

To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders

Date: December 20, 2023

Subject: CanadaGAP holds 2023 AGM and Auditor Recognition Award Ceremony

The Annual General Meeting of CanAgPlus, the not-for-profit corporation that owns and operates the CanadaGAP® Program, was held virtually on Wednesday, November 29, 2023.

We thank all members who attended and participated in the meeting. CanadaGAP program participants elected one new and three returning directors to the CanAgPlus Board. Congratulations to the following individuals:

- Denis Desjardins, Desjardins Seed Farm Ltd.
- Ian McDonell, Snow Road Solutions
- Beth Pattillo, Noggins Corner Farm II Ltd.
- Julian Sarraino, Fresh Taste Produce

Newly elected Board members will serve a two-year term through to December 2025. Biographies of CanAgPlus Directors are posted at: http://www.canadagap.ca/history/governance/

AGM Presentations

Two presentations were provided during the AGM: 2023 CanadaGAP Program Highlights and All About the CanadaGAP Technical Advisory Committee. These presentations as well as the corporation's financial statements are accessible from the 'Members Only' section on the CanadaGAP website or directly from the office. Any member may obtain a copy upon request.

Draft Minutes Available

The draft minutes from the AGM are also available in the 'Members Only' section at www.canadagap.ca.

A hard copy can be obtained upon request from the CanadaGAP office. Members are requested to report any errors or omissions to the meeting secretary.

CanadaGAP® is a program developed in Canada to promote Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) for fruit and vegetable suppliers.



Sheri Nielson Auditor Recognition Award Ceremony

Immediately prior to this year's AGM, CanadaGAP hosted an award ceremony for this year's Sheri Nielson Auditor Recognition Award. The award ceremony was open to anyone who wished to attend, and we appreciate all those who took part in congratulating the recipients. The 2023 awards were presented to two highly deserving CanadaGAP auditors:



Isabelle Martineau – serving Quebec/Frenchspeaking program participants



Jovana Mitich - serving English Canada.



Both auditors exhibit the care, dedication and heart for which Sheri Nielson was known. They have both served the food industry for some time, and made been outstanding auditors for the CanadaGAP Program. We extend congratulations to both winners, and thanks to all those who submitted nominations.

Short AGM Follow-up Survey

Please take a moment to respond to a short survey about the CanAgPlus AGM. We are seeking your feedback around attendance and presentations of interest for future AGMs. Your comments will help us improve the AGM!

Please complete the survey on-line by clicking here. This will take only a few minutes of your time.

If you have any questions, call the CanadaGAP office at 613-829-4711 or send us an email at info@canadagap.ca.