



**Minutes of the Canadian Welding Association's
2006 Annual General Meeting
held at the Renaissance Toronto Airport Hotel
Toronto, Ontario
at 4:30 pm on Monday, September 25, 2006**

Call to order

At 4:30 pm, Bill Eccles, President of the CWA, assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order. He welcomed everyone present to the Canadian Welding Association's fifth Annual General Meeting

Appointment of Secretary

The President asked the Executive Director, John Levi, to act as Secretary of the Meeting.

Signing of Anti-Combines Form

The President advised that the CWA's Anti-Combines form is being circulated and asked all present to sign this form, indicating that you will comply with CWA's Anti-Combine Guidelines.

Notice of Meeting

The President asked the secretary to read the Notice calling the meeting.

The secretary read the Notice of Meeting and stated that the Notice was duly mailed with the Canadian Welding Association Journal to all members of the Association on August 18, 2006.

The President directed that the Notice calling the meeting be duly filed and that a copy of the Notice be kept by the Secretary with the records of this meeting.

Meeting Regularly Constituted

The President then asked the secretary if the required number of members were present to constitute a quorum.

The secretary more than half of the Board of Directors was present, thus constituting a quorum.

The President declared the meeting regularly called and properly constituted for the transaction of business.

Adoption of Agenda

The President asked for a motion adopting the agenda for this Annual General Meeting.

So moved by Dan Tadic, seconded by Dave Fink. CARRIED

Approval of the AGM minutes of September 30, 2005

The President asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the minutes of the Canadian Welding Association's Annual General Meeting held in Halifax on September 30, 2005. He then asked for a motion adopting the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held in Halifax on September 30, 2005.

So moved by Dale Malcolm, seconded by Jim Reid. CARRIED

Ratification of Acts

The President asked for a motion for ratification of the actions of the Board of Directors, that all acts, contracts, bylaws, proceedings, appointments, elections and payments enacted, made, done and taken by the directors and officers of the Canadian Welding Association since the last Annual General Meeting held on September 30, 2005 as the same are set out or referred to in the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors or the reports and financial statements submitted to this meeting, are hereby approved and confirmed.

So moved by Dave Fink, seconded by Brian McQueen. CARRIED

Chapter Reports

The President declared that in the interest of completing the meeting within the allotted time, the reading of chapter reports would be waived.

Supplier Committee Report

Dale Malcolm, co-chair of the Suppliers Committee, presented his report. (Attached)

Education Committee Report

Bruce James indicated that there had been no activity of the Education Committee since the last meeting.

Journal Committee Report

John Levi presented this the Canadian Welding Association Journal Committee in Bob Shaw's absence. (Attached)

Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2006

In Dave Wilson's absence, the President called on Dave Wilson, CWA's Treasurer, to present the Treasurer's Report and Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. John Levi, as Dave Wilson's designate, will present the Treasurer's Report.

John Levi presented the Treasurer's Report and Statements. (Attached)

The President asked for a motion to adopt of the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006.

So moved by Dan Tadic, seconded by Will Morlidge. CARRIED

Appointment of Auditor

The President asked for a motion that Canadian Welding Association retain Ray W. MacKenzie as the Association's auditor for the fiscal year, July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

So moved by Dave Fink, seconded by Dale Malcolm. CARRIED

Executive Director's Report

John Levi, Executive Director, presented his report. (Attached)

President's Report

Bill Eccles, President, presented his report. (Attached)

Future Direction of CWA

The President stated that in the Board of Directors Meeting, we discussed how the CWA should proceed over the next several years. He indicated that several options had been examined which included:

- A minor reorganization of CWA and its chapter system
- A cooperative effort in partnership with the Canadian Welding Bureau
- A corporate merger with the Canadian Welding Bureau

He stated that other options might come out of future discussions and asked for the opinion of those present. He indicated that any future decisions would be put before the members of the Association for their approval.

In the interim, he asked for the approval of members for the Board of Directors to continue exploration of this initiative. All present agreed unanimously.

Election of Officers

The President stated that as the CWA enters this period of change, the Nominating Committee decided to seek the advice of the Board of Directors in determining the slate of officers.

The slate of officers as nominated by the Board of Directors is as follows:

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| • President | Emad Assaad |
| • First Vice President | Dan Tadic |
| • Second Vice President | Ed Whalen |
| • Treasurer | Dale Malcolm |
| • Past President | Bill Eccles |

The President asked for a motion that the slate of nominations be accepted and that the members be elected to serve a two-year term of office, commencing on September 25, 2006.

So moved by Elgin Hartsell, seconded by Will Morlidge.

CARRIED

Other Business

The President asked if there were any further items of business to be brought before the meeting. There being none, he moved on to adjourning the meeting.

Adjournment

The President announced that the Canadian Welding Association's 2006 Awards Dinner would begin at 5:30 PM with a reception in the foyer of the Muskoka Room, followed by dinner at 6:30 PM in the Muskoka Room. The recipient of the Michael N. Vuchnich Award is Slavko Panezic from the Canadian Welding Bureau and of the Robert J. Jacobson Memorial Award, Dan Tadic, Chair of CWA's Hamilton & Region Chapter.

He then declared that as there was no further business to be brought before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned.