



**2018 AGM National Association of Japanese Canadians
September 21, 2018
Japanese Cultural Association of Manitoba
Winnipeg, Manitoba**

2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 3:00pm

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome and announcements by David Mitsui, President of NAJC

David Mitsui welcomed the delegates, alternates, observers and the National Executive Board to the NAJC AGM in Winnipeg.

NAJC Annual Report available on the member's only website as well as USB sticks that have been distributed to members.

Welcome from JCAM by Art Miki

Welcome to the community and thanked the committee

3. APPOINTMENTS

Appointment of Karina Uehara (National Administrator) as Recording Secretary-

Appointment of Joanne Planidin (Individual Member from Calgary) as Rules of Order Chair for the meeting.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll Call:

National Executive Board Members:

President

David Mitsui (election vote only)

Vice-President	Lorene Oikawa (election vote only)
Secretary	Michiko Yano Shuttleworth (election vote only)
Treasurer	Noreen Kuroyama (election vote only)
Director	Lisa Uyeda (election vote only)
Director	Eiko Eby (election vote only)
Executive Director	Kevin Okabe (individual member)
National Administrator	Karina Uehara (non-voting)

NAJC Member Delegates

Full member organizations:

Calgary Japanese Community Association	Roger Teshima
Alternate	Maureen Coleman
Edmonton Japanese Community Association	Sanae Ohki
Alternate	Tamara Sutherland
Greater Toronto Chapter of the NAJC	Kim Uyede-Kai
Alternate	Lynn Kobayashi
Greater Vancouver Japanese Canadian Citizens 'Association	Judy Hanazawa
Alternate	Carmel Tanaka
Hamilton Chapter	Patti Simpson
Alternate	Anri Simpson
Japanese Canadian Association of Yukon	Fumi Torigai
alternate	Yoko Oda
Japanese Cultural Association of Manitoba	Art Miki
Alternate	Ken Teramura
Kamloops Japanese Canadian Association	Brenda Sawada
Lakehead Japanese Cultural Association	Terry Tsubouchi
Nikkei Cultural Society of Lethbridge & Area	David Tanaka
Ottawa Japanese Community Association	Naomi Katsumi
Alternates	Yumi Schoenhofer & Melisa Kamibayashi-Staples
Victoria Nikkei Cultural Society	Tsugio Kurushima

Alternate Yukari Peerless

Supporting member organizations:

Central Vancouver Island JCCS Eiko Eby

Nikkei National Museum & Cultural Centre Sherri Kajiwara

Village of New Denver Ann Bunka

Individual members:

Kayla Isomura, West Westminster, BC
Alex Miki, Winnipeg
Naoko Maebashi, Calgary
Carolyn Nakagawa, Vancouver
Kendall Yamagishi, Toronto
Kiyoshi Dembo, Toronto
Valerie-Hoshizaki-Nordin, Winnipeg
Keiko Miki, Winnipeg
Maryka Omatsu, Vancouver
Joanne Planidin, Calgary
Brefni Shuttleworth, Cobourg
Grace Thomson, Vancouver

Regrets:

Director	Susanne Tabata
Director	Bryan Tomlinson
Vernon Japanese Cultural Society- delegate	Janice Buick
Regina Japanese Cultural Club	
Individual member	James Sinnock, Winnipeg
Individual member	Pamela Sugiman, Toronto

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion (#1)	to accept the 2018 Agenda of the AGM		
Moved by:	Ann Bunka (Village New Denver)	Seconded by:	Lynn Kobayashi (Toronto)
Result:	Carried.		

6. APPROVAL OF NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HOST CITY

Motion (#2)	to accept Edmonton as the host city for the 2019 AGM & Conference		
Moved by:	Roger Teshima (Calgary)	Seconded by:	Judy Hanazawa (Vancouver)
Result:	Carried.		

7. APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL FIRM

Motion (#3)	to accept the appointment legal firm of Booth Dennehy, LLP as the legal firm for NAJC for 2018-2019		
Moved by:	Art Miki (MB)	Seconded by:	Patti Simpson (Hamilton)
Result:	Carried.		

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion (#4)	to accept the Treasurer's Report, March 31, 2018. Noreen Kuroyama		
Moved by:	Brenda Sawada (Kamloops)	Seconded by:	Naomi Katsumi (Ottawa)
Result:	Carried.		

Motion (#5)	to accept the audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2018. Auditor still finalizing report so audited statements will need to be ratified at a future date. Once finalized, draft will be circulated along with 90 days notice for a National Council Zoom Conference Call.		
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Motion (#6)	To appoint the firm Miyazawa and Company as the auditor of the NAJC for the 2018-2019 year.		
Moved by:	Art Miki (Winnipeg)	Seconded by:	David Tanaka (Lethbridge)
Result:	Carried.		

Motion (#7)	to accept 2018-19 Budget as amended.		
Moved by:	Kim Uyede-Kai (Toronto)	Seconded by:	Naomi Katsumi (Ottawa)
Result:	Carried.		

Modifications of the budget were made to the following expenses: BC redress, travel, website, Suzuka scholarship, EF administration, replacing the F2F meeting with zoom meetings, separate line for ED expenses. Human rights budget: the actuals were lower than the budget.

9. APPROVAL OF NAJC ANNUAL AND AGM REPORTS

Available on Website

Motion (#8)	to accept 2018 AGM reports as presented.		
Moved by:	Roger Teshima (Calgary)	Seconded by:	Sherri Kajiwara (NNM)
Result:	Carried.		

HR network: more information needed and lists were requested.

Human rights work: more outreach & development.

Heritage: signage project finished; legacy project interpreted signs to recognize the JC internment

Membership: criteria to be a member in the bylaws, volunteer appreciation. Participation in the Powell Street Festival

Human rights: speaker series.

Young leaders: monthly meetings, the Suitcase project, survey, priorities.

10. APPROVAL OF NAJC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Motion (#9)	to accept the minutes of the August 20, 2018 National Council Meeting.		
Moved by:	Art Miki (Winnipeg)	Seconded by:	Judy Hanazawa (Vancouver)
Result:	Carried.		

Action items arising from minutes:

- a. Question about breach of confidentiality relating to Synopsis?
 - NEB members polled, none admitted to breaching confidentiality
 - Question remains – how did information that was confidential to the NEB get included in the Synopsis?
- b. Revocation of Membership (needs 30 days notification)
- c. Revocation of NEB member (needs 30 days notification, only relevant if elected to NEB)

MOTION: Discussion about motion 10 for 15 minutes. Moved by Art Miki and seconded by Judy Hanazawa.

Joanne Planidin was appointed Point of Order.

MOTION: to finalize the discussion. Moved by Art Miki and seconded by Brefni Shuttleworth.

Motion (#10) Deleted

11. ELECTIONS

Abstained: Janice Buick (Vernon)

Absent: James Sinnock, Susanne Tabata, Pamela Sugiman

Position	Name	Member of:
President (Acclaimed) 1 nomination received	Lorene Oikawa	Greater Vancouver Japanese Canadian Citizens' Association
Vice President (Acclaimed) 1 nomination received	Keiko Miki	Japanese Cultural Association of Manitoba
Treasurer (Acclaimed) 1 nomination received	Les Kojima	Japanese Cultural Association of Manitoba
Secretary (Election to be held) 2 nominations received for 1 position	Eiko Eby	Central Vancouver Island JC Cultural Society
	Naomi Katsumi	Ottawa Japanese Community Association
Directors (Election to be held) 4 nominations received for 3 positions	Kiyoshi Dembo	NAJC (Individual Member)
	Susanne Tabata	Greater Vancouver Japanese Canadian Citizens' Association
	Bryan Tomlinson	Ottawa Japanese Community Association
	Michiko Yano-Shuttleworth	Greater Toronto Chapter NAJC

- a) Nominations Committee:
 - a. Chair – Noreen Kuroyama
 - b. Returning Officer – Roger resigned so new returning officer appointed (Terumi Kuwada)
 - c. Other committee member – Lisa Uyeda
- b) Elections to be held for the Secretary position and for the three open director positions. The candidates for all other open positions have been acclaimed
- c) Ballots to be distributed by the National Administrator (different colours depending on type of membership)
- d) Secretary Position – 2 candidates for 1 position – each allowed 3 minutes to speak to their nomination
 - a. Eiko Eby
 - b. Naomi Katsumi
- e) Director Position – 4 candidates for 3 positions – each allowed 3 minutes to speak to their nomination

- a. Kiyoshi Dembo
 - b. Susanne Tabata (Maryka Omatsu to speak on her behalf)
 - c. Bryan Tomlinson (speaker)
 - d. Michiko Yano-Shuttleworth
- f) Election Ballots to be cast
- a. Mark ballots with X
 - b. For Director positions, make up to 3 selections (do not have to cast 3 selections)
- g) Scrutineers Identified
- a. Kim Uyede-Kai
 - b. Sanae Ohki
 - c. Maryka Omatsu
 - d. Brefni Shuttleworth
 - e. Eiko Eby
- h) Nominations Committee to count ballot and scrutineers will observe: Kevin Okabe, Noreen Kuroyama, Terumi Kuwada and Lisa Uyeda
- i) Election Results Announced
Secretary elected: Eiko Eby
Directors elected: Kiyoshi Dembo, Susanne Tabata and Bryan Tomlinson

Motion (#11)	to approve the National Executive Board for 2018-2020		
Moved by:	David Tanaka (Lethbridge)	Seconded by:	Fumi Torigai (Yukon)
Result:	Carried.		

Motion (#12)	to destroy the ballots 30 days after September 21, 2018		
Moved by:	Patti Simpson (Hamilton)	Seconded by:	Sherri Kajiwara (NNM)
Result:	Carried.		

Still seeking volunteers to serve on Endowment Fund Committee

Motion (#13)	to adjourn at 6: 52 pm		
Moved by:	Judy Hanazawa (Vancouver)		