

## **Pinawa Foundation Holds Annual General Meeting**

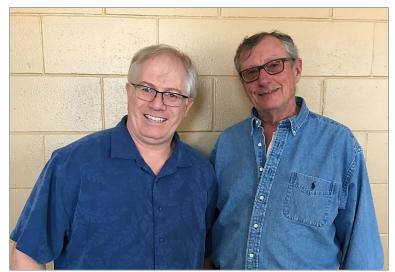
The Pinawa Foundation held its AGM on June 5, in the W.B. Lewis Business Centre board room, for their fiscal year ending December 2017.

The Board was pleased to report that they supported a number of initiatives around Pinawa, including helping to raise money for the Pinawa Club Renewal Project, installation of a new walk-in tub at the Ironwood Supportive Housing Facility, raising funds for the Christmas Hamper Program, and supporting several graduating students with scholarships.

"A highlight for the past year was our new Youth in Philanthropy Program.", said Foundation Chairman Chris Saunders. "With the help of the Thomas Sills Foundation, teacher Lisa Krupka, and our board volunteers, the new high school group gave donations to seven worthy causes in Pinawa".

The Foundation also had a goal of adding \$150,000 to their endowed funds in 2017 to celebrate Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday. The board reported at the AGM that over \$209,000 was raised, thanks to the generosity of Pinawa residents and our corporate sponsors. Their endowed funds now total \$713,000 as of January 1, 2018. They also donated over \$125,000 to local charities and groups in in 2017.

The current Board was re-elected for another term at the AGM. Chris Saunders continues as the Chairman and volunteer Executive Director. Carol Findlay is the Foundation's Treasurer. Connie Hamon is the secretary. Other board members include Chuck Vandergraaf, Cindy Litke, Susan Musey, John Tait, Alf Wikjord and Don Kerr. The board would like to thank all those who attended our AGM to hear about our first 8 years as a Foundation and our plans for next year.



Chairman Chris Saunders welcomes new board member Don Kerr