



Synergy Youth and Community Development Society Annual General Meeting – at Lifepath Centre for Community Leadership

Tuesday, May 27, 2025, | 7:00pm – 8:00pm

AGM Chairperson – Andrew Persaud | AGM Secretary – Grace McKenna

30 participants in attendance

Agenda:

1. **Welcome & Land Acknowledgement** completed by Andrew Persaud.
2. **Call to Order** at 7:07 pm by Andrew Persaud.
3. **Adoption of Agenda** moved by Natasha Goddard, seconded by Patricia Sproule, all in favour.
4. **Adoption of May 28, 2024 AGM Minutes** (available on Synergy website) moved by Matt Sywenky, seconded by Neena Obhrai, all in favour.
5. **Agency Progress Report** presented by Coralee McIntosh and Terry Gill.
 - 2024 Impact Report & 2024 Highlights (full draft report available on Synergy website):
 - o Community connections:
 - Community Mental Health Fair
 - Hockey Marathon volunteering and silent auction
 - Duck Race sold out
 - Youth Safer Communities Report workshop deliveries
 - o The Numbers
 - Youth programs, community, initiatives, and volunteering
 - Grant funding
 - Fundraising
 - o On the horizon
 - 2026 Community Mental Health Fair
 - Youth Safer Communities Project, ongoing from initial work in 2021, follow-up survey planned in next year
6. **Testimonial #1** question presented by Sheryce Hains to SERVE Leadership members Anant Singh, Kiranpreet Sekhon, and Sukhman Khaira:
 - a. How has your involvement in Synergy programs impacted you?
7. **Treasurer's Report** presented by Deb Hitchcock and Coralee McIntosh.

Draft financials presented; 2024 review engagement will be finalized prior to the June 2025 Board Meeting and posted to the Synergy website once approved.
Moved by Megan Desplanque to accept Treasurer's report as presented in draft form, seconded by Natasha Goddard, all in favour.

8. Testimonial #2 question presented by Natasha Goddard to program parents Tamar Shimoon and Michelle Bennett:

a. How has being involved in Synergy programs & initiatives impacted you?

9. Patty Sproule Heart of Synergy Award Ceremony presented by Patty Sproule.

a. Finalists: Joty Dhanda, Lucas Tacknyk & Jeiya Thind.

b. Winner: Joty Dhanda

Special Presentation by Patty Sproule and Natasha Goddard to recognize former Board Chairperson Matt Sywenky for his commitment and dedication.

10. Testimonial #3 question presented by Lori Persaud to SERVE Leadership members Prabhleen Supra and Reeyana Gill:

a. What is your favourite thing or memory of Synergy?

11. Bylaws Update presented by Terry Gill. Special resolution for bylaw changes.

Moved by Grace McKenna to accept bylaws as presented, seconded by Sheryce Hains, all in favour.

12. Election of Board Directors directed by Andrew Persaud and Sheryce Hains.

Election of board officers and appointment of committee members will be done at next organizational meeting in June.

Nominations and Election of Board Officers

- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Sheryce Hains by Natasha Goddard, seconded by Lori Persaud, all in favour.
- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Andrew Persaud by Sheryce Hains, seconded by Deb Hitchcock, all in favour.
- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Lori Persaud by Andrew Persaud, seconded by Natasha Goddard, all in favour.
- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Deb Hitchcock by Lori Persaud, seconded by Andrew Persaud, all in favour.
- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Grace McKenna by Deb Hitchcock, seconded by Lori Persaud, all in favour.
- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Rody Visotski by Grace McKenna, seconded by Andrew Persaud, all in favour.
- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Neena Obhrai by Andrew Persaud, seconded by Lori Persaud, all in favour.
- Nominated for election or re-election in the position of Director
 - o Natasha Goddard by Neena Obhrai, seconded by Deb Hitchcock, all in favour.

13. Acknowledgements

Thank you given by Terry Gill and Coralee McIntosh for those who shared their stories, Board members, staff, volunteers, participants, parents, and all attending AGM.

Thank you by Andrew Persaud on behalf of the board to the Terry Gill and Coralee McIntosh for their leadership, commitment, and above-and-beyond efforts.

14. Adjournment

Move to adjourn by Sheryce Hains, seconded by Lori Persaud, all in favour at 8:09 pm.