

Executive Meeting

April 7, 2026

Attendees:

- Ernest Biktimirov
- Cindy Barrett
- Jim Chalmers
- Jason Reding
- Ann Marie Towell

Guests:

- Cassie Holden (Aquarists Society of Metro Vancouver)
- Serena (Aquarists Society of Metro Vancouver)
- Brian Glazier (Hamilton & District Aquarium Society)

Discussion with the Aquarists Society of Metro Vancouver

- Cassie and Serena joined and provided an update on the status about the Aquarists Society of Metro Vancouver.
- They attempted to revive the old club in the area however were unsuccessful in contacting any of the former board members.
- Currently working on setting up a bank account and have had about 20 people come out for the last couple meet ups.
- Interested in the insurance coverage and resources that CAOAC can provide.
- Also very interested in learning different ways of growing the club and getting things out there – Jim, Cindy, Ernest and Jason discussed different methods their own clubs have taken such as advertising online, getting an online presence and supporting a local tank in a school or library

After the discussion they thanks us and departed the meeting.

Ann Marie joined the meeting.

The executive then discussed the upcoming General meeting on April 13, 2026 and the agenda associated with it.

- Provide a financial update and ONCA compliance
- Discuss the changes to the bylaws and reasoning behind them
- Discuss the AGM in June and that elections will be held then
- Nominee for the Steering Chairperson.
- Discuss the scheduling guidelines

Ernest will prepare the agenda and send to Cindy to be distributed to the member clubs

Jim to reach out to Bob to let him know he will have to talk about his qualifications and whatnot

Brian joined the meeting to reintroduce himself as the Judge Chairman and let us know the status of the judges group.

- Currently he has more judges than he has shows – presently there is 7 judges.
- Don't need any more judges need more shows. He is aware that Peel has cancelled their show.
- Main judges are Brian and Udo - Udo is the cichlid guy & Biran is the livebearer specialist
- To discuss at a future meeting about how to promote the shows and get clubs hosting them again

Approved by CAOAC Executive on April 23, 2026.