

Canadian Congenital Heart Alliance

Annual General Meeting

November 29, 2016





Agenda

1. Welcome
 - Call to order
 - Determination of quorum
 - Appointment of recording secretary
 - Proof of notice of Meeting
2. Approval - 2015 AGM Minutes
3. President's report
4. Chapter reports
5. Audited Financial Statements - Dec. 31, 2015 + Auditor's Report
6. Appointment of Auditor and Accountant of 2016-2017
7. Thank you - 2016 Board - and Election of Directors - 2017
8. New business
9. 2017
10. Adjournment



Canadian Congenital Heart Alliance (CCHA) – Founded 2004

OUR MISSION:

To improve the quality of life and health outcomes for individuals with congenital heart defects: by raising awareness, providing peer support and mentoring, advocacy, and advancing research.



Objectives - Canadian Congenital Heart Alliance (CCHA) include:



- Raising awareness of congenital heart defects (CHD) and the CCHA within the congenital population, medical community, government, and public
- Provide peer support, mentoring and outreach programs to patients and families
- Advance congenital heart disease-related research
- Raise money to achieve financial self-sufficiency and fund CCHA initiatives

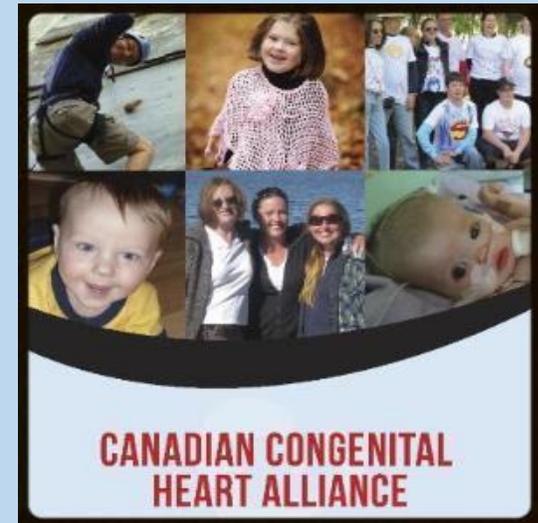
Welcome

- ✓ 'Call to order'
- ✓ Determination of quorum
- ✓ Recording Secretary Appointment

Proof of notice of meeting

Circulated via email - November 8 and 12, 2016

and posted on website cchaforlife.org





Approval of Minutes - 2015 AGM

Available on line @ cchaforlife.org



President's Report

Eric Gonneau



2016 - CCHA accomplishments



- Professional Advisory Committee formed under Stella Cockett
 - formally Medical Advisory Committee
- Joined *Canadian Coalition for Genetic Fairness*
- Attended the *Canadian Cardiovascular Congress* – Montreal
- Contact @ Provincial Health Ministries
 - patient record keeping and disability grants

2016 - accomplishments for CCHA (continued)



- Worked with Children's Hospital Eastern Ontario (CHEO) with ~\$200,000 – 'Fearless Activity' proposal
- Labatt Family Heart Centre Family Conference
- \$55,000 from McCormicks (London) - research at London Health Sciences
- \$12,000 cheque - Pefferlaw District A-16 Lioness Club
- Donation from Georgian Bay Regatta - \$1,000
- \$\$ from new book (2017) - <http://targetpracticebook.com/>

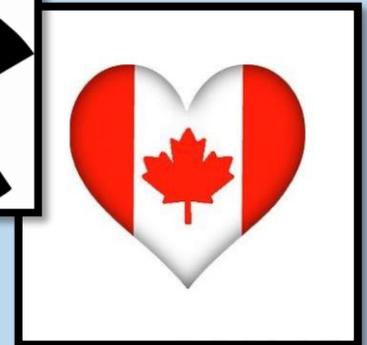
2016 - accomplishments for CCHA (continued)

- ‘Beat Retreat’ – biggest one yet
- ‘Warriors Walk’- B.C.;
- ‘Walk of Life’ - Toronto
- ‘Ottawa Race Weekend’
- Increased focus upon fundraising



Chapter Reports

London, British Columbia, Eastern Ontario



London Chapter

- London City Hall lit **red** - CHD Awareness in February
- Multiple interviews on local radio
- CCHA display at London Health Sciences Centre - centre atrium
 - CTV London interview
- worked with McCormicks and LHSC cardiology team for Charity Day
- three presentations on CCHA and CHD at McCormick's general meeting
- cheque presentation at Children's Health Foundation - McCormicks - \$55 000



BC Chapter

- Conducted the 3rd annual Congenital Heart Warriors Walk - increased participants.
- The Congenital Heart Warriors Walk
 - 1st Year (2014) - 106 people - \$3,448.15 raised
 - 2nd Year (2015) - 121 people - \$3,075.00
 - 3rd year (2016) - 168 people - \$3,996.00
 - Support from local businesses and from communities/residents growing each year
- Presented at the '**Unique Hearts, Unique Lives**' conference - St. Paul's Hospital



Eastern Ontario Chapter

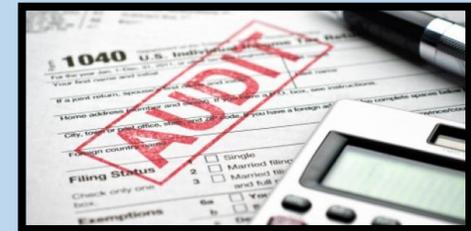


- 5 new members
- Ottawa Race Weekend - big success - \$5,500 + signed up for May 2017
- Participated with:
 - Health and Wellness fair to raise awareness (2017)
 - Graduate Program Committee - @ Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario and University of Ottawa Heart Institute
 - Ottawa Heart Support and Alumni Group
 - Adult Congenital Clinic, CHEO and the Support Group.
- Presented @ Ottawa Heart Support Group - Dr. Gyaandeo Maharajh,
- Working with CHEO + YMCA – '2017 Cardiology Camp'

Audited Financial Statements

Fiscal year ended December 31, 2015

Auditor's Report



2015 – Independent Auditor's Report

Available online @ cchforlife.org

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thank
you

to our 2016 CCHA Board members

Toby Cox

Eric Gonneau

Saad Minhas

Stella Cockett

Jordan Heir

Mark Myers

Jennifer Graham

Joanna Hunt

Krista Vriend

Election of New Directors 2017 – 2019 term



- Comprised of 11 directors
- each with a three-year appointment
- 3 or 4 new directors each year

The Board delegated search process
to Board Members - Jordan, Joanna and Eric

Notice posted - September 10 with October 10 deadline

- Roles and responsibilities
- Phone interviews done with candidates not previously on Board



Selection Process – new Board members

Based upon criteria such as:

- Geographic representation
- male/female – patient/parent/spouse/sibling
- medical professional / education / work
- leadership qualities
- time available
- knowledge of CCHA activities
- previous non-profit board experience and other activities



Recommended new Board member

Christina Ding - Montréal



- Co-Founder and Co-President - 'Heart 4 Heart'
 - charity for surgeries - children with CHD - developing countries.
- A trilingual graduate in Management and Neuroscience at McGill
- Project Manager at Trois Prime, a digital health agency.

Recommended to be re-elected following completion of three-year term

Jennifer Graham - Toronto

- An active participant @ CCHA since 2006
- Chaired the Fundraising Committee
- Served as Board Secretary
- Graduate - Carleton U. - B.Sc. Hon. – Biology/Psychology
- CHD patient



Recommended new Board member

Robbyn McLellan - Guelph

- Human Resources professional with Cooperators Insurance
- Served on several Boards and HR Committees
- Born with a Congenital Heart Defect (TOF)



Recommended new Board member

Sandra Zimmerman Mahoney - Ottawa

- Elementary school teacher with 3 children
- Daughter – born with CHD - 2014
- Ottawa Chapter member
- Parental liaison @ Social Work Cardiology Department – CHEO
- Started ‘A Rose for Hearts’ to support other ‘Heart Moms’



All CCHA members eligible
to vote for the four new Directors



Recommended slate - CCHA Board 2017



New three-year term

- Christina Ding
- Jennifer Graham
- Sandra Zimmerman Mahoney
- Robbyn McLellan

Continuing directors

- Stella Cockett (2 years remaining)
- Toby Cox (2 years remaining)
- Eric Gonneau (1 year remaining)
- Jordan Heir (2 years remaining)
- Joanna Hunt (2 years remaining)
- Saad Minhas (1 year remaining)
- Krista Vriend (1 year remaining)

Election



2017 Board of Directors

New business?



Next year ...

- Continue to follow the Strategic Plan adopted last year
- Create monthly newsletter
- Speak at numerous CHD events and patient conferences
- Secure funding for expanded Beat Retreat camps and conferences
- Host more 'meet and great' seminars
- Fundraise
- Work in partnership with other groups
- Enhanced media coverage
- Investigate 'Beat Retreats' in other locations



What can you do to help?

- Become a member of CCHA
 - (it's free) www.cchaforlife.org
- Spread the message
 - importance of support/CHD patients/families
- Donate \$\$ to further CCHA
- Volunteer

www.cchaforlife.org/volunteer





for all your support ...

2017 here we come ...



Adjournment

