

# *Assayers Foundation of British Columbia*



**MINUTES**  
of the  
**Annual General Meeting of the Certified Assayers Foundation of British Columbia**  
held in  
**Room SW9-118. British Columbia Institute of Technology,**  
**3700 Willingdon Ave. Burnaby, BC.**

**April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

***Present:***

John Gravel	Vancouver, BC
Ray Lett (Secretary/Treasurer)	Victoria, BC
Jim McLeod (Chair)	Vancouver, BC
Paul Morrison	Burnaby, BC.
Keith Rogers	Vancouver, BC
Scott Daniels	Trail, BC.
Elaine Woo	Burnaby, BC.
Mac Chaudhry	Victoria, BC
Alice Pang	

## **1. Approval of the Meeting Agenda**

Meeting called to order at 11.34 a.m. by Jim McLeod and a quorum of members determined to be present. The Agenda was tabled and additional items for discussion invited. There were no additional items for discussion.

*Proposed by Mac Chaudhry and seconded by Keith Rogers that the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007 be accepted.* **Discussion:** None. Unanimous acceptance of the Motion.

## **2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Certified Assayers Foundation of British Columbia held on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2006.**

The Secretary had distributed minutes before the Annual General Meeting.

*Proposed by Ray Lett and seconded by Lloyd Twaites that the Minutes of the May 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Assayers Foundation of British Columbia be accepted*

**Discussion on Matters Arising from the Minutes:** Unanimous agreement that discussion of the Minutes be deferred to the Advisors Council Meeting following the Annual meeting.

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Call for a vote on the Motion. Unanimous acceptance of the Minutes as presented.

### **3. Chair Report (Jim McLeod)**

2006 has been another record setting year for the mining industry in British Columbia and around the world. This has resulted in a significant workload increase and staffing issues in our industry.

The need for B.C. Certified Assayers, whom laboratories rely on to provide expertise and leadership for the larger numbers of people working in the analytical industry is reaching critical levels. The immediate future of the industry looks very bullish.

The B.C. Assayers Certification Program (BC-ACP) represents a partnership between the B.C. Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, B.C.I.T. and members of the commercial analytical industry (founded in 1997). This partnership provides direction to the program, attempts to raise public awareness and encourages present and future analysts to obtain certification.

The Assayers Foundation of British Columbia is a non profit organization founded in 2003 to assist the advisory council in providing financial control and stability to the Assayers Certification Program. To that extent it has been quite successful and this will be evident from the treasurers report.

Two scholarship were awarded in 2006 and two more are expected to be awarded in 2007.

Our Board of Examiners for the Assayers Certification Program continue to work hard in their roles. Although 2006 provided no new certified assayers the number of people now in position to write their exams in 2007 is at a recent historical high. It is imperative that the commercial laboratories and industry provide leadership in promoting the Certification Program through innovative measures that involve financial assistance, time allocation, on the job training and eventual financial rewards.

The next year will be extremely busy for all of us but we must continue to advance the B.C. Assayers Certification Program vigorously.

Thank you.

*Proposed by and seconded by Mac Chaudhry that the Chair report be accepted.*

**Discussion:** None. Unanimous acceptance of the Chair report as presented.

### **4. Secretary –Treasurer Report (Ray Lett) -**

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Since a Foundation Annual General Meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2006 the Secretary - Treasurer has:

- Assisted Elaine Woo in updating the Assayers Web page on the BCIT web site.
- Registered the Foundation for 2006-07 with the BC Corporate Registry.
- Expedited re-appointment of the Certified Assayers Program Board of Examiners to the Minister of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources for a three year term starting in October, 2006.
- Maintained and updated the Foundation's membership list. There are presently 17 Foundation members including the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, the British Columbia Institute of Technology, the Chair and members of the BC Assayers Certification Program Board of examiners, commercial assay laboratories, equipment suppliers and mining companies.
- Assisted Elaine Woo in arranging for the award of a \$500 graduation achievement scholarship to En Qi Wang, a BCIT student in June 2006.
- Arranged for the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum to sponsor the Canadian Mineral Analysts Annual Meeting with a grant of \$1000.
- Expedited the issue of a \$500 apprentice assayer award to Elgaz Altybayeva at the Canadian Mineral Analysts annual meeting in September, 2006.
- Reinvested \$14,000 of Foundation capital in a one year cashable GIC at 3.25% per annum at RBC. The GIC matures on April 10th, 2007. A balance of \$1,965.31 remains in the current account.

*Proposed by Jim McLeod and seconded by Scott Daniels that the Secretary/Treasurer report be accepted.*

**Vote on the Motion:** Unanimous acceptance of the report as presented.

### **5. Appointment of Directors and Officers**

*Keith Rogers, John Gravel, Ray Lett, Mac Chaudhry, Lloyd Twaites and Jim McLeod nominated by Scott Daniels and seconded by Elaine Woo to continue as directors of the Certified Assayers Foundation of British Columbia.*

*Jim McLeod nominated by Ray Lett and seconded by Keith Rogers as Chair of the Certified Assayers Foundation of British Columbia and Advisory Council, Ray Lett nominated by Jim McLeod and seconded by Keith Rogers as Secretary-Treasurer of the Certified Assayers Foundation of British Columbia and the advisory council.*

**Call for other Nominations:** There were no other nominations. By unanimous consent Jim McLeod is appointed Chair and Ray Lett is re-appointed Secretary/Treasurer of the

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Certified Assayers Foundation of British Columbia. Keith Rogers, Ray Lett, Lloyd Twaites, John Gravel, Jim McLeod and M. Chaudhry are re-appointed directors of the Foundation.

6. **Other Business:** Proposed by Jim McLeod and seconded by John Gravel that Other Business by discussed during the Advisors Council Meeting. Vote on the Motion:  
Unanimous agreement.
  
7. Next meeting of the Annual General Meeting will be held on a future date decided by mutual agreement of Council members.
  
8. Adjournment: Proposed (Mac Chaudhry) and seconded (Paul Morrison) that the Annual General Meeting of the Certified Assayers Foundation of British Columbia be adjourned at 11.58 a.m. April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Accepted Unanimously.

**Chair, Jim McLeod**\_\_\_\_\_

**Secretary, Ray Lett**\_\_\_\_\_