

# Notice of Annual General Meeting



*Etobicoke, Ontario, Monday, July 17, 2023*

COPA National's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held online at 6 pm Eastern Time, on September 7, 2023.

We invite members and interested parties to [register now to attend](#).

The following items are on the agenda:

- Welcome
- Establish Quorum
- Territorial Acknowledgment
- Reading and Approval of Agenda
- Reading and Approval of Minutes from the Previous AGM (April 21, 2022)
- President's Report
- Report on Activities
- Approval of Audited Financial Statements at March 31, 2023

- Appointment of Auditing Firm for Fiscal Year 2023-2024
- Appointment of Legal Counsel
- Report of the Nominating Committee
- Ratification or Election of Members of the 2023-2024 Board of Directors
- Adjournment of the Meeting

Following a meeting held on July 4, the Nominating Committee will not be recommending the election of any new directors to the Board of Directors. Instead, it will recommend earlier ratification of the sitting members, for the following reasons:

- The Nominating Committee believes that it is important to revise *l'article 5 (Membres des Règlements)* of the organization by-laws to allow for membership of organizations rather than individual members in order to reflect the practice of other national Francophone organizations in Canada and ensure more efficient management of membership.
- The Nominating Committee plans to revise the section of by-laws relating to the composition of the Board of Directors to ensure greater national representation. It would have nine (9) members, including at least three (3) from Ontario, one (1) from Atlantic Canada and one (1) from Western Canada.
- Once the by-laws have been revised, COPA National will call a special meeting to adopt the amended versions.

*"The Board of Directors worked steadily during the past year to hire a new Executive Director, update policies, adopt a macro-agenda, and develop a risk management grid. All this was done at the same time as overseeing the auditing of two financial years: the first ending September 30, 2022, and the second ending March 31, 2023. We look forward to presenting the work accomplished at the Annual General Meeting. "*

Mona Audet, President

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*The mission of [COPA National](#) is to prevent and interrupt violence, bullying, and child abuse on individual, organizational, and systemic levels by offering simple and effective tools and resources that promote positive social change.*

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