

LANGARA COLLEGE ASSOCIATION OF RETIREES (LCAR)

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, February 23, 2024

10:00 – 11:00 am, via Zoom

Attendees:

Diane Bradley

Dave Lidstone

Roy Sinn

Martin Gerson - regrets

Alan Cooper - regrets

Bruce Kennedy

Shannon Eeckhout (minutes)

Patricia Cia

Brian McGibney

1. Any additions to the agenda

- No additions.

2. Approval of the agenda

- Approved as circulated.

3. Approval of the minutes from the January 26, 2024 meeting

- Shannon to send a finalized version of the minutes to Roy for posting

4. Business

4.1 LCAR membership criteria – update - Martin, Roy, Brian

- Martin's email was displayed for discussion
- Roy doesn't expect the numbers using benefits to increase due to the proposed change
- We can propose change but would need approval by Langara executive
- Motion to accept Martin's proposed addition to LCAR Bylaw 2:1: Brian and Roy; approved by all
- Motion to have someone present to Senior Leadership Team for approval: Addition of 2.1.b: all in favour; Diane, Brian and Martin; Shannon to arrange a meeting with Jane
- Currently Roy checks with Shannon for people registering that he is unfamiliar with; Shannon can confirm *recent* retirees
- Could also poll members; registration form asks for department they worked in
- Patricia suggested we could ask them for a reference from a current member

4.2 Gala – Dave, Brian, Bruce

- Dave met with the Studio 58 team last week
- Working on programming and continuing to reach out to possible participants
- Ticketing: reaching out to Foundation and will meet to confirm details; will include a donation page; need this finalized before promotion starts

- Promotion: circulated a draft communication and has incorporated feedback; will go into the Langara Post and to Studio 58 newsletter on March 20; smaller notices for LCAR, CUPE and LFA
- Door prizes: thanks to Judith for donation of a painting, she will bring it on the night of the Gala; Studio 58 will donate two season passes; Brian also reaching out for possible door prizes
- Inhouse reception: Martin shared details around Serving it Right; necessary to have Special Event Servers license (online and \$20 fee); will need to include name on application due March 9; Ruth needs the name, certificate number and cost centre to charge to (Shannon to provide); is there anyone who has this certificate or would want to get one
- Brian will ask his daughter if she has the certificate and if she would volunteer her time that night; Dave will follow up with Gail and Ruth

4.3 Workshops update - Roy, Diane

- March 19: Sleep (14 registered); Memory and Ageing: April 24 (12 registered)
- April 16: C408 3:00 – 6:00 pm: Financial planning – have not yet done an updated survey on interest in this; Sean Jamieson, Financial Advisor with Investors Group; wanted something more comprehensive than planned giving (which is what the Foundation wanted for this); waiting for a promotional communication from Sean
- Shannon can arrange parking for the LCAR board; if you are attending, please send Shannon your license plate number

4.4 CURAC affiliation payment – update & discussion – All

- Have affiliations with insurance providers; those affiliation involve providers kicking back some affinity payments; some funds passed on to membership organization 2020, 21, 22 – we have \$180 coming our way; have requested cheque to be payable to LCAR
- Diane could endorse and note ‘payable to xxxx’ and College could deal with it however LCAR wishes
- Diane looked in to possible banking options; would require two signing officers and paperwork
- Diane proposes just signing off on the cheque and redirecting to Foundation or Studio 58
- LCAR scholarship?
- Dave has requested information on what types of amounts might be coming in the future; not convinced that the amount of affinity payment would be more than \$60 in future years
- Direct to Foundation: Roy, second Patricia; approved
- Diane to check with Foundation about where to direct the funds to

4.5 Report from the newsletter committee - Martin, Patricia

- Next deadline is end of April, Martin working on a few things, Patricia working on layout
- Dave added that the printed copy looked good and recognized Patricia’s work that goes into the layout

4.6 Website management update - Roy / Patricia

- Patricia will be posting an in memoriam for Larry Sherwood
- Daved asked Deborah Blacklock to make a submission; also noticed that the most current edition is not on website; Roy to double check
- Mailing list working better, issues resolved. Will circulate instructions and offer training; changes to event management; getting things set up for workshops has taken longer than the thought
- Thank you to Roy for his work on this

4.7 Liaison with CURAC – Dave

- Roy posted Dave his latest report
- Dave has not confirmed whether he will attend meeting in Waterloo; would welcome financial support from the committee
- Some groups have guidelines on how much can be claimed
- Dave asked about Diane completing CURAC membership form as it is due soon

4.8 Liaison with CPPR – Diane

- Met on Feb 7, new constitution approved; website not updated yet
- March 20 board meeting; others welcome to attend
- June 19 remote meeting, shorter than in-person meetings
- CPPR has a new Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee to work on recruiting and communications

4.9 Liaison with Cosco – Alan

- Deferred to next meeting

5. Next Meeting

- March 22, 2024 10:00 – 11:00 am, via zoom