



Minutes of the 89th Annual General Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Ottawa, held at the head office of the Corporation and livestreamed on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, 7:00 p.m., in the Social Hall of the Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private, Ottawa, Ontario K2A 1R9.

Ian Sherman, Chair of the Board, is presiding.

1. Call to Order

Ian Sherman called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.
He welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the 89th Annual General Meeting (AGM).

2. Recognition

Ian acknowledged the presence of members of the board, community Rabbis, agency representatives, corporate sponsors, friends and families, and past chairs of the Federation and thanked them for attending.

3. D'var Torah

Ian invited Rabbi Steven Garten, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Israel of Ottawa, to deliver the D'var Torah, who shared words of Torah and inspiration.

4. Approval of the minutes of the 88th Annual General Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Ottawa, held June 15, 2022.

Ian called for a motion to approve the minutes from the 88th Annual General Meeting.

Gillian Presner **moved, seconded** by Sol Shinder to approve the Minutes of the 88th Annual General Meeting held on June 15, 2022. **Carried.**

5. Approval of Auditors and Acts of Officers & Directors

Ian called for a motion to appoint GGFL as auditors for the Jewish Federation of Ottawa for the fiscal periods ending June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2024.

Dorothy Stern **moved, seconded** by Leila Ages to appoint GGFL as auditors for the fiscal periods ending June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2024. **Carried.**

6. Ian called for a motion to approve the acts of the officers and directors since the June 15, 2022 Annual General Meeting and all acts, contracts, bylaws, proceedings, appointments, elections and payments enacted, made, done and taken by the Directors and Officers are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Lorne Segal **moved, seconded** by Aviva Ben-Choreen to approve the acts of the officers and directors since the June 15, 2022 Annual General Meeting and all acts, contracts, bylaws, proceedings, appointments, elections and payments enacted, made, done and taken by the Directors and Officers are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Carried.

7. Recognition of Annual Campaign Leadership

Josh Engel was thanked and presented with a donation to his family's fund with the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation, in appreciation for his work as co-chair of the 2022 & 2023 Annual Campaigns.

Ian announced that Evelyn Silverman is being joined by co-chair Gary Viner for the 2024 Annual Campaign. Ian recognized the EG Campaign 2023 co-chairs Samantha Sigler, Shlomi Barshan and Jared Jenicek and introduced the EG Campaign 2024 co-chairs John Bitzan and Noga Matana-Bitzan along with Jared Jenicek and his fiancée Michelle Zilbergerts.

8. Recognition of Jewish Communal Professionals

Ian recognized professionals who have worked in the community for more than 20 years and retired this year, Julie Hay, Tinh Ly and Laurie Oakley, and Federation professionals who marked a milestone work anniversary in the past year, Solange Ashe, Paul Berlinguette, Avi Brodksy, Pauline Colwin, Andrea Freedman, Micah Garten, Victor Laguitao and Andrew Spicer.

9. Fireside Chat with Ian Sherman, Karen Palayew & Andrea Freedman

Ian Sherman, Karen Palayew and Andrea Freedman engaged in a conversation and reflected on Federation's challenges, successes and opportunities.

10. Approval of the Nominating Committee Report

Michael Polowin made a motion to approve the Nominating Committee report as presented, **seconded** by Devora Caytak. **Carried.**

11. Outgoing and Incoming Board members

Michael recognized outgoing board member, Harold Feder and thanked him for his many years of dedicated service. Michael then welcomed a new, but returning board member, Danya Vered in the role of Vice-Chair of the Federation board.

12. Freiman Family Young Leadership Award and Lawrence Greenberg Young Adult Leadership Award

Michael introduced this year's Freiman Family Young Leadership Award recipient, Jessica Greenberg. Jessica also received the Lawrence Greenberg Young Leadership Development Award. Michael presented her with the awards along with A.J. Freiman.

13. Rabbi Reuven Bulka Shem Tov Community Volunteer Award

Michael introduced this year's Rabbi Reuven Bulka Shem Tov Community Volunteer Award, Sandra Zagon, and presented her with the award.

14. Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Leadership Award

Michael invited Robert Greenberg to introduce the winner of the Gilbert Greenberg Distinguished Leadership Award, Donna Dolansky, and presented her with the award.

15. Outgoing Chair Recognition

Michael shared appreciation for Ian Sherman's leadership as Federation chair and his unwavering support of the Ottawa Jewish community.

16. Adjournment

Karen Palayew called for a motion of adjournment.

Bernie Dolansky **moved** to adjourn the meeting, **seconded** by Adam Tanner. **Carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.