

SENIORS COLLEGE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

November 27, 2021 Andrews Hall UPEI

Annual General Meeting

Attendees: Janet Garland, Janet Ellis, Pat MacAulay, Shirley Pierce, Kate Gordon, Andy Smith, Charles Sanderson, Luanne Gallant, Mary Lou Turner, Lynne Murphy, Mary MacPherson, Michele Dorsey, Donald Moses, David Blacquiere, Daphne Blanchette and Maureen Sinnott.

Call to Order: President Pat MacAulay called the meeting to order at 10:06 and welcomed all those in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: A motion M/S Shirley Pierce/Kate Gordon to approve the agenda. Carried

Minutes of November 28, 2020 AGM: A motion M/S Janet Ellis/Andy Smith to approve the minutes. Carried

Business Arising: None

Presidents Report: Pat reviewed the activities that occurred during 2020-2021. Covid-19 has dictated much of how we conducted our lives since March 2020. The past fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 has been a challenging one but because of a lot of hard work by our volunteer Board of Directors and the support of our membership, Seniors College continues, stronger than ever.

Given the fluidity of the Covid situation, the Board made a series of decisions to cancel classes on a semester-by- semester basis. The introduction of the vaccination program and the enthusiastic uptake by seniors made for a hopeful return to the classroom in the fall of 2021.

Programs: The Programs Committee chaired by Shirley Pierce included Janet Ellis, Janet Garland, Andy Smith, Michele Dorsey, and Lynn Murphy. The Committee continued to meet and maintain an active calendar of courses for each semester of 2020/21 despite the cancellations. 17 human interest sessions videotaped and

uploaded to the website during the spring of 2021. With over 5000 viewings it helped to maintain members' interest in Seniors College.

Information Technology: The Information Technology Committee, chaired by Mary MacPherson, included Kate Gordon, Mary Lou Turner, and Charley Scott, former Coordinator. The Committee's main focus during the past year was to keep Seniors College members informed and engaged via email, our website and Facebook. No changes or enhancements were made to website or registration system and Committee chair, Mary MacPherson, assumed responsibility for maintaining Facebook as a further cost saving mechanism. In February 2021, the IT Committee created a Seniors College YouTube channel to view and promote videos prepared by facilitators.

Marketing: The Marketing Committee chaired by Andy Smith, included Pat MacAulay, Shirley Pierce, Mary MacPherson and Mary Lou Turner. The Committee's work focused on keeping members informed of semester cancellations, via email and media, and making them aware of the on-line presentations. The Committee with the help of news stories and interviews on CBC, local radio stations, and the Guardian was able to ensure that members received the latest updates via as many channels as possible.

In the spring of 2021, Gary MacDougall, former editor of the Guardian, wrote two articles about the return of Seniors College in the fall of 2021. These were extremely well received when they appeared in the Guardian and were also cross listed on our social media platforms. This effort was part of a broader strategy to use social media, and "free" publicity wherever possible to announce our return to the classroom to existing and potentially new members.

Finance: The past year has been a very challenging one for the College from a fiscal perspective. Our Treasurer, Kate Gordon, will present the steps taken and the resulting financial position in her report.

Looking Ahead to 2021 -2022: Work on the next version of the Strategic Plan will begin in the spring of 2022 as the current version expires June 2022. The Strategic

Plan outlines the organization's direction and guides decision making and activities.

Concluding Comments

Pat thanked the Board for their hard work and dedication through what has been a very challenging time over the past nineteen months. She also thanked members who maintained contact and returned in record numbers this fall.

A motion M/S Janet Ellis/Andy Smith to approve the Presidents report. Carried

Treasurer's Report:

Kate reviewed the financial report for the Year ending June 30, 2021. As all classes were cancelled due to Covid there was no membership income and budget was cut to a minimum to include administrative costs of insurance, accountant review, coordinator, website maintenance, a Zoom license and program costs for videos. The year ended with a net loss of \$22,245, total net assets of \$38,364 and total liabilities and assets of \$50,539 (liabilities include \$11,375 of deferred revenue from grants received in previous years).

The Seniors College Financial Records for the year were reviewed by Arsenault Best Cameron Ellis and no adjusting entries were made.

A motion M/S Kate Gordon/Mary MacPherson to accept Treasurer's report. Carried

Governance Report: Andy Smith presented the report from the Governance Committee. The following Directors are stepping down: Andy Smith, Lynne Murphy, Janet Garland and Arlene Mills-Duncan.

The following members have put their names forward for election to the board for a two year term: Pat MacAulay, Mary MacPherson, Brenda Campbell, Luanne Gallant, Stephen Connolly and Maureen Sinnott. Andy read a short bio of each of the nominees and then called three times for further nominations from the floor. Since there were no further nominations the above individuals were declared elected by acclamation.

The following is the list of the Board of Directors and Officers of Seniors College for the next year.

Pat MacAulay – President	Term expires November 2023
Shirley Pierce – Vice President	Term expires November 2022
Kate Gordon – Treasurer	Term expires November 2022
Janet Ellis – Past President	Term expires November 2022
Brenda Campbell – Secretary	Term expires November 2023
Mary MacPherson	Term expires November 2023
Michelle Dorsey	Term expires November 2022
Luanne Gallant	Term expires November 2023
Stephen Connolly	Term expires November 2023
Maureen Sinnott	Term expires November 2023
Mary Lou Turner	Director of Membership Ex-Officio
Charles Sanderson	Provincial Coordinator Ex-Officio
Donald Moses	UPEI Librarian Ex-Officio

A motion M/S Andy Smith/Lynne Murphy to accept Governance report. Carried

New Business: None

Awards and Presentations:

The President made presentations to retiring Board Members, Janet Garland, Andy Smith and Lynne Murphy. Both Arlene Mills-Duncan and former coordinator Charley Scott were absent to receive their award.

Other Business:

A question was asked by David Blacquiere as to why motions were made but not voted on. The oversight was noted and it was agreed that this would be noted in the Minutes and that all motions would be assumed as carried for practical purposes.

In closing, Pat thanked everyone who contributed to the continued operations of Seniors College, particularly the Board and Committees.

Adjournment: 10:35 am

A motion M/S Janet Ellis/Shirley Pierce to adjourn

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