.

Article 1 - Definitions

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In this document, the following definitions apply:

"Annual General Meeting" means a meeting of all members of the organization called pursuant to these by-laws.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the organization elected pursuant to these by-laws.

"Executive" means the Executive of the organization elected pursuant to these by-laws.

"Member" means a person who has paid the membership fee, if applicable, or who falls with the membership classes, pursuant to these by-laws.

"Member in Good Standing" is a member who has paid their dues by the due date.

"Organization" means Horse Trials New Brunswick organization (HTNB)

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read. The article was passed as read.

Article 2 - Name of the Organization

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Section 1 - Name of the Organization

The name of this organization shall be HORSE TRIALS NEW BRUNSWICK hereinafter referred to as HTNB.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 3 - Head Office of Horse Trials New Brunswick

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Section 1 - Head Office of the Organization

The Head Office of HTNB shall typically be situated at the address of the current President, or his/her designate from year to year as the case may be in the Province of New Brunswick.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 4 - Nature of the Organization

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Section 1 - Nature of the Organization

The purpose of HTNB shall be to:

a) foster, stimulate, and promote interest, participation and enjoyment in the equestrian sport

of Horse Trials and Three Day Eventing, consisting of the combined disciplines of Dressage, cross country riding and stadium jumping;

b) to encourage individuals to obtain membership in the organization of HTNB and in

Canada Eventing and to encourage HTNB members to join and maintain membership in

the Provincial and National Equestrian Sports Bodies;

c) to promote safe and ethical horsemanship at all skill levels.

d) HTNB is directly affiliated with Canada Eventing and with Equine Canada and shall

follow the rules and regulations set out by these bodies to govern the equine sports in

Canada. HTNB also works in conjunction with the New Brunswick Equestrian Association which is the provincial association representing Equine Canada in the province of New Brunswick.

Section 2 - Not-for-Profit Organization

HTNB can:

a) accept, receive, and take by device, bequest or gift and to hold, possess and enjoy, for the

objects of HTNB, donations, gifts, grants, devises and bequests of real and personal

property of all kinds and upon such terms and conditions and upon such trusts as the donor or donors of any such property may prescribe.

b) provide further that if for any reason the operations of HTNB are terminated or are wound up, or are dissolved and there remains, at that time, after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall be paid to some other charitable organization in Canada, having objectives similar to those of HTNB.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read. The article was passed as read.

Article 5 - Membership

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Section 1 - Classes of Membership

a) Senior Membership - Those persons who have reached their eighteenth birthday prior to

January 1st of the current competitive year. Such members shall be entitled to one (1) vote

per person at any HTNB annual or special meeting and may participate in all programs.

b) Junior Membership - Those persons who have not reached their eighteenth birthday

before January 1st of the current competitive year. Such members shall receive the same

benefits as individual senior members with the exception of not having the

right to vote at

Annual General Meetings or Special General Meetings of HTNB.

c) Family Membership - 1 or 2 adults and any children who have not yet reached the age of

18 years at the start of the current calendar year who are cohabiting. Each adult in the

family shall be entitled to one (1) vote at any HTNB Annual General Meeting or Special

General Meeting and all members of this class may participate in all programs.

d) Honorary Membership - Person who, at the discretion of the Board of Directors has

made a substantial contribution to HTNB and as such shall be elected to this position by

the Board of Directors. They shall be required to pay no dues and shall be appointed for

life as a member of HTNB. Such members shall be entitled to one (1) vote per person at

any HTNB Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

e) Non-Competitive Supporting Member - Any person who themselves are not a competitor

or who does not represent a family membership shall be entitled to join HTNB. They shall receive all literature and notices but shall not be entitled to any vote at any meeting

of HTNB.

f) Membership Application - shall be presented on a form prescribed by HTNB and made

available to the membership by mail or on line at the HTNB website.

This article was read to the assembled membership and much discussion then issued regarding the various classes of membership and the power that should be invested in each class of membership. Classes a), c) and e) were agreed to as read.

Class d) was discussed for a few minutes since it was felt that a large number of honorary members could in theory direct the membership in a direction the general membership would not wish to go. It was agreed that an Honorary Member should be one that had a great deal of experience in eventing and eventing organizations in particular and that the power, to appoint Honorary Members, would be used with discretion and only done with full approval of the Board of Directors.

Class b) was then discussed at length since the intent of the original class of membership was as follows:

a) Junior Membership - Those persons who have not reached their eighteenth birthday before January 1st of the current competitive year. Such members shall receive the same benefits as individual senior members with the exception of not having the right to vote at Annual General Meetings or Special General Meetings of HTNB.

There issued much discussion from this article since it was felt by numerous members, promoted by Louis, that Junior Members should have a right to vote since they held a specific class of membership recognized by the constitution and should not be held powerless. It was suggested that the article be changed to one similar to the Province of Alberta where Juniors have the same rights as a Senior Member, with the exception of the following:

a Junior Member cannot be elected as a director;

a Junior Member cannot vote on amendments to the by-laws and/or constitution;

a Junior Member cannot vote on any money matters

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that we would adopt similar wording to the above with the 3 noted exceptions and that a Junior Advisor Position be opened on the Board of Directors so the Junior Membership could have a voice in the operation of the association.

Louise agreed to amend Article 5 to include voting rights for Junior Members with the above noted exceptions.

The above article was put to motion and passed with the above agreed to amendments.

Article 6 - Termination of Membership

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Section 1 - Termination

Any member failing to pay his dues or other indebtedness to the organization by the dates specified by the Board of payment shall be deemed to have been suspended from membership until payment is made. If, at the end of 90 days' suspension, payment has still not been made, the membership shall terminate without further action by the Board.

Section 2 - Resignation

A member may resign by notifying the Secretary of the organization in writing.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read. The article was passed as read.

Article 7 - Dues

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Section 1 - Dues

Each member shall pay such fees or dues as such times as are prescribed from time to time by resolution adopted by the membership at a general meeting.

a) Dues shall be due on or before the 1st day of January of each calendar year.

b) Dues shall be paid to HTNB on or before the 31st day of March of the current calendar year. Anyone registering for a membership renewal after this date will be required, in addition to the annual dues, submit a late fee. The amount of late fee required will be set from time to time by a resolution of the Board of Directors.

c) Dues shall be paid by new members at any time during the current calendar year without the requirement to submit a late fee.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 8 - Board of Directors

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Section 1 - Composition

The business, property and affairs of HTNB shall be managed by a Board of Directors which shall consist of the Immediate Past President, the Officers of HTNB and seven (7) Directors all of whom shall be members of HTNB.

Section 2 - Qualifications of a Director

Individuals may stand for office as Directors with the following provisions:

- a) only one family member serving on the Board at any one time;
- b) have had some involvement with the organization;
- c) all Directors must be current members, in good standing, in HTNB and shall be eighteen
(18) or more years of age.

Section 3 - Nomination and Appointments

a) Nominations for Directors are to be forwarded in writing to the Secretary of HTNB,

accompanied by the nominee's written consent, three (3) weeks in advance of the date set

for the Annual General Meeting. Nominations must be signed by one member of the

organization and be on the approved Nomination Form.

b) Nominations for Directors shall be accepted from the floor at the Annual General

Meeting, providing the nominee is present and verbally assents or a written assent signed

by the nominee is provided at the time of the nomination from the floor. Nominations

from the floor must have two seconders.

c) One Director may be appointed by the Directors of HTNB, from each of the horse trial

competitive venues in the Province of New Brunswick in order to represent the interests

of the venue at meetings of the Board of Directors.

Section 4 - Term of Office

a) A Director shall hold office for a term of 2 years, or until their successors are elected or

appointed and shall be eligible for re-election for up to 5 terms.

b) Two-year positions shall be staggered in order to provide continuity.

Section 5 - Election of Officers

a) Immediately following the elections at the Annual General Meeting, the officers of HTNB

shall be elected by the Board of Directors from those individuals elected as Directors. b) Nominations for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be accepted providing the nominee verbally assents to the nomination.

c) Voting shall be done by secret ballot.

Section 6 - Vacancies

The office of Director shall be vacated:

a) if a Director shall resign his/her office by delivering a written resignation to the

Secretary;

b) if at a special meeting of Directors called for that purpose a resolution is passed by threequarters

of those present, which must represent at least a quorum of the Board of Directors, at the meeting that he/she be removed from office;

c) upon death of the Director;

d) if an order is made declaring him to be a mentally incompetent person or incapable of

managing his affairs.

Section 7 - Powers

Provided that nothing herein contained shall permit HTNB to carry on any trade, industry or

business for the personal benefit of any proprietor, member, shareholder, trustee or settler of HTNB and HTNB shall be carried on without purpose of gain to any of the members and that any surplus or any accretions of HTNB shall be solely for the purpose of HTNB and the promotion of its objects.

a) The Board of Directors shall have the power to establish rules and

regulations consistent

with these By-Laws to govern HTNB organization, procedure and conduct.

b) The Directors of the Association shall exercise all such powers of HTNB as are consistent

with the objectives of HTNB and shall have powers to authorize expenditures on behalf of

HTNB, and may delegate by resolution to an Officer or Director of HTNB to enlist, or

employ and pay salaries requisite to enable HTNB to receive grants, donations, benefits, and

establish trusts for the purposes of furthering the objectives of HTNB and to borrow needed

sums of money in the name of HTNB.

c) The Board may establish committees, appoint the Committee Chairman, and define the duties.

d) The Board shall have the power to fill any casual vacancy in its numbers by appointing a

person from amongst those qualified and such appointee shall be a Director for the unexpired

portion of the term of the member whose position on the board is being filled.

e) The Board may from time to time hire or discharge a manager and such other employees,

as it deems necessary and define the terms of any such employment.

f) The Board may delegate its powers, or any of them, to the Executive as it deems necessary

or desirable.

g) The Board may by a unanimous vote of all its members, other than a Director to whom

this clause may apply, dismiss any Director who without good reason has failed to fulfil his

duties and obligations as a Director of the organization in particular one who has:

i) failed to attend three consecutive meetings of the Board;

ii) performed acts or made statement discreditable to a fellow Director or to the

organization;

iii) declined activity in any of the organization's affairs other than mere attendance at

meetings of the Board.

h) Directors, as such, shall not receive any remuneration for their services but may in proper

cases be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred on behalf of HTNB.

i) Provided that nothing herein contained shall permit HTNB to carry on any trade, industry

or business for the personal benefit of any proprietor, member, shareholder, trustee or

settler of HTNB and HTNB shall be carried on without purpose of gain to any of the

members and that any surplus or any accretions of HTNB shall be solely for the purpose

of HTNB and the promotion of its objects.

j) The Offices of Vice President and Secretary may be combined and allocated to one

person who will perform the duties outlined above. A Vice President/Secretary will be

appointed by the Board of Directors in the event that the current Vice President is called

upon to perform the role of President at any time.

Section 8 - Meetings

a) Notice of Meetings - The President shall call meetings of the Board of Directors at any time and place, to be determined by the Directors, provided that seven (7) days notice of such

meetings shall be sent in writing, or by email, to each Director. No formal notice shall be

necessary for a meeting of Directors immediately following an Annual General Meeting of

HTNB nor for any other meeting if all the Directors are present at the meeting and waive

notice thereof by way of motion.

b) Quorum of Directors Meetings - One-half of the members of the current Board of Directors plus one (+1) shall constitute a quorum.

Section 9 - Officers

The Officers of HTNB shall be made up of the following positions:

a) President - The President shall be the chief executive officer of HTNB and shall preside at all meetings of HTNB and the Board of Directors. The President shall have the responsibility for the general and active management of the business of HTNB and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him/her by vote of the members of the Board of Directors. The President shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board of Directors are carried into effect and he/she shall sign all by-laws and other documents requiring the signature of the officers of HTNB. The President shall also reserve the right to exercise the tie-breaking vote in any event.

b) Vice President - The Vice President shall be vested with all the powers and shall perform

all the duties of the President in the absence or disability or refusal to act of the President and

shall have such other powers and duties, if any, as may from time to time be assigned to

him/her by vote of the members of the Board of Directors.

c) Secretary - The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the

members and act as Clerk thereof and record all votes and minutes of all proceedings in the

books kept for that purpose. He/she shall give or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of

the members and of the Board of Directors and shall keep or cause to be kept all books and

records required to be kept by the Association. He/she shall perform such duties as may be

prescribed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors or by the President.

The books and records, kept by the secretary for HTNB, may be inspected by any member at

any reasonable time at the registered office of HTNB.

d) Treasurer - The Treasurer shall be responsible for establishing and

maintaining a system of books, records and management practices to provide reasonable assurance that:

- a) reliable financial information is produced at all times.
- b) the assets of HTNB are safeguarded and controlled.
- c) the transactions of HTNB are in accordance with the relevant regulations, bylaws, and other authorities of HTNB.
- d) the resources of HTNB are managed efficiently and effectively.
- e) the registry of members is kept up to date.

The Treasurer shall have custody of the funds of HTNB and keep full and accurate accounts

of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to HTNB and shall deposit all money and

other securities in the name and to the credit of HTNB in such depositories as may be

designated by the Board of Directors from time to time. The Treasurer shall disburse the

funds of HTNB upon the direction of the Board of Directors and its duly constituted

committees. The Treasurer shall take proper vouchers for such disbursements and shall

render to the President and the Board of Directors at regular meetings of the Board, or

whenever the President or Board of Directors may require it, an account of the finances of

HTNB and shall exhibit upon request the Treasurer books and accounts. Upon retirement or

removal, from office, the Treasurer shall immediately restore to HTNB all books, papers,

vouchers, money, and other records or property in his/her possession or under his/her control

belonging to HTNB.

f) Immediate Past President - shall be a member an Officer of the Board whose duties will be

assigned by the Board.

Section 10 - Duties of Officers

The officers of the Board will form the Executive Committee which shall have such powers and duties subject to the authority of the Board of Directors to: a) Conduct the day to day business of HTNB between meetings of the Board of Directors.

b) Interpret the rules and regulations and to carry out such objectives of HTNB and to

enforce them.

c) Act as a hearing committee to investigate and review appeals and protest appeals from recognized members of HTNB and invoke such penalties as may be permitted by the rules and regulations of HTNB.

Section 11 - Quorum of Officers

Three (3) Officers of HTNB shall constitute a quorum for meetings of the Executive Committee. Each member of the Executive Committee shall have one vote each.

Section 12 - Meetings of Officers

The President shall call meetings of the Executive Committee at any time and place that is

determined to be acceptable to the Executive Committee.

Section 13 - Remuneration

Officers shall not accept any salary or fee of any kind in respect to their position. They may,

however, accept reimbursement for transportation, lodging, meals, and other proper expenses

incurred by them in connection with their duties as legitimate representatives of HTNB.

Section 14 - Term of Office

Any Officer who has served in the same office for five (5) consecutive terms shall not be eligible for re-election to that office.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 9 - General Membership Meetings

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Section 1 - Annual and Special Meetings

a) The Annual General Meeting of HTNB shall be held by March 31st of each year at such time and place as the President and/or the Board of Directors may designate.

b) A Special General Meeting of the membership shall be called when requested in writing by not less than five (5) Directors or on receipt of a written demand signed by 10% of the

members which sets out the nature of the business to be brought forward and upon the

Secretary giving a maximum of twenty-one (21) days and a minimum of ten (10) days prior

notice to the members. Notice may be given in writing, by email, or by both.

Section 2 - Notice of Meeting

a) A maximum of thirty (30) days and a minimum of twenty one (21) days notice shall be given to each member of HTNB of the time and date of the Annual General Meeting and a

maximum of twenty-one (21) days and a minimum of ten (10) days prior notice for Special

Meetings.

- b) Notice may be given in writing, or by email, or by both methods.
- c) At the Annual Meeting a notice of meeting shall be accompanied by tentative agenda and voting proxy form.
- d) The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:
 - i) To receive the report of the President on behalf of the Board;
 - ii) To receive the report of the Treasurer;
 - iii) To elect Directors for the ensuing year to the number required;
 - iv) To transact any special business properly brought before the meeting; and
 - v) To transact such other business as is normally transacted at the Annual General Meeting.
 - vi) Ratification of the Actions of the Directors.
- e) Any member of HTNB shall be entitled to give notice of an item for inclusion on the agenda of an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting provided a notice in writing is received by the Secretary fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting.
- f) The business at a Special General Meeting shall be as set forth in the demand for a special meeting.
- g) The only persons entitled to attend a meeting of members shall be the members, the auditor(s) of HTNB and others who, although not entitled to vote, are entitled or required under provisions of the Companies Act of New Brunswick or the letters patent or By-Laws to be present at the meeting. Any other person may be admitted only on the invitation of the chairman of the meeting or with the consent of the meeting.

Section 3 - Omission of Notice of Meetings

The accidental omission to give notice to or non-receipt of any notice by any voting member, shall not invalidate any resolution passed or any proceedings taken at any meeting.

Section 4 - Proceedings at General Meetings

a) At least seven (7) of the members in good standing and present in person shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the membership whether it be the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting, providing a quorum of Directors is present.

b) The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, or in the absence of both, a member

of the Board appointed by the Board shall preside at all general meetings.

Section 5 - Minutes

The Secretary shall cause minutes of the proceedings of every General Meeting to be kept.

Section 5 - Voting

a) Each member shall have 1 vote at the Annual General Meeting and any Special General

Meeting of HTNB. These members and their powers of voting are listed below for clarification:

i) Senior Member 1 vote

ii) Junior Member 1 limited vote

iii) Family Members 1 vote per adult family member

iv) Honorary Member 1 vote

v) Non-Competitive Member 0 vote

b) The right to vote does not vest in any member until thirty (30) days after the acceptance of

the applicant's application for membership in HTNB.

c) Proxy Voting - Proxy voting will be permitted at the Annual General Meeting or any

Special General Meeting of HTNB using the prescribed form which shall be provided by the

Secretary with the notice of meeting. Proxy voting forms will also be made available on the

HTNB website.

i) The proxy form will be as prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

ii) All voting by proxy shall be done by members of HTNB in good standing, who are

eligible to vote, and must be authenticated one-half (1/2) hour prior to the beginning of the meeting. Proxy votes will only be valid when submitted on behalf of members of HTNB in good standing, who are eligible to vote.

d) At all Annual General Meetings or Special General Meetings of HTNB every motion shall

be determined by a majority of votes unless otherwise specifically provided in the

Constitution or By-Laws of HTNB. In the event of a tie at any Annual General Meeting or

Special General Meeting of HTNB the Chair may cast a second vote in order to break the

tie.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read. The article was passed as read.

Article 10 - Committees

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Section 1 - Committees

a) The Board of Directors may strike committees not inconsistent with this by-law relating

to the management and operation of HTNB.

b) Each such committee shall discharge the function described by the Board of Directors as

its terms of reference. Appointments to the committees shall ensure that the membership of

HTNB is represented on each committee on an equitable basis. Each committee shall report

all actions, on a regular bases, to the Board of Directors for presentation to the Annual

General Meeting of HTNB for consideration by members.

c) Committee Chairpersons:

i) Must be a member of the Board of Directors.

ii) Shall be appointed by the President subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

d) The President is an ex-officio member of all committees and as such shall receive notice

of all committee meetings and minutes of same.

e) The Board of Directors may appoint annual standing committees as may be required year

to year and shall have the power to appoint additional committees from time to time as it

shall deem necessary and appropriate.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read. The article was passed as read.

Article 11 - Fiscal Year

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Section 1 - Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of HTNB shall terminate on the thirty-first day of December of each year.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read. The article was passed as read.

Article 12 - Indemnification

Article 12 - Indemnification

Section 1 - Indemnification

The organization shall indemnify its Directors and Officers and former Directors and Officer and their heirs and legal representatives and volunteers against all costs, charges and expense, including an amount paid to settle an action or satisfy a judgment, reasonable incurred by them in respect of any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding to which they are made parties by reason of being Directors of Officers of the organization, including an action by or on behalf of the organization, if:

a) They acted honestly and in good faith with a view of the best interests of the

organization.

c) They gave notice to the organization of the civil, criminal, or

administrative action or

proceeding immediately upon becoming aware of it and also cooperated with the organization in the defense of the action or proceeding to such extent as may be reasonable in the circumstances.

Section 2 - Limitation of Liability

No Director or Officer of HTNB shall be liable for the acts, receipts, neglects or defaults of any other Director or Officer or employee, or for joining in any receipt or other act for conformity, or for any loss, damage or expense happening to HTNB through the insufficiency or deficiency of title to property acquired by order of the Board for or on behalf of HTNB, or for the insufficiency or deficiency of any security in or upon which any of the moneys of HTNB shall be invested, or for any loss or damage arising from the bankruptcy, insolvency or tortuous act of any person with whom any of the moneys, securities or effects of HTNB shall be deposited, or for any loss occasioned by any error of judgment or whatever which shall happen in the execution of the duties of his office or in relation thereto unless the same are occasioned by his own willful neglect or default.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read. The article was passed as read.

Article 13 - By-Law Amendments

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Section 1 - Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended at any Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of HTNB by a vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at the meeting; provided, however, that the amendments, have

been submitted to the Secretary of HTNB to permit the Secretary of HTNB to give thirty (30) days notice in writing and/or by email of the proposed amendments to all members of HTNB.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 14 - Auditor

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Section 1 - Auditor

a) The members may at each Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting

appoint an auditor whose duty will be to audit the accounts of HTNB. The remuneration of

the auditor shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

b) If an auditor so appointed is for any reason unable to act, a new auditor may be appointed

at the next Annual General Meeting or at any Special General Meeting of HTNB.

c) The auditor so appointed shall examine the books and accounts of HTNB and submit a

report, in writing, to the Annual General Meeting of HTNB.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 15 - Signature of Documents

Article 15 - Signature and Certification of Documents

Section 1 - Signature of Documents

Contracts, documents or any instruments in writing requiring signature of the HTNB, shall be signed by the President of HTNB and one other of the Officers of HTNB. All contracts, documents and instruments in writing so signed shall be binding upon HTNB.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 16 - Privacy

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Section 1 - Privacy Officer

The organization shall appoint a Privacy Officer, under the terms and conditions of the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act, and the Privacy Officer shall maintain his/her post until such time as a successor is appointed.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 17 - Rules of Order

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Section 1 - Rules of Order

Where not otherwise provided by these by-laws, the order of procedure at meetings of the Company shall be according to the latest edition of Call to Order by Herb Perry.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 18 - Conflicts of Interest

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Section 1 - Declaration

A Director must, at the earliest possible opportunity, declare their conflict of interest to the Board when:

(a) A Director who has an interest in any party to a contract or proposed contract with the

HTNB shall disclose in writing to the Board his/her conflict.

(b) A disclosed conflict will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which the

disclosure is made.

Section 2 - Participation at Meetings

A Director who declares a conflict of interest is entitled to remain at the meeting where the issue is discussed. However, the Director is not entitled to participate in the discussions or vote on any proposed resolution.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.

Article 19 - Effective Date

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Section 1 - Effective Date

This By-law shall come into force when confirmed by the membership at the Annual General

Meeting of the members.

This article was read to the assembled membership and voted upon as read.
The article was passed as read.