KINESIS DANCE SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING June 17, 2024

Dance Centre, Board Room, 6th floor, 677 Davie Street, Vancouver, BC

AGM MINUTES

Attendees: Rachel Helten, Carline Dolmazon, Linda Rosenheck, Janet Joy, Alina Sotskova, Kaia Shukin. **Via GoogleMeet:** Clémence Beurton, Sylvia Nguyen, Wendy Kao, Andrea Van der Ree, Paras Terezakis, Denis Blais, Alex Zaia, Martin Chabannes, Benjamin Rabaste, Christine Chardon. **Via Proxy:** Mitch Helten. **Regrets:** Leslie Burke-Flynn

- 1. AGM was called to order at 12:30 pm
- 2. Minutes from last year's AGM were approved.
- 3. Review of past year's work

Carline reviewed the focus of the past year's work, which was to:

- Develop outreach projects, usually in the form of workshops (e.g. weekly classes at Francophone schools)
- Develop & pursue funding for new projects (Artemis' Embrace and Bright Shadows)
- Transition to Rachel Helten as the new director
- Carline & Rachel pursued a lot of DEI training (diversity, equity, and inclusion), with special focus on indigenous relationships.

The team continues to apply for funding through a wide range of sources, from federal to local funders.

Rachel described the Generations project for seniors, for which she wrote a New Horizons grant. This is built around a modular dance score, created to be adaptable so that it can be performed for very small or large groups. For example, in seniors care residences, a resident may not have the mobility to attend a theatre performance. With the adaptable format, dancers can perform for residents where they are—even in their rooms.

Rachel described other projects that she is exploring, including:

- Using immersive technology to create an immersive piece in which audiences will influence the performance. Other explorations include
- working with Lobe, a 4-D music space with speakers above, below, and around
- Working with film students
- Collaborating with a poet.
- 4. Financial statement was presented, noting that year's starting position is stronger than last year. Members approved the Financial statement.
- 5. The following new Board Members were elected: Alina Sotskova, Sylvia Nguyen, Wendy Kao, Andrea Van der Ree. Leslie will remain on the board for the time being, but will step down as chair.
- 6. The AGM was adjourned at 1:10 pm