

FVISS 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Meeting Minutes



Wednesday November 26th, 2025

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Attendance:

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| 1) Kathy Ma Green | FVISS Executive Director |
| 2) Erica Mulder | FVISS Outreach Coordinator |
| 3) Jocelyn Rahnborn | FVISS Field Programs Coordinator |
| 4) Megumi Metcalfe | FVISS Program Assistant |
| 5) Victoria Brookes | FVISS Chair, Retired AAFC Agassiz |
| 6) Nichole Marples | FVISS Treasurer, LEPS |
| 7) Alida Janmaat | FVISS Director, UFV Biology |
| 8) Janne Perrin | FVISS Director, Miami River Streamkeepers |
| 9) Steve Clegg | FVISS Director, S.A.Y. Lands |
| 10) Terisha Bailey | FVISS Director, AAFC Agassiz |
| 11) Aysha McConkey | FVISS Director, BC Bats, Wildlife Artist |
| 12) Vanessa Hart | FVISS Director, Sto:lo Resource and Research
Management Centre (SRRMC) |
| 13) Dirk Lewis | Morrow Bioscience |
| 14) Bob Drinkwater | Drinkwater Environmental Services |
| 15) Jillian Stewart | Seabird Island Band |
| 16) Christy Jones | City of Abbotsford |
| 17) Rene Roddick | BC Hydro |
| 18) Derek Hogan | BC Ministry of Forests |
| 19) Eli Ross | Fraser Valley Regional District |
| 20) Rachel Drennan | Fraser Valley Watershed Coalition |
| 21) Erin Galloway | Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council |
| 22) Lovenia Morton | Township of Langley |
| 23) Brennen Lessick | Township of Langley |
| 24) Justin St Andrassy | Township of Langley |
| 25) Todd Kohler | Department of National Defence |
| 26) Shea Carson | Department of National Defence |
| 27) David Clements | Trinity Western University, The Knotweed Lab |
| 28) Cameron Dean | Urban Bounty Home & Garden Services |
| 29) Jacob Fuerst | University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) |
| 30) Maddox Dickson | University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) |
| 31) Devandra Tamang | University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) |

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Start of Meeting: 10:00 AM

1) Welcome, introductions and housekeeping

2) Begin AGM

- Motion to start meeting: Terisha Bailey; Seconded: Nichole Marples
- Motion carried by majority.

3) Accept the Agenda for 2025 AGM

- Motion to accept: David Clements; Seconded: Alida Janmaat
- Motion carried by majority.

4) Adopt 2024 AGM Minutes

- Motion to adopt: Janne Perrin; Seconded: Nichole Marples
- Motion carried by majority.

5) Report from the Chair

Victoria Brookes, FVISS Chair

- Thank you to Kathy (FVISS) and other staff for their work, along with the guidance and expertise of the volunteer board members.
- Particular thanks to the departing board members, Steve Clegg and Ken Schwaerzle.

6) Report of Financial Statement

Nichole Marples, FVISS Treasurer

- Presentation of finalized 2024 Financial Statement (January to December 2024) and Financial Report year to date (January to November 2025)
- Motion to approve: Nichole Marples; Seconded: Terisha Bailey
- Motion carried by majority. Financial report was approved as presented.

7) 2025 FVISS Update – Operational and Field Programs, Education and Outreach Programs

Kathy Ma, FVISS Executive Director

Jocelyn Rahnborn, FVISS Field Programs Coordinator

Erica Mulder, FVISS Outreach Coordinator

- 2025 year in review, updates from outreach program, education resources development, incentive programs, operational field work, invasive species surveys and monitoring, and other invasive species projects
- Thank you to staff members and their hard work this year.
- Thank you to our 2025 funders.

8) Presentation – Invasive Plants and Chilliwack Creek Restoration along the Ts'lhímexósem (Going for a Walk Together) Trail

Steve Clegg: Land Stewardship Manager, S.A.Y. Lands

9) Election of Board of Directors

- Thank you for the time, expertise and commitment of the two departing board members:
 - Steve Clegg
 - Ken Schwaerzle
- Proposed board members for 2026:
 - Victoria Brookes (Retired AAFC Agassiz)
 - Nichole Marples (Langley Environmental Partnership Society)
 - Alida Janmaat (UFV Biology)
 - Janne Perrin (Miami River Streamkeepers)
 - Terisha Bailey (AAFC Agassiz)
 - Aysha McConkey (BC Bats, Wildlife Artist)
 - Vanessa Hart (SRRMC)
 - Jillian Stewart (Seabird Island)
- Motion to accept: David Clements; Seconded: Todd Kohler
 - Motion carried by majority. 2026 Board of Directors accepted.

10) New Business/Announcements from Members

- None raised

11) Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn FVISS 2025 Annual General Meeting: Terisha Bailey; Seconded: Janne Perrin
- Motion carried.

Time adjourned: 12:00 PM