

LANGARA COLLEGE ASSOCIATION OF RETIREES (LCAR)

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, March 24, 2023

10:00 – 11:00 am, via Zoom

Attendees:

Diane Bradley - Chair
Dave Lidstone
Roy Sinn
Brian McGibney

Martin Gerson - regrets
Gail Bremer
Bruce Kennedy
Susan Weber - regrets

Shannon Eeckhout (minutes)
Patricia Cia - regrets
Heidy Rahnumah - regrets

1. Any additions to the agenda

4.4 CURAC Update

2. Approval of the agenda

Approved as circulated with addition as above.

3. Approval of the minutes from the February 24, 2023 meeting

Minutes approved as circulated.

4. Business

4.1 Website content – Update on ‘In Memoriam’ pages – Roy, Diane, Patricia, Susan

- Roy reported that it has been agreed that Roy, Susan and Patricia will work on this and Roy has granted admin rights to website
- Page is set up under members tab but you do not need to be logged in to view it; Roy shared his screen and showed how anyone can see the list of In Memoriam entries
- Information can be submitted and will be uploaded as a PDF
- Page will be membership driven and contributions will be encouraged
- Names will be listed in alphabetical order and will include the department the person worked in
- New submission email address memorials@lcar.ca set up for message to go to Roy, Patricia and Susan
- Diane reminded the group that entries can also be brief
- Dave has a few submissions he'll work on
- Roy showed the Gala registration form and reminded that everyone is required to register

4.2 Proposed future social activities (Gala and summer) – Bruce, Dave

- Dave has submitted the Langara event request form, covers facilities, security and AV
- Facilities reported that they aren't involved in Studio 58 events, we must be out by 11:00 pm and confirmed it is a non-alcohol event

- Funds will go to Foundation; Heidy will take the lead here
- Set up includes a will-call table, a table for Judith and a ticket collector at the door
- Snacks - will use Studio 58 left overs
- Programming is in place
- LFA and CUPE have circulated information on listservs and an article went out in the Langara Post
- Dave prepared a poster with pictures from previous events; hope it can be used in the next Post article.
- 17 people are registered and some with Langara email addresses
- Will likely have people just show up
- Has also prepared hard copy tickets – Shannon to print early next week
- Judith will display her artwork and offer one painting as a door prize, but there will not be a silent auction.
- For any sales in the 3 weeks following the Gala, Judith will donate 30% of proceeds to the Foundation
- Brian will be PA system manager, AV will set up PA gear early that day
- Brian reported that he will work with AV to discuss their gear to make sure there are enough mics and stands once final list of performers is set
- Suggests doing a pre-production run-through
- Studio will be set up after the Studio 58 show on the weekend prior
- Dave asked about availability of hard tickets on campus; not having an on-campus presence made it more difficult than in previous years; any suggestions?
- Gail suggested a table in the employee lounge and offered to help with this as well as tickets on the 11th.
- In person ticket sales to take place after Langara Post article on Tuesday April 4, in person tickets on 5th and 6th between 11:00 and 1:00 pm

4.3 Future plans from the newsletter committee – Martin, Dave, Roy, Gail

- Dave reported Roy has left the subcommittee and they have welcomed Patricia who will work on layout
- When Patricia is back from vacation, they will meet to discuss the next edition
- Will include a section on CPPR (meetings in April and May), FPSE meets in May, also a Trustee meeting coming up; retirees want lobbying for inflation protection to continue to be included in FPSE's Policy and Procedures manual;
- Need to consider what the purpose of the newsletter is for . . .how much detail would we want to include in newsletter
- Dave recognizes the complexity but feels it updates members on what the affiliate organizations are doing on our behalf; good reminder to those on College Pension Plan
- Brian reported the Municipal Pension Plan has a good communication plan
- Roy wants to ensure there is content from the CUPE side and LFA side
- Diane will write something after the mid-May meeting
- Dave dropped off hard copies in the mailroom and will bring copies to the Gala
- Brian suggests copies be left in the employee lounge
- Shannon can mailout copies of the newsletter to people who want or need a hard copy

4.4 CURAC Update - Dave

- Dave plans on attending the meeting in late May in Saskatoon which is now being advertised at CURAC.ca

5. Next Meeting

- Friday, May 5 at 10:00 am