UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH RETIREE ASSOCIATION

2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Thursday September 24, 2020 10 a.m. - Zoom Meeting





2020 UGRA Annual General Meeting Zoom Meeting Ground Rules

- Show of hands used during voting as guests are muted
- Only those voting <u>against the motion</u> will raise hands
- Questions will be taken using the Zoom Chat feature



AGM Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order
- 2. Approval of the Agenda
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of 13 June 2019 Annual General Meeting
- 4. Business Arising from the Minutes
- 5. Reports from the Executive Committee
 - a. President's Remarks Vikki Tremblay
 - b. Treasurer's Report and 2020-21 Budget as presented Glenn White
 - c. UGRA Scholarship
 - d. Pensions Doug Badger
 - e. United Way Julie Hutchins
 - f. UGRA Adventures and Events Vikki Tremblay
 - g. Nominations Report Vikki Tremblay
 - h. Questions & Comments
- 6. 2020 2021 President's Remarks Janet MacInnes
- 7. Other Business
- 8. Motion to Adjourn



Approval of the 2020 UGRA AGM Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented

Moved: Vikki Tremblay

Seconded:



Approval of the minutes of the 13 June 2019 UGRA AGM

Minutes posted on the UGRA website <u>www.ugra.ca</u> under Annual General meeting

Motion: To approve the minutes of the 13 June 2019 AGM as circulated

Moved: Vikki Tremblay

Seconded:



Business arising from the minutes will be covered in the reports from the executive committee.....





President's Highlights

- Updated and upgraded information on UGRA website
- Increased communications with members via E-blasts
- Improving database to reach more UGRA members
- Helped members to e.g., access online journals and Sunlife benefits
- Collaborated with Alumni Affairs & Development and the President's Office re: benefits for members and improved communications
- Had great attendance at the 2019 Fall Forum
- Spring forum cancelled due to the COVID-19 Pandemic



Thank you

- The 2019-2020 UGRA Directors for your service
- The 2019-2020 Directors who agreed to stand for the 2020-2021 Executive
- Alumni Affairs & Development for your support
- The President's Office for your support
- YOU most of all, our contributing members

Treasurer's Report – Glenn White



University of Guelph Retirees Association UGRA 2019/2020 Operating Statement & 2020/21 BUDGET

		2019 / 2020 Period		2020 / 2021
		Budget	Actuals	Budget
Revenue	Member Contributions	7,500	7,152	8,500
	Interest	100	128	100
	Ad Revenue	1,000	1,100	1,000
	Extraordinary Proceeds: May			
	2019 CURAC Conference	N/A	4,673	n/a
	Total Revenue	8,600	13,053	9,600
Expenditures				
	Newsletters	5,500	4,966	5,100
	Website	500	500	1,000
	Board Meetings	125	121	120
	CURAC Membership	190	189	190
	CURAC 2019 Conference	1,200	n/a	1,200
	UGRA Scholarship: "Special 1 Time"	0	1,000	n/a
	Office Supplies, & Operating	265	284	310
	AGM	500	346	500
	Fall Forum	600	549	n/a
	Spring Forum	600	n/a	600
	Total Expenses	9,480	7,955	9,020
	Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$880)	\$5,098	\$580

Submitted by Glenn White, UGRA Treasurer

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Treasurer's Report –March 31, 2020 Year End September 24, 2020 UGRA AGM via Zoom

The UGRA reported a \$5,098 Surplus for the March 31, 2020 Year-end. While normal operations basically broke even, the May 2019 CURAC National Conference was a great success; both program wise and financially.

The CURAC conference, held at the U of Guelph and organized by the UGRA Conference committee generated net proceeds of \$4,673. (Note that the normal Conference Surplus is split 50/50 with the organizing university and national body).

To ensure a more robust and compliant UGRA website, we engaged CCS to provide support for the website. The expense line for this item is \$1,000 for 20/21.

The UGRA Net Assets totaled \$16,282 at March 31, 2020. This consists of \$8,053 in cash and \$8,228 in GIC's all held at Meridian Credit Union.

A professional accountant reviewed the UGRA Financial results. Per Larry Shuh's August 4, 2020 review letter, *"Based on the statements as presented including the conference net results shared with the UGRA, the Association is in a good financial position with total cash reserves of \$ 16,282 as of March 31, 2020"* – Larry Shuh, CGA, CPA

<u>UGRA Scholarship Results</u>: The last report we have from the university was for April 30, 2019 with a closing balance of \$57,944. The April 2020 university report is to be released in October. During 2019/2020 the UGRA contributed \$1,200 to the Scholarship Fund to further enhance the financial position of the fund.



Approval of the 2020 UGRA Treasurer's Report

Motion: To approve the Treasurer's Report and Budget for 2020-2021 as presented.

Moved: Glenn White

Seconded:



Pensions Doug Badger





United Way Report Julie Hutchins – UGRA

Campus Co-Chairs Jill Ferguson Dan Gillis



UGRA ADVENTURES





Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic our adventures were few and far between but the one adventure we had was a spectacular one.

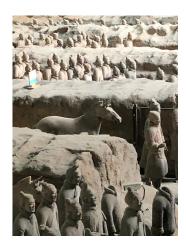
In October 27 UGRA members and their families took a 17-day guided tour of China, from Shanghai to Beijing travelling by planes boats, buses and, magnetic and bullet trains.

We saw so many beautiful sights including these highlights:

- Shanghai Museum and the Giant Bhudda.
- On the Yangtze River cruise we visited the Three Gorges Dam, the Ghost City of Fengdu and sailing through the three gorges.
- We visited the Panda Research Station at Chengdu and the Terra Cotta Warriors near Xian.
- The Great Wall of China was incredible
- Our final stops in Beijing were Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City.

I am so grateful that we were able to take this trip before the Pandemic stopped travel completely. Hopefully in a year or two we will be able to travel again.







UGRA ELECTIONS FOR 2020 – 2021

Nominations Chair – Roz Stevenson



- The UGRA has TWELVE directors who are elected for terms of two years
- A person may serve for THREE terms of 2 years, then they must take a one-year "sabbatical"



Board members who are continuing

(for a second year of their two-year term)

Cathy Ralston Frances Sharom Vikki Tremblay Sue Wi-Afedzi Julie Hutchins Janet MacInnes



2019-2020 Board members who are retiring

Kent Percival Roz Stevenson Glenn White Doug Badger Charlotte McCallum



Board member running for an additional twoyear term: Dana Paramskas

Candidates running for first year of a twoyear term: Pat Shewen Peter Krell

Toni Pellizzari



NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR???

Vote – Sue Wi-Afedzi



OFFICERS FOR 2020 – 20

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Treasurer

Past-President

Janet MacInnes

(President Elect)

Julie Hutchins

Cathy Ralston

Vikki Tremblay



Transfer of the Cowbell to the 2020-2021 President

Janet MacInnes



President's Remarks

- Thanks to:
 - Our members!
 - Departing members of the UGRA Board:
 Doug Badger, Charlotte McCallum, Kent Percival,
 Roz Stevenson, and Glenn White
 - Our incoming members of the board
 - Our university contacts



President's Remarks Cont.'d

- Hopes for 2020-2021
 - Improve communications and data management at all levels
 - Work with the university to improve "benefits"
 - Update our governance structure
 - Have exciting/fun/educational activities despite COVID
- "Ask" to the membership
 - Take advantage of our website (<u>ugra@uoguelph.ca</u>)
 - Read our emails and newsletters
 - Send us suggestions and feedback
 - Attend our events (Fall Forum Zoom on Nov. 12th)
 - Be a contributing member!



Questions and Comments



Other Business?



Meeting Adjourned

Be well, be safe, be grateful!



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