



VANCOUVER ABORIGINAL CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES SOCIETY

# 2021 VACFSS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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THURSDAY July 8th, 2021 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Via Microsoft (MS) Teams

Come out and meet other members. Door prizes provided for members in attendance.

- Must be a member to attend
- Discuss 2020 goals and achievements
- Review and approve audited financial statements
- Presentation by board nominees
- Presentation by VACFSS Youth Advisory Committee





VANCOUVER ABORIGINAL CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES SOCIETY

Our Children, Our Future, Our Responsibility

May 6th, 2021

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 60 DAY NOTICE

The 2021 Annual General Meeting will take place:

**Thursday July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021** 5:30PM - 7:00PM Via Microsoft (MS) Teams

#### **RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS**

We invite you to help us grow the VACFSS membership. Help us recruit new members and share the membership application with individuals who would be eligible for an associate or voting membership as per section 2.3 and 2.4 of the bylaws. The bylaws are available to view online at: http://www.vacfss.com/join-us/membership/

#### NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your membership over the past year, and to invite you to renew your membership prior to <u>June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021</u>, as per Section 4.5 of the VACFSS bylaws. At this time, we are inviting the VACFSS membership to participate in the nomination process to fill FOUR (4) vacancies on the Board of Directors.

#### **ELIGIBLE NOMINEES**

Nominees for the Board of Directors must comply with the qualification criteria specified in Section 7.2 of the VACFSS bylaws.

#### NOMINATION PROCESS

If you wish to nominate an individual, they must be a member in good standing prior to the close of nominations. Please have the individual sign the nomination form, the letter of consent to a criminal record check, attach a current resume and the names and contact information of three references. When complete, email and mail or deliver the original application to the VACFSS Head Office at: 745 Clark Drive, Vancouver, BC, V5L 3J3. You will be notified upon receipt of your electronic application. **Applications must be received no later than 4:30pm on Friday May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.** The Nominations Committee, according to Section 13.2 of the VACFSS bylaws, will interview nominees on Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The membership will receive notice 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting with the names of the official candidates.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Any questions regarding this process may be addressed to the Public Relations and Communications Associate:

#### **ROBERTA PRATTICÒ**

Vancouver Aboriginal Child & Family Services Society 745 Clark Drive, Vancouver, BC V5L 3J3 604-875-7008 | Roberta\_Prattico@vacfss.com

Encl. Poster Renewal and Membership application form (2 copies) Nominations Form Consent Form

嬓 VACFSS MEMBERSHI	P & RENEWAL FORM
New Membership (due at least 30 day to the next Annual General Meeting at 4:3 as per section 2.6 of the VACFSS Bylaw         Name:         Address:         City:         Telephone:         Email:	oPM) 🛛 next Annual General Meeting at 4:30PM)
Age Range: 🔲 19-30 🔲	31-45 🗖 46-59 🗖 60+
□ Voting Member	Associate Member - non voting
<ul> <li>2.3 Eligibility for Voting Membership</li> <li>A Person may be eligible to be accepted as a Voting Member if he or she: <ul> <li>a. is nineteen (19) years of age or older;</li> <li>b. is Aboriginal;</li> <li>c. is not a client of the Society, nor a parent, foster parent or anyone in loco parentis to a client of the Society;</li> <li>d. if a former client, parent, foster parent or anyone in loco parentis to a client of the Society, has ceased to be so for at least two (2) years prior to making his or her application for membership;</li> <li>e. is not involved in any proceeding pursuant to the Child, Family and Community Services Act of British Columbia;</li> <li>f. is not an employee of the Society, has ceased employee of the Society, has ceased employee of the Society, has ceased employee of the Society or a Spouse or member of the Immediate Family of an employee of the Society;</li> <li>g. if a former employee of the Society at least two (2) years prior to making his or her application for membership;</li> <li>h. is not a director, officer or employee of any agency, association, club, society or organization with which the Society contracts; and</li> <li>i. is interested in advancing the purposes and supporting the activities of the Society.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2.4 Eligibility for Associate Membership</li> <li>A Person may be eligible to be accepted as an Associate Member if he or she: <ul> <li>a. is nineteen (19) years of age or older;</li> <li>b. is not a client of the Society, nor a parent, foster parent or anyone in loco parentis to a client of the Society;</li> <li>c. if a former client, parent, foster parent or anyone in loco parentis to a client of the Society, has ceased to be so for at least two (2) years prior to making his or her application for membership;</li> <li>d. is not be involved in any proceeding pursuant to the Child, Family and Community Services Act of British Columbia;</li> <li>e. is not an employee of the Society, has ceased employment with the Society at least two (2) years prior to making his or her application for membership;</li> <li>f. if a former employee of the Society at least two (2) years prior to making his or her application for membership;</li> <li>g. not be a director, officer or employee of any agency, association, club, society or organization with which the Society contracts; and</li> <li>h. is interested in advancing the purposes and supporting the activities of the Society.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

n case of any ambiguity or doubt as to whether an applicant for voting membership is eligible, suc ambiguity or doubt will be resolved by the Directors and their decision will be final and binding. **(Continued on next page)** 



VACFSS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (continued)

Please tell us why you want to become a Member of VACFSS, and how you believe you can contribute to the Society:

I confirm that:

- 1. This application is complete in all respects.
- 2. I will comply with the Society Act, the Constitution and Bylaws of VACFSS, any rules and policies made by VACFSS, and any rules of order governing the conduct of General Meetings of VACFSS.
- 3. I have read the eligibility and exclusion criteria in section 2.3 (a-i) and 2.4(a-h) and confirm that my application is complete to the best of my knowledge.
- 4. I have enclosed or INTERAC e-Transferred the Annual Membership Dues of \$5.00
  - a. For INTERAC e-Transfers, please send your dues to payments@vacfss.com. If your bank requires a question and answer, please use any form of '*What is this for*' for your question, and '*membership*' for your answer.

\*Inquiries may be addressed to Roberta\_Prattico@vacfss.com or 604.875.7008\*

Sig	nature: Date:
Office Use Only	Date Received:
	Date Reviewed:
	Date Approved/Declined:
	Signature of Director/Membership Committee Member:
	Signature of Director/Membership Committee Member:



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have been nominated to the Vancouver Aboriginal Child and Family Services Society (VACFSS) Board of Directors and confirm consent to a criminal record check to confirm my eligibility as a Director as per part 7.2 of the VACFSS Bylaws – Qualification for Director, as outlined on the nominations form.

Once my nomination has been confirmed to stand, I understand I will be contacted for an interview and that VACFSS will contact the individuals I have identified as my references on my nomination form. I have read and agree with the Nomination process described in Part 13 of the VACFSS Bylaws.

#### VACFSS BYLAW 13 – Nominating Committee

#### 13.1 Requirement to Establish a Nominating Committee

The Board will annually establish a Nominating Committee the purpose of which is to facilitate the nomination of candidates to stand for election as Directors. The Nominating Committee must include at least one Voting Member and at least one Director whose term is not expiring at the next following annual general meeting.

#### 13.2 Duties of Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee must:

- (a) solicit and receive nominations from Voting Members;
- (b) review all information submitted by nominees and ensure it is truthful and complete;
- (c) interview all nominees;
- (d) rank the nominees based on skills, experience, education, employment history, and ability to contribute as Directors, and report this to the Directors immediately subsequent to the date upon which nominations close; and
- (e) ensure that the number of nominees equals or exceeds the number of anticipated vacancies.

The Nominating Committee may refuse to bring forward a nomination.

#### 13.3 Timeline for Nominations

The Nominating Committee must:

- (a) set a date for the close of nominations for the election of Directors each year, which date must be at least forty
   (40) days before the annual general meeting; and
- (b) at least sixty (60) days before the annual general meeting, give notice to all Voting Members of the date for the close of nominations.

#### 13.4 Required Form for Nominations

Nominations must be in writing in a form approved by the Nominating Committee and must be signed by at least two Members.

On the application form a nominee must:

- (a) confirm in writing the matters set out in Bylaw 7.2.;
- (b) provide to the Nominating Committee the names of at least three (3) references and contact information for those references;
- (c) provide a resume;
- (d) consent to a criminal record check;
- (e) consent to the Society obtaining a prior contact check of the nominee from the Ministry of Children and Family Development or its agents;
- (f) disclose all personal, employment and business relationships with the Society and its employees, suppliers, contractors and Directors;
- (g) disclose all conflicts between the nominee's personal interests and those of the Society;
- (h) disclose any conflicts of interest as soon as they arise; and
- *(i)* comply with the Constitution and Bylaws and any policies set by the Directors.

#### 13.5 Notice to Voting Members

The Nominating Committee must, with the notice of the annual general meeting, send to all Voting Members:

- (a) the names of all approved nominees;
- (b) confirmation that each nominee is eligible in accordance with the criteria described in Bylaw 7.2; and
- (c) the number of positions to be filled, and the terms of the positions.

#### 13.6 Guidelines and Endorsement

The Directors may:

- (a) create policies relating to the nominations process and elections; and
- (b) endorse nominees.



In order for my nomination to be accepted by the VACFSS Board of Directors, I am aware that I will have to meet stated VACFSS Bylaw requirements and attend an interview via Microsoft Teams with the Nomination Committee on Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at **5:30pm**.

Nominee Signature:		
Name (please print):	 	 
Witness Signature		
Name (please print):		

		Date Received:	
X		Date Reviewed:	
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te Us		Date Approved/Declined:	
Offic	Signature of Director/Mem	bership Committee Member:	
	Signature of Director/Mem	bership Committee Member:	



## 2021 NOMINATION FORM

#### For the Nominator

I,		, a voting member in good standing, nominate
		residing at
		to the VACFSS Board of Directors.
Telepl	hone:	Email:
Nomii	nator Signature	
For th	e Nominee	
	This application is complete in all respect	nstitution and Bylaws of VACFSS, any rules and policies made by VACFSS,
I,		, understand that I have been nominated to the
VACF	SS Board of Directors and agree to s	, understand that I have been nominated to the stand if elected.
Nomii	nee Signature	Date:
VACFS	S BYLAW 7.2 - QUALIFICATIONS OF DIR	ECTORS
Pursua she:	nt to the Act, a Person may not be nominat	ed, elected or appointed to serve (or continue to serve) as a Director if he or
(a) (b) (c) (d)	is an undischarged bankrupt; or	elsewhere, to be incapable of managing his or her own affairs; within the prescribed period, for which no pardon has been granted, in
	ddition to the foregoing, a Person may not b or she:	e nominated, elected or appointed to serve (or continue to serve) as a Director if
(e) (f)	is not a Voting Member in good standing; is either an employee of the Society or eng value of \$20,000 or more;	aged as a contractor for services with the Society with an aggregate annual

- (g) is a Spouse or member of such Person's Immediate Family who is a Director;
- (h) is, or has been within the preceding five (5) years, a party to proceedings under the Child , Family and Community Services Act of British Columbia;
- (i) is, or has been within the preceding five (5) years, the subject of an investigation or proceeding under Part 3 of the Child, Family and Community Services Act of British Columbia; or
- (j) is, or has been within the preceding two (2) years, convicted under the Criminal Code of Canada of any summary conviction offence; or
- (k) is convicted under the Criminal Code of Canada of an indictable sexual offence.



All nominations must be received by Friday May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4:30pm that include the following:

- signed consent form
- resume
- name and contact information of three (3) references

		Letter of consent	Date Received:	
		Resume	Date Reviewed:	
e On		References	Date Approved/Declined:	
Office Use Only	Signature of Director/Membership Committee Member:		rector/Membership Committee Member:	
	Signature of Director/Membership Committee Member:			