



CADS Alberta – Board Special Meeting Minutes

Date	Board Meeting Tuesday, August 4, 2026 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Location	Zoom Meeting: Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87809852765?pwd=sIRdbJv6KLqGFGBSXeMbUoZso0gUef.1 Meeting ID: 878 0985 2765 Passcode: 966724

1. Call to Order and Role Call (Meeting started 7:09 pm)

Attending: Angela, Kirk, Tony V., Tony C., Kiera, Eldon, Spencer, Adam, Kiera, Adria, Ozzie

Regrets: Sharon, Chris, Alan

2. Review and approval of Agenda.

Topic is discussion in preparation for Town Hall on August 5, 2026

3. New Business

Town Hall Planning Meeting Attendance

Angela and Ozzie discussed attendance for an upcoming meeting focused on planning for tomorrow night's Town Hall. They noted that while some members like Chris and potentially Adria might be absent due to personal issues or health problems, Ozzie agreed to text Red Deer members to increase attendance. Angela clarified that this was not an official board meeting but rather a discussion about the Town Hall plans that Ozzie had circulated on July 29th.

Provincial Contingency Business Plan Discussion

Angela facilitated the meeting in place of Chris, who is dealing with personal issues. She reassured the membership that CADS Alberta will operate normally regardless of national disputes or structural changes. The discussion covered a 22-page chronology of events leading to the request for a Special General Meeting on August 24th, which Tony V. noted was received late. Angela also presented a draft provincial contingency business plan containing information on insurance, data management, training, certification pathways, and proposed fee structures for consideration by the membership.

Information Release Process Concerns

Tony V. expressed frustration about receiving information at a late stage of the process and criticized the CADS Alberta board for not providing written information to individual boards earlier. He argued that this approach could create confusion and potentially harm membership and program participation. Angela acknowledged the concern but defended the decision to avoid releasing too much information prematurely to prevent misunderstanding. Tony C. defended the current board, noting that provincial representatives were present at meetings and should have communicated the information to their boards.

Organizational Communication Concerns

Tony V. expressed concerns about a lack of written communication regarding organizational changes, stating that the Edmonton board has been requesting written information since March but only received it recently. Angela and Kirk defended their efforts to communicate with the board through representatives like Faye and Noel, arguing that putting everything in writing was challenging due to uncertainty about costs and membership numbers. The discussion highlighted tensions around communication practices and the upcoming town hall meeting, with Tony V. suggesting it might create confusion among members without proper written information first.

Town Hall Preparation Discussion

The board discussed preparations for an upcoming Town Hall meeting where they will present information about the proposed dissolution of CADS National's board and a new three-year plan. Angela confirmed that the Town Hall is not a voting meeting but an informational session, with a Special General Meeting (SGM) scheduled for August 26th if needed after the national SGM on August 24th. The board reviewed a conservative budget proposal with reduced spending and membership fees set at \$25, and discussed making board meeting minutes publicly available to improve communication across divisions.

4. Adjournment. (Adjournment, Kirk, 7:55 pm)