

**LANGARA COLLEGE RETIREES STEERING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, March 8, 2018
2:00 pm, Room A257

Minutes:

Attendees:

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| Martin Gerson (Chair) | Dave Lidstone |
| Mel Fearman | Dawn Palmer |
| Moira Gookstetter | Roy Sinn |
| Gail Bremer - regrets | Yvonne Ohara |
| Shannon Redmond - regrets | Ken Jillings - regrets |

Shannon Eeckhout

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 pm.

1) Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved with the addition of ‘death notices’ under Other Business and deferring CURAC to the next meeting.

2) Approval of minutes

The minutes of January 15 2018 were approved and will be posted on the website.

3) Approval of Minutes - AMM

The minutes of the January 26, 2018 annual membership meeting were approved and will be posted on website.

4) Business Arising

a. Steering Committee for 2018

- The committee has been confirmed with the additional of Shannon Redmond.
- **The committee thanks Mike Holmwood for his service, contribution and commitment to this group and its predecessor, over a number of years.**
- Mel messaged CUPE via Brian McGibney but there was no feedback.
- Mel has considered the publication that CUPE gets (although it does go to members beyond Langara). Mel could ask Brian to get on the agenda for the stewards meeting.
- **Action:** Shannon to ask IT for an updated membership then distribute to the team. Shannon to fill in the information we have then circulate to the committee.
- **Action:** Mel to reach out to Zeljka and Jackie about joining the steering committee. Shannon to send Mel the contact information.

b. Events

i. Langara Retirees Social

- Gail has submitted the report that was circulated. The committee thanks Gail for the tremendous effort she put into the event.

ii. Pub Gathering

- March 21 Pub Event – Martin will send a reminder to the membership with the details specific to this upcoming event.
- Martin expecting 6 – 10 people. Yvonne will be there early and ensure everything is in order.
- Roy will add an update to Facebook

iii. Other Events

- Convocation will be at the Orpheum. Yvonne looking for volunteers for gowning and reception. June 4 and the morning of the 5th.
- Geezers Gala – Dave has offered to contact Daniel Dolan at Studio 58 regarding the next Gala. Moira confirmed that the proceeds can go to Studio 58 via the Foundation again.
- Golf Course Drop in – will be scheduled once the weather improves.

c. COSCO

i. Workshop Survey Results – 19 people responded

- Jan – April preferred time
- Top 5 workshops: Wills & Estates (March 15), Memory & Aging, Emergency Preparedness, Staying Fit at Home and Healthy Eating
- Workshop info has been circulated on the listserv and on Langara.ca/retirees.
- Roy suggested providing an honorarium of \$100. Agreed.
- **Action:** Roy to provide Shannon with the details of the instructor's name.
- Roy following up on other suggested workshops submitted with the survey.
- Mel suggests considering the information in the survey when it comes to planning other events
- One more reminder to be sent 2 days ahead.

ii. Other Matters

- Roy going to meeting on March 9 and will speak about the Langara Retirees Group.
- **Action:** Dawn will send her background notes to Roy. Also used the details from CURAC email.

5) **Continuing Studies Discount**

- Yvonne, Roy and Dan Thorpe (Continuing Studies) met on February 16 to discuss CS discounts. With discounts, people will likely attend as they have paid. Discount will be 50% for retirees. This is not a Tuition Fee Waiver.
- **Action:** Shannon will write up a process and bring it back to this group.
- More discussion required around who qualifies for the discount.

6) **CURAC** – deferred to next meeting

- a. Reconsider
- b. Correspondence
- c. Website

7) **Beyond 29 Update** – deferred to next meeting

8) **Other Business** – to continue at next meeting

- a. Death Notices – is the committee handling the reports we receive
 - i. Yvonne ensuring this information gets back to the LFA
 - ii. Dave thanked Martin for his thoughtful words when sharing the messages.

9) **Next Meeting**

- **Action:** Shannon to send Doodle Poll for next date and times 10 – noon or noon to 2

10) **Adjournment**

- **Adjournment meeting concluded at 3:00 pm**