

HUMBER COLLEGE RETIREES' ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE 16TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 2ND, 2016
BOARD OF GOVERNORS ROOM –B101

CO-CHAIRS: Wayne Debly, Maryann Jefferies

RECORDER: Helen Gawryk

WELCOME

- a) Wayne opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. He also reminded everyone of our 50/50 draw (all proceeds go to the Bursary fund).
- b) Acceptance of the Minutes of the 15th AGM
As there were no errors/omissions, Wayne requested a Motion to Approve

Moved by: Hugh Chesser

Seconded: Barbara Carutthers

Motion passed: All In Favour

- c) Business Arising from Minutes of Last AGM
There was no business arising

TREASURER'S REPORT AND ACCEPTANCE

Adele Mikhail presented the 2015/2016 Budget. She indicated that we had a surplus of \$82.49.

Adele Mikhail asked if there were any questions. As there were no questions, a Motion to Approve was requested.

Motion to Approve:

Moved by: Al Lobo

Seconded: Ollie Leschuk

REPORTS

- a) Report on Activities over the Past Year
Wayne provided a handout with the Board's activities over the past year
Wayne Debly introduced the following:
Social Committee – Ollie Leschuk, Doug Willford, Linda Azzopardi, and Sheila Money
Nomination Committee – is comprised of Jane Clifton and Les Takahashi
Christmas Party – Linda Azzopardi, Helen Gawryk, and Irene Van Vliet
Finance – Adele Mikhail and Sheila Money
ByLaw Updates – Paul Pieper and Doug Willford
Email Administrator – Pam Tulino
Webpage Maintenance – Wayne Debly
MOU – Doug Willford
Newsletter Editor – Ollie Leschuk

Mature Learning Committee – Barbara Carutthers, Jean Jablonski and Christine Tomchak
Recorder – Helen Gawryk
Board CoChairs – Wayne Debly and Maryann Jefferies

- b) Maryann Jefferies confirmed that this year's XMAS Fest will be held in the Humber Room, on Dec 7th 2016. Maryann explained that several other options were considered, and the Board agreed that our best option was the Humber Room. We have been assured that the cost will be same as last year.
- c) Newsletter- Ollie Leschuk requested that articles, book reports, and anything that might be of interest to the Retirees' be emailed to her. The deadline for submissions to the Fall Newsletter is October 1st.
- d) Social Events Planned
Al Lobo gave a short presentation and a video of a trip to the Azores. Al is planning a trip in May 2017. He has a sign up for anyone who is interested, and indicated that 10 people is a good number.

Ollie presented the following: Grand River Cruise – scheduled for Friday, June 24th. Cost is \$50/person, and includes the cruise, entertainment, and lunch.

Events being proposed are: Niagara Fallsview Casino- Sep 2016, Lunch at Grenadier Restaurant, (in High Park) and walk – Oct 2016, Literary Event – Feb or Mar 2017 at the North Campus

- e) Memorandum of Understanding - MOU
Doug Willford has spent two years planning and putting forward the MOU. The MOU is based on the MOU that St Lawrence College developed. The MOU provides a written contract between the College and the Retirees Association. This ensures that the conditions and responsibilities will be met should there be a change in the Executive of the College. The College will provide financial support for printing and postage. The MOU has been signed.

Due to a significant number of Humber staff not being accommodated at last year's Pres's Breakfast, the Retirees will not have a table allocated to them this year.

Maryann Jefferies thanked Doug Willford for his work bringing this document to fruition.

- f) Mature Learning Committee
Barbara Carutthers gave a presentation of the Committee work. Barbara Carutthers is the current Chair of the Committee which consists of herself, Jean Jablonski and Christine Tomchak. The Committee was formed in 2014. A survey was distributed to the membership of the HRCA to determine areas of interest. The highest level of interest was Technology. We are now running a course titled – Disruptive Stuff that is going to Change the World. It consists of four sessions, two of which have been held to date: Drones, and Cybercrime. The Committee had a lot of help and support from Andrew Ainsworth, Director Continuing Education, School of

Technology. The evaluations for the first two sessions have been very positive. Barbara Carruthers advised that members can still join for the last two sessions – 3D Printing, and the Internet of Things. Next topic of interest is Tourism, and the third topic of interest is Culinary.

OTHER BUSINESS

- a) New Membership Card. Wayne Debly noted that the new Membership Card has login info for the HRCA website (on the back of the card). The full website will only be available to paid members. Those who are not paid members will only have access to the Home page of the website. Wayne is currently working on a direct link on the Humber website, to the HRCA site.

- b) Maryann Jefferies read the names of those who have left us, and requested a Minute of Silence
Paul Byles – Nov, 2015
Ted Carney – Dec 2015
Phylip Karpetz – Dec 2015
Eric Dymond – Fall 2015
Beryl Valentine Lambert – Feb 2016
Don Johnson – Mar 2016
Patrick Kearney – Apr 2016
Evelyn Haslan – Apr 2016
Mary Heins – Jun 2016

- c) Student Letter of Thanks
Wayne presented and quickly read letters from two students who had received a bursary from the HCRA. This is the first time the Board has received thank you letters, which were greatly appreciated. Holsee Sahid identifies the students who are in need, and the Board makes the decision to award a bursary based on the money available in the Bursary fund.

VOTE FOR NEW AND RETURNING BOARD MEMBERS,

Members returning and seeking re-election: Barbara Carruthers, Jean Jablonski, Sheila Money, Paul Pieper, and Christine Tomchak. All were re-elected to the Board.

Nominations to the Board:

Sheryn Beattie – who has experience in Business, Marketing and Design
Davi Lui – a graphic artist and photographer, who is widely known for his `David` cards for Humber Retirees.

Sheryn Beattie and David Lui were unanimously approved. Wayne Debly thanked Jane Clifton and Les Takahashi for their recruitment efforts.

Wayne Debly informed the Retirees that Irene Van Vliet and Ian Jones have resigned from the Board, but will help with some special projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Wayne Debly requested a Motion to Adjourn

Motion Moved: Henry Ruschin

SPEAKER

Chris Whittaker – President of Humber College briefly addressed the AGM.

This is the 4th year for Chris Whittaker as President of Humber College. Chris spent 25 years at St Lawrence College, in various roles. He started out as Support staff, moved into faculty, had various Administrative roles, and was President of St Lawrence College, when he left. Chris is originally from Toronto, and was pleased to return, and especially to accept the position of President of Humber College.

Some brief highlights – B building is undergoing renovations to accommodate offices for HRT, and the School of Technology will be moving into the previous library space. There are 5 projects ongoing as a result of the backfill due to the completion of the Learning Resources Common.

Humber College now has close to 30,000 students, 10,000 of which are at the Lakeshore campus.

CHRISTINE BURCHETT – Keynote Speaker

Christine Burchett is a lawyer in Newmarket who practices in Wills & Estates. She presented a very lively and interactive presentation titled – The Sky is Falling or is it?

Christine relayed the regulatory changes to Wills and Estates, and both posed and answered a lot of questions from those attending. There was a lot of lively discussion, and it was highly informative, and enjoyable.

Maryann Jefferies thanked Christine Burchett.