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**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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#### **1. Purpose**

The Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of Orvana Minerals Corp. (the “**Corporation**”) has a duty to supervise the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation. The Board, directly and through its committees and its Chair, shall provide direction to senior management, generally through the Chief Executive Officer, to pursue the best interests of the Corporation.

#### **2. Membership**

All matters concerning the membership and organization of the Board (including: the number, qualifications and remuneration of directors; the number of Board meetings; residency requirements; quorum requirements; meeting procedures; appointment of a chair; and notices of meetings) are as established by the Ontario *Business Corporations Act* and the by-laws and resolutions of the Corporation.

At least annually, the Board shall, with the assistance of the Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, determine the independence of each director based on the definition of independence contained in National Instrument 58-101 – *Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices* (“NI 58-101”) and the independence of each Audit Committee member based on the definition of independence in National Instrument 52-110 – *Audit Committees*. It shall be an objective that at least a majority of the directors shall be independent as determined in accordance with NI 58-101, and if at any time less than a majority of directors are independent, the Board shall consider possible steps and processes to facilitate its exercise of independent judgement in carrying out its responsibilities.

If at any time the Chair of the Board is not independent, the Board shall consider possible steps and processes to ensure that leadership is provided for the Board’s independent directors.

Directors may serve on the boards of other companies so long as these commitments do not materially interfere and are compatible with their ability to fulfill their duties as a member of the Board. Directors must advise the Board in advance of accepting an invitation to serve on the board of another public company.

Each director must have an understanding of the Corporation’s principal operational and financial objectives, plans and strategies, and financial position and performance. Directors must have sufficient time to carry out their duties and not assume responsibilities that would materially interfere with, or be incompatible with, Board membership. Directors who experience a significant change in their personal circumstance, including a change in their principal occupation, are expected to advise the chair of the Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

#### **3. Functions and Responsibilities**

The Board shall have the functions and responsibilities set out below. In addition to these functions and responsibilities, the Board shall perform such duties as may be required by the binding requirements of any stock exchanges on which the Corporation’s securities are listed and all other applicable laws.

- (a) **Strategic Planning** – At least annually, the Board shall review and, if advisable, approve the Corporation’s strategic planning process and short- and long-term strategic and business plans prepared by management. In discharging this responsibility, the Board shall review the plan in light of management's assessment of emerging trends, the competitive environment, risk issues, and significant business practices and products. At least annually, the Board shall review management's implementation of the Corporation’s strategic and business plans. The Board shall review and, if advisable, approve any material amendments to, or variances from, these plans.
- (b) **Risk Management** – At least annually, the Board shall, with the assistance of the Audit Committee and the Technical, Safety, Health, Environment and Sustainability Committee: (i) identify the risks inherent in the business of the Corporation and review and approve management’s risk philosophy and risk management policies necessary to address, as much as reasonably possible, those identified risks and (ii) review management reports demonstrating compliance with risk management policies and confirm that management has taken reasonable steps to ensure compliance with standards.
- (c) **Controls and Systems** – The Board shall, with the assistance of the Audit Committee, verify that internal financial, non-financial and business control, information systems and data security procedures have been established by management and that the Corporation is applying appropriate standards of corporate conduct for these controls.
- (d) **Human Resources** – The Board shall, with the assistance of the Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, periodically: (i) review the Corporation’s approach to human resource management and executive compensation and (ii) review succession plans for the Chair of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer and senior management of the Corporation.
- (e) **Corporate Governance** – The Board shall, with the assistance of the Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, periodically: (i) review the Corporation’s approach to corporate governance; (ii) evaluate the Board's ability to act independently from management in fulfilling its duties; (iii) review reports provided by management relating to compliance with, or material deficiencies of, the Corporation’s Code of Business Conduct and Ethics; and (iv) satisfy itself as to the culture of integrity within the Corporation and of the executive officers of the Corporation.
- (f) **Financial Information** – The Board shall, with the assistance of the Audit Committee, periodically: (i) review the Corporation’s internal controls relating to financial information and reports provided by management on material deficiencies in, or material changes to, these controls and (ii) review the integrity of the Corporation’s financial information and systems, the effectiveness of internal controls and management's assertions on internal control and disclosure control procedures.
- (g) **Communications** – The Board in conjunction with the Chief Executive Officer shall periodically review the Corporation’s overall communications strategy, including measures for receiving feedback from the Corporation’s shareholders. In developing the Corporation’s communication policy reference shall be made to NP 51-201 – *Disclosure Standards*.
- (h) **Disclosure** – The Board shall periodically review management's compliance with the Corporation’s disclosure policies and procedures. The Board shall, if advisable, approve material changes to the Corporation’s disclosure policies and procedures.

- (i) **Position Descriptions.** – Periodically, the Board shall review a report of the Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee reviewing the position description of the Chief Executive Officer and such corporate goals and objectives. The Board has approved position descriptions for the Chair of the Board and the Chair of each Board committee, and for the Chief Executive Officer, which includes delineating management’s responsibilities and approving the corporate goals and objectives that the Chief Executive Officer is responsible for meeting.

#### 4. **Committees of the Board**

- (a) **Committees Established** – The Board has established an Audit Committee, a Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and a Technical, Safety, Health, Environment and Sustainability Committee. Subject to applicable law, the Board may establish other Board committees or merge or dispose of any Board committee.
- (b) **Committee Charters** – The Board has approved charters for each Board committee and shall approve charters for any new Board Committee. Each charter shall be reviewed periodically, and, based on recommendations of the relevant committee and the Chair of the Board, be approved by the Board.
- (c) **Delegation to Committees** – The Board has delegated for approval or review the matters set out in each Board committee's charter and may further delegate matters to such committees from time to time. As required, the Board shall consider for approval the specific matters delegated for review to Board committees.
- (d) **Committee Reporting to Board** – To facilitate communication between the Board and its committees, each committee Chair shall provide a report to the Board on material matters considered by the committee at the next Board meeting after each meeting of the committee.

#### 5. **Meetings**

- (a) **General** — The rules and regulations relating to the calling and holding of and proceedings at meetings of the Board shall be those established by the Ontario *Business Corporations Act* and the by-laws and resolutions of the Corporation.
- (b) **Secretary and Minutes** — The Corporate Secretary, his or her designate or any other person the Board requests, shall act as secretary of Board meetings. Minutes of Board meetings shall be recorded and maintained by the Corporate Secretary and subsequently presented to the Board for approval.
- (c) **Meetings Without Management** — The Board shall hold unscheduled or regularly scheduled meetings, or portions of regularly scheduled meetings, at which members of management are not present at least twice per year.
- (d) **Attendance and Preparedness** — Directors are expected to attend regularly scheduled Board meetings and to have prepared for the meetings by, at a minimum, reviewing in advance of the meeting the materials delivered in connection with the meeting. The attendance record of individual directors will be disclosed in the Corporation’s proxy circular as required by NI 58-101.

## **6. Director Development and Evaluation**

New directors shall be provided with such orientation sessions, including site visits, as the Board determines are appropriate from time to time. With the assistance of the Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, the Board shall periodically consider how directors may maintain the skill and knowledge necessary to meet their obligations as directors, including through continuing education programs, and evaluate and review the performance of the Board, each of its committees and each of the directors.

## **7. Access to Information**

In its discharge of the foregoing duties and responsibilities, the Board shall have free and unrestricted access at all times, either directly or through its duly appointed representatives, to officers of the Corporation and to the relevant books, records and systems of the Corporation as considered appropriate.

## **8. Independent Advisors**

The Board shall have the authority to engage and terminate such independent counsel and other advisors as it may from time to time deem necessary or advisable for its purposes and to set and cause to be paid by the Corporation the compensation of any such counsel or advisors.

## **9. Self-Assessment**

The Board shall, together with the Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, at least annually, assess the Board's effectiveness with a view to ensuring the effective performance of the Board.

## **10. Board Review of Charter**

The Board shall periodically review the adequacy of the Board's charter. In accordance with NI 58-101, the text of this charter shall be included in the Corporation's management information circular.

## **11. No Rights Created**

This Charter is a statement of broad policies and is intended as a component of the flexible governance framework within which the committees of the Board assist the Board in directing the affairs of Orvana. While it should be interpreted in the context of all applicable laws, regulations and listing requirements, as well as in the context of Orvana's Articles and By-laws, it is not intended to establish any legally binding obligations.