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In Celebration of

## **PARTNERSHIPS**

The JHS Board of Directors invites you to  
attend our

# **72<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting**

**Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**

### **Activities Include:**

- Presentation of the Annual Report
- Appointment of a new Auditor
- Audit Financial Statements
- Election of the Board of Directors

**Please RSVP by June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

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We hope you are  
able to join us to  
celebrate over 70  
years of  
partnerships,  
programs and  
services in Nova  
Scotia

—  
Saint Andrews  
Community Center  
3380 Barnstead Lane  
Halifax, Nova Scotia

—  
5:30pm  
Meet and Greet  
with light  
refreshments

—  
AGM Business  
Meeting to follow



## 72<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

5:30pm - 7pm

**Saint Andrews Community Center or via Zoom**

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|---------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 5:45 pm | Meeting Opening and Introductions   | Carolyn O'Malley                    |
|         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Call to order and welcome</li><li>· Land Acknowledgement</li></ul>  |                                     |
| 5:50 pm | Business Meeting  | Carolyn O'Malley                    |
|         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Approval of Agenda</li><li>· Approval of the 2020-2021 Annual General Meeting Minutes</li></ul>   |                                     |
| 5:55 pm | Reports   | Carolyn O'Malley and Leisha Seymour |
|         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Review of 2021-2022 Annual Report</li><li>· President – Carolyn O'Malley</li><li>· Executive Director – Leisha Seymour</li><li>· HRO Director – Adrienne Macdonald</li><li>· NERO Director – Susan Hughes</li><li>· CRO Director - Chris King</li></ul> |                                     |
| 6:20 pm | Financial Reports   | Jane MacMaster                      |
|         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Financial Statements</li><li>· Appointment of Fiscal Year 2022-23 External Auditor</li></ul>  |                                     |
| 6:25 pm | Nominations Report  | Janice Fiander                      |
|         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Nomination Report</li><li>· Election of Directors to the Board</li></ul>  |                                     |
| 6:35 pm | By-law amendments   | Louise Grey                         |
| 6:45 pm | Ratification of Acts of Directors   | Carolyn O'Malley                    |
| 6:50 pm | Recognition Awards  | Carolyn O'Malley and Leisha Seymour |
|         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Presentations and Recognition Awards</li></ul>  |                                     |

*Short business meeting of the board to follow*



## **Member Society of the John Howard Society of Canada**

### **Board of Directors**

President	Carolyn O'Malley
Vice President	Mike Dull
Past President	Janice Fiander
Secretary/Treasurer	Jane MacMaster
Directors	Janis Aitken
	Marcus James
	Louise Gray
	Alisha Brown-Fagan
	Charnell Brooks
	Alexander McKillop
Executive Director	Leisha Seymour

## **Programs and Service Areas**

Housing Support Programs

Community Assessments

Community Workplace Program

Employment Programs

Life Skills Workshops

Community Education Programs

Restorative Justice Programs

Community Maintenance Program

Record Suspension Program

In-Reach Services & Supports

Transitional Support

Volunteer & Student Placement Programs

## Offices and Service Locations

### Provincial Office

1-541 Sackville Drive  
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 2S1  
(902) 429-6429  
E/Director: Leisha Seymour

### Central Office

Unit A, 1019 Prince Street,  
Truro, NS B2N 1H7  
(902) 843-4969  
Director: Christina King

### Building Better Employment

Unit 2, 223 Wyse Rd.  
Dartmouth, NS B3A 1N1  
(902) 429-6429  
Program Lead: Alex Isenor

### JHSNS Pictou Community Hub

199 Elliott St.  
Pictou, NS B0K 1H0  
(902) 485-2125  
Resident Manager: Russell Borden

### Nova RampUp Program

199 Elliott St.  
Pictou, NS B0K 1H0  
(902) 691-2250  
Project Manager: Alex LeBlanc

### Halifax Office

1-541 Sackville Drive  
Lower Sackville, NS B4C 2S1  
(902) 429-6429  
Director: Adrienne MacDonald

### North Eastern Office

526C East River Road  
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3R6  
(902) 396-1999  
Director: Susan Hughes

### JHSNS Edge Program

532 B East River Rd.  
New Glasgow, NS B2H 3R6  
(902) 396-1999  
Program Lead: Alex Isenor

### Bail Program – Cape Breton

66 Wentworth St.  
Sydney, NS  
(902) 217-0063  
Bail Program Lead: Jenna Tucker

### Project Pivot

Homeward Suites, Room 610  
1960 Brunswick St, HFX, NS  
(902) 210-2157  
Housing Team Lead: James Cameron

**2020-2021 Annual General Meeting Minutes**  
**The John Howard Society of Nova Scotia's 71<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**  
**Hosted via In-Person and Zoom**  
**June 24, 2021**

**Present:**

Adrienne MacDonald	Alexander Isenor	Alicia Brown-Fagan
Carolyn O'Malley	Charnell Brooks	Julia McCallum
Leisha Seymour	Daniela Mayo	Julie Berkers
Fred Honsberger	Gillian Morrissey	Faith Kubai
Tanya Prosser	Julie Slen	Tyler Skinner
Janis Aitken	Jenna Tucker	Russell Borden
Janice Fiander	Jane MacMaster	Tara Cromwell
Joy Steem	Marcus James	Kate Langille
Mike Dull	Kit Waters	Christina King
Louise Gray	Marie Holeiter	Matthew Burt
Ibrahim ElAyyat	Susan Hughes	Wanda Grant
Alexander McKillop		

**Resource:** Leisha Seymour, Executive Director

Janice welcomed everyone to the meeting and began with a description of the virtual annual general meeting. The voting process was communicated to the group.

Acknowledgements were made by the Chair of Mi'kmaq territory, communities of African descent and the 71st anniversary of the John Howard Society of Nova Scotia.

**Call to Order:** Janice Fiander called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm and a quorum was declared.

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Carolyn O'Malley , seconded by Fred Honsberger, that the agenda for the AGM be approved. **Carried.**

**Confirmation of minutes of 2019-20 AGM:** Motion by Kit Waters , seconded by Carolyn O'Malley, that the minutes of the 2019-20 Annual General Meeting be confirmed. **Carried.**

**Review of 2020-21 Annual Reports:** The full reports are contained within the annual report – the highlights from each are as follows:

**President of the Board:** Janice Fiander acknowledged the Society's seventy-one years of service milestone by highlighting the Society's long-standing history as a non-profit organization. She highlighted how JHSNS remained responsive during the pandemic; and accomplished lots of great work. She recognized that the Province is starting to open up and said she is hopeful the John Howard Society of Canada's annual General meeting will be able to be



held safely in Halifax in October 2021. She then shared her appreciation for the Society's staff and volunteers for their work, especially for their ongoing efforts in supporting clients during the COVID-19 pandemic. Janice finished by thanking the Society's partners, Board Members and the interim Executive Director.

*Executive Director:* Sean Kelly acknowledged the Society's seventy-one years of service. Sean shared the highlights and successes of the 3 regional offices. Which can be found in more detail in the Annual Report. He concluded with special thanks to community partners, staff, and the Board of Directors.

***Financial Statements:*** The audited statement for fiscal year 2020-21 was presented by Carolyn O'Malley, who noted that the Society has a healthy income statement this year. Carolyn had previously distributed the Auditors Report to the Board and she advised that it was a clean audit. Motion by Carolyn O'Malley and seconded by Janis Aitken that the Auditor's report be accepted. **Carried.**

***Appointment of External Auditors:*** Moved by Carolyn O'Malley, seconded by Fred Honsberger, that Miles T. Sweeney Ltd. be appointed as external auditors for the JHSNS for the fiscal year 2021-2022. **Carried.**

***Nominating Report:*** Kit Waters presented the report of the Nominating Committee, recommending that the following individuals be re-appointed to a two-year term to the JHSNS Board: Janis Aitken, Janice Fiander, Louise Grey and Julie Slen. The Committee further recommended that the following new Board members be appointed for a two-year term: Jane MacMaster, Bev Walker, Alexander McKillop and Alicia Brown-Fagen.

A call for 'further nominations' from the floor was made three times. There being none, it was moved by Kit Waters, seconded by Carolyn O'Malley, that the Nomination Report be accepted as presented and that the directors who have agreed to stand for a two-year term be acclaimed. **Carried.**

***Ratification of Acts of Directors:*** Motion by Janice Fiander, seconded by Kit Waters that all resolutions, contracts, acts and proceedings of the Board of Directors of the Society since the last Annual General Meeting of members be approved. **Carried.**

***Presentations and Recognition:*** Certificates of appreciation were presented to the following staff, volunteers and initiative:

**Staff Recognition Awards:**

Wanda Grant – Central Office – 10 years

Kate Langille – Northeast Office – 10 years

Christina King – Central Office – 16 years

Susan Hughes – Northeast Office 20 years

**Former volunteer:** Berma Marshall was recognized for her 19 years of volunteer service with the Northeast Office. Berma started her volunteer career on September 16, 2002 and passed away in May of this year. She was the longest standing volunteer in our agency.

Janice Fiander thanked everyone for attending the virtual meeting and expressed hope for an in person meeting for the John Howard Society of Canada's AGM in Halifax in October 2021

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Janice Fiander at 6:19 pm.