

Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project (NSRAP)

Board meeting by Zoom – 17 June 2026; 7:00 pm

Present

Truelee Love
Daniel MacKay
Alanna MacNevin

Robin Metcalfe (Zoom host; minutes)
Schuyler “Sky” H Smith (Chair)
Regrets: Scott Gillard

Informal Updates

Truelee noted a reception on 24 June in the Red Room at the legislature, open to anyone, including Elderberries and the Wayves editorial board, with a total capacity of 60. Lisa Lachance can book the room for free as an MLA.

Minutes

In business arising, Alanna confirmed her willingness to serve as Vice President, with mentoring support from Sky and Robin.

Dan moved, and Truelee seconded, acceptance of the minutes. Agreed by consensus.

Chair's Report

Sky now has access to the NSRAP email and all files, including the final report of NSRAP's last staff person, dated 2023. There were no staff in 2024 or 2025. Sky will review Google Drive files and share relevant documents with the Board, and email Board members about their skill sets and identities for the Board file.

Sky proposed asking a contact at TD Bank about possible sponsorships, once we have decided upon projects. Robin noted that there may be objections within the community to bank sponsorships, given their alleged complicity with Israel's actions in Gaza and the West Bank.

Sky moved, and Dan seconded, acceptance of the Chair's report. Agreed by consensus.

Treasurer's Report

Dan reported that NSRAP has \$ 16,404.98 in the bank. This represents the balance as of May 2024, minus 25 monthly service fees of \$ 4.00 each.

Dan noted that there had been several purchases of electronics – a data projector, a powered speaker – that have depreciated in value for several years. He moved, Robin seconded, that we consider their respective values to be zero. Agreed by consensus.

Dan reported the following liabilities:

whatasite.ca for 3 years web-hosting	\$ 776.88
Dan for payment to Register of Joint Stocks	\$ 31.15
Suzanne Litke or payment to Register of Joint Stocks	\$ 31.15
Glitter Bean catering for meeting 14 January 2026	\$ 150.00
TOTAL	\$ 989.18

Dan noted that Glitter Bean had not invoiced us for the catering for 14 January, and that his figure of \$ 150.00 is his estimate.

Dan moved, Alanna seconded, acceptance of the Treasurer's Report. Agreed by consensus.

Signing Authority

(as previously circulated by email)

Truelee Love moved, Alanna MacNevin seconded: Be it resolved that Schuyler Smith, Robin Metcalfe and Daniel MacKay be designated signing authorities for NSRAP's RBC bank account,

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In discussion, it was noted that the signatories are to present themselves at the RBC Waterside Centre branch at 1871 Hollis Street in Halifax.

Robin is to compose a letter of direction on NSRAP letterhead, addressed to Niqué Mitchell at RBC, certifying the motion as a true resolution duly passed by the Board of Directors.

Resolution agreed by consensus.

Secretary

Dan boxes of earlier records from the organisation. Most of these are financial, but to the extent they are correspondence, etc, Robin should set up a time to review them.

Communications

Truelee has been trying to get access to the organisation's social media accounts. Sky will send log-ins for Instagram, Twitter/X, etc. The Mail Chimp account has been closed. Sky will reach out to Kristina Wakfer, who has access to the Facebook account, to ask to be made an administrator. Sky will review NSRAP emails for actionable items, and set up NSRAP emails for Board members.

Board Recruitment

Robin identified two prospects interested in serving on the Board, from outside the Halifax area: Rune Black in Pictou and Winter Cullen in Sydney. Sky has met Winter. Among the criteria for recruitment, we identified a goal of having 50% non-binary or Trans directors, and people with professional experience in law and finance. Sky proposed that we allocate money for hiring a recruiter. Dan so moved, and Truelee seconded. Agreed by consensus.

We can have up to ten people on the Board. Robin will ask Rune and Winter for applications. Sky will create onboarding documentation and a skill set survey for prospective Board members, look for a suitable recruiting firm and report back at the next meeting.

Next Meeting

Sky recommended that we meet monthly until the organisation is fully operational. Alanna moved, and Truelee seconded, that the next meeting be held Monday, 27 July at 5 pm, to be followed by a social gathering at 6 pm, at the Glitter Bean. Agreed by consensus. Dan will reach out to the Glitter Bean to confirm the site. An invitation is to be sent to Raine Sparling, HRM's Coordinator 2SLGBTQ+ /Gender Equity Community; but not at this point to Rune Black or Winter Cullen.

Communications continued

Truelee requested photos and bios of Board members for use on social media.

There is an email list from 2011. We could contact people on that list and ask them if they wish to be on a current list. We might also collect new contacts through upcoming Pride events. Truelee is attending many rural Pride events as part of her work for Lisa Lachance.

Sky wondered about putting out a press release about our relaunch as an organisation. It was generally agreed that September would be a better time for a relaunch than July or August.

By-Laws etc

Dan shared a link to the By-Laws in the chat. Sky has a "policy manual" for the organisation, and will provide a link to it.

Adjournment

Dan moved, Truelee seconded, a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.