

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH RETIREES ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Thursday, June
18, 2015 10 a.m.
Arboretum Centre

1. CALL TO ORDER

UGRA president Janet Kaufman called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED Robin Davidson-Arnott **SECONDED** Jamie Snell

To approve the agenda as presented. **CARRIED**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MOVED Robin Davidson-Arnott **SECONDED** Doug Badger

To approve the minutes of the June 2014 annual general meeting as presented. **CARRIED**

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the 2014 AGM

5. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Janet Kaufman briefly outlined a few highlights of her past year as president and thanked retirees for their continued support and for their contributions towards endowment of the UGRA Scholarship Fund which has now reached nearly \$15,000. She also thanked members of the Executive for their work during the past year, particularly those who are now leaving the executive.

6. REPORTS a. Treasurer's Report and Nomination of the Auditor

i. Cathy Ralston reported total revenues of \$9,158 and expenditures of \$9,594 for 2014/15, which resulted in a deficit of \$436. This can be attributed primarily to a decrease in the number of members making a voluntary contribution. There are a number of initiatives planned for the coming year to address this issue

MOVED Cathy Ralston **SECONDED** Kent Percival

To approve the treasurer's report as presented. **CARRIED**

ii. Cathy presented a motion brought forward by the Executive to recommend an increase in the suggested contribution by members from \$20.00 to \$25.00. It was noted that there had been no change in the suggested contribution for more than ten years. It was also noted that this is a voluntary contribution.

MOVED Cathy Ralston **SECONDED** Robin Davidson-Arnott

To approve an increase in suggested membership contribution to \$25.00 **CARRIED** **iii.** Cathy presented the proposed budget for 2015-2016 which projects revenues of \$8,750 and expenditures of \$10,325 giving a deficit of \$1,575. It was noted that projected revenues did not take into account the proposed increase in suggested member contributions and the steps being undertaken to increase the numbers of members actually contributing, such as online payment using PayPal.

iii. MOVED Cathy Ralston **SECONDED** Doug Badger To approve the budget for 2015-2016 as presented **CARRIED** **iv. MOVED** Cathy Ralston **SECONDED** John Van Esch

To approve the appointment of Ken Steffler of SLK Accounting Service as UGRA auditor for 2015/16. **CARRIED**

7. Nominations

Motion: To elect Robin Davidson-Arnott to another term

MOVED David Swayne **SECONDED** Gary Frankie

Motion: To elect the slate of new executive members as presented

MOVED David Swayne **SECONDED** Gary Frankie **CARRIED**

Thom Herrmann, Peter Kevan, Frances Sharom, Judy O'Donnell, Jamie Snell and Janis RandallSimpson were elected.

8. Motion: To elect the slate of officers as presented

MOVED David Swayne **SECONDED** Gary Frankie **CARRIED**

President: Robin Davidson-Arnott

Vice-President: Kent Percival

Past President: Janet Kaufman

Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: Cathy Ralston

9. Motion: To express appreciation and thanks to Dave Swayne, Susan Evers, Dana Paramskas, Gauri Mittal, and Clive Southey for their service to the UGRA Executive and the UGRA.

MOVED Janet Kaufman **SECONDED** Robin Davidson-Arnott **CARRIED**

10. Motion: To receive the committee reports for information.

MOVED Robin Davidson-Arnott **SECONDED** Cathy Ralston **CARRIED**

11. 2015-16 President's Remarks

Robin Davidson-Arnott thanked Janet Kaufman for her two year stint as President and looked forward to working with her as Past President, with Kent Percival as Vice-President and with the new and returning members of the executive, including Jamie Snell who is taking over as Editor of the Newsletter.

12. Motion to adjourn

MOVED Susan Evers **SECONDED** Cathy Ralston **CARRIED**

The business meeting adjourned at 10:45. It was followed at 11:00 by a panel discussion with representatives from the United Steelworkers and the UGFA.

Note: These are draft minutes pending their approval at the next AGM in June 2016.