

PMI SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN CHAPTER

HELD ONLINE - ON JULY 29, 2021, AT 7:00PM

Attendance recorded:

Board Members

H. Harnarine Maharaj
Immediate Past President

Glynis Alexander-Tam
Magnus Wilson
Alicia Garcia-Pedro
President
VP – Finance
VP – Publications

Janelle KowlessarVP – Technical Sessions

John Lewis - VP – Marketing & Sponsorship

Simone De SouzaVP - Membership

Cassandra Ramkerrysingh - VP - Special Events & Volunteerism

Shelly-Anne De Silva
Margaret Ann De Peza
Ava Cunningham-Riley
Ianice Koylass-Abraham
VP - Compliance
VP - Strategic
VP - Education
Corporate Secretary

PMI SCC Members

Gyasi Ambrose

Marissa Archibald

Alston Benjamin

Rattan Boodram

Wesley Bridgemohansingh

Michael Charles

Christopher Cole

Shantal Deonarine

Peterson Dukhan

Christopher Farquhar

Kamau Fletcher

Lauren Francis

Vaughn Halliday

Mark Hopkins

Natalie Hudson

Cynthia James-Cramer

Anthony John-Baptiste

Debra Johnson

Graham Lewis

Anasa London

Elizabeth Mc Intyre

Robbie Ragbar

Rupert Ramharack

Kamla Rampersad-De Silva

Narayan Ramtahal

Bernadette Roberts

Allan Samaroo

Resha Seeram

Ayodhya Singh

Shaina Smith-Archer

Daren Sookoo

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Eighteenth (18th) Annual General Meeting of the PMI Southern Caribbean Chapter, which was held online on 29th July, 2021 commenced at 7:08pm and was called to order by Ms. Shelly-Ann De Silva, VP Compliance.

2.0 READING OF THE NOTICE CONVENING MEETING

VP Compliance welcomed all members present to the 18th Annual General Meeting and invited the Corporate Secretary to read the Notice dated 28th June, 2021 which had been published in the Trinidad Guardian on Tuesday 29th June, 2021 and identified the Board positions which had become vacant.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF 17th A.G.M MINUTES

The Minutes, having been published on the PMI SCC's website, a motion was moved for members to adopt the Minutes of the $17^{\rm th}$ Annual General Meeting. Magnus Wilson moved a motion to adopt the Minutes, and this was seconded by Kamla Rampersad- De Silva.

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

There were no matters of business arising out of the Minutes.

5.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President welcomed everyone to the second Annual General Meeting that was being held online. She also took the opportunity to recognize the passing of Past President, Ms. Cynthia Hayes and advised that there would be a tribute at the end of the presentations.

She advised that the Board of PMI SCC continues to hopefully defeat challenges and constantly re-invents the delivery process to try and appease our main customers, being the members. She also advised that online AGM is the way forward as it attracts easy in administration, as well as, an increase in participation.

She thanked those members of the Board "who stepped up as a team and have proved yeoman service over the last year." She emphasized that one of the main goals of PMI SSC is to focus on the customer, namely the members, who reached out for the services that would assist them in the pursuit of their careers.

She also expressed great gratitude to the Volunteer program which introduced project management into the schools and in so doing has achieved one of the long outstanding goals of PMI SCC. The President articulated how proud the Board was

of this accomplishment which would not have been possible without the hard work of the volunteers and thanked the volunteers for such.

The President advised that Mr. Selris Mahabir is now the PMI SCC's Youth & Social Impact Liaison under the PMIEF umbrella providing the link between PMI EF and PMI SCC. Additionally, she advised that the Chapter also joined with IIL CAP Programme which gives all members discounts on all IIL events and training.

The President reminded members to visit the website frequently as PMI SCC has been updating same regularly as this is the new means of interacting with the membership during the pandemic.

The President then on behalf of the Board of Directors extended her thanks to all volunteers who have worked extremely hard over the past year, as well as CEP Limited and other supporters of the Chapter.

6.0 FINANCIALS AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

VP Finance, Mr. Magnus Wilson, advised that the auditor had a last minute, medical emergency and was unable to attend and he would therefore be reading the auditor's report on her behalf.

The Chapter received membership dues totaling \$77,088. Revenue from Conference was \$275,028. The Chapter's bank balance as at the end of September was \$725,147.

7.0 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Chairperson identified the five (5) positions that were to be vacated and expressed her gratitude to Board members who were demitting office for their very diligent and committed service and contribution to the PMI SCC. She indicated that five (5) positions needed to be filled and at the close of nominations five nominations had been received.

- 1. VP Compliance, Mr. Rupert Ramharack, was nominated by Ms. Ayesha David and seconded by Mrs. Natalie Mills-Hudson unopposed.
- 2. VP Marketing and Sponsorship, Mr. John Lewis, nominated by Ms. Janelle Kowlessar and seconded by Mrs. Margaret Ann De Peza unopposed.
- 3. VP Publications, Ms. Debra Johnson, was nominated by Mrs. Glynis Alexander-Tam and seconded by Mr. Magnus Wilson unopposed.
- 4. VP Strategic Alliance, Ms. Margaret Ann De Peza, was nominated by Mr. Magnus Wilson and seconded by Mrs. Glynis Alexander-Tam unopposed.
- 5. VP Technical Session, Ms. Janelle Kowlessar, nominated by Ms. Kamla Rampersad- De Silva and seconded by Mr. Vince Ramlochan unopposed.

Elections were as follows:

POSITION	NOMINEES	NO. OF VOTES
VP Compliance	Rupert Ramharack	Unopposed
VP Marketing and Sponsorship	John Lewis	Unopposed
VP Publications	Debra Johnson	Unopposed
VP Strategic Alliance	Margaret Ann De Peza	Unopposed
VP Technical Session	Janelle Kowlessar	Unopposed

The VPs all expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve.

8.0 **APPOINT AUDITORS FOR 2021 - 2022**

The VP Finance tabled a Motion for the Board of Directors to appoint the auditors for the next financial period. The motion was carried with twenty-three (23) out of thirty-nine (39) members voting for the appointment.

9.0 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The President in closing again thanked the volunteers for the work done and the work they continue to do. She asked that members visit the website and give of their time so that the next generation of Project Managers can be encouraged on the way forward. She also thanked the outgoing Board members for their contributions and wished them all the best in the future.

The President acknowledged Ms. Shelly-Ann De Silva and Ms. Janelle Kowlessar for initiating, planning, and executing a successful event.

The President closed that Annual General Meeting paying tribute to Ms. Cynthia Hayes and allowed attendees to express their memories and any words they wanted to share to pay tribute and honor the Past President.

Finally, in closing she reminded new Board Members that there is a lot of work ahead and "good work is rewarded with more work" especially as we build the PMI SCC within this region. She also reminded the attendees that the Biennial Conference will be taking place later in the year. Persons can visit all social media and the PMI SCC website for updates and more information.