

St. Clair College Retiree Association
Annual General Meeting
May 4 2022 2:00PM
Via Zoom

MINUTES
(DRAFT)

Susan McLelland, President, presided over the meeting. Lyn Medler acted as secretary for the meeting. There were 27 people in attendance.

1. WELCOME

Sue thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She apologized that she had had to make the decision to cancel the in-person meeting but did not want to take any chances with covid numbers still high. She said she hoped that we would see each other in person at some of the upcoming events this summer.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved: Bill Totten

Seconded: Lyn Medler

CARRIED

3. COLLEGE UPDATE

John Fairley thanked the Retiree's Association for constant support to the college and President Patti.

The Sportsark will officially open this summer and will be scheduled with football, soccer, baseball and tennis. Many of the sports teams have been winning medals both provincially and nationally. Strong showings have been in cross country and men's basketball.

The GEM residence has opened and there are proposals for some new projects around the college.

The Zekelman Business "tower" will officially open on May 31st and the eSports element of that building will be running as well. On the first floor of the main building, the student center has been renovated and has been named the "Don France Student Commons Center" to honour Don France who officially retired from the SRC.

Open house in April was in-person and was well attended by people from all over the province.

The Alumni of Distinction Awards Dinner was attended by 250 people. It was video recorded and will be on the college website in the near future.

Overall, the college is financially sound with surpluses.

The three Toronto campuses are doing well.

Domestic numbers are down so there is a concerted effort to bring those numbers up. This includes discussions with the Mayors of both Windsor and Chatham-Kent.

4. Approval of Minutes of May 5, 2021

Moved: Kathy Dupuis

Seconded: Pat Taylor

CARRIED

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Sue told the attendees of some of the events of the past year. Even though the pandemic limited our get-togethers, there were a few highlights such as the pizza night at the Sportsark for a football game, the fall Chortos event and of course the Christmas Luncheon.

Going forward it is hoped that the executive meetings will once again be held at the college. A few people met in April to clean up the meeting room and it was nice to see people after all this time.

The Zoom meetings have gone well and we will continue to give this option of virtual attendance to folks who cannot make it in and to Chatham representatives.

The RA meeting will be in Chatham in June.

6. MEMORIALS

Marilyn Portt read the names of the retirees who had passed away over the last year or so and a moment of silence was observed in their memory.

June 2020-21	June 2021-22
Keith Brian	MacKenzie Robert
Casella PJ	Dube Roger
Zangari John	Cooper David
Nishizaki Syd	Jackson Charlie
Troniano George	Lynch Frank
Mocerri Frank	Davies Catherine
Michie Patricia	Artinian Margaret
Dore Margaret	Durnin Donna
Bruce Suzie	Umbenhower William
Timko Joe	Scarsbrook Judith
Bremner Joyce	Kotow-Sullivan Crystal
Robinson David	
Meysick Mary	
Trotter Helen	
Varma Parma	
Muldoon Rick	
Collins Ted	
Allen Jim	
Barat Irv	
Wass G. Arthur	
Yako Cheryl	

7. FINANCIAL REVIEW REPORT completed by Bob Braidford.

Bob was not in attendance so forwarded a letter indicating that he had found the books and finances, ending in December 2021, in excellent order and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Retiree Association.

MOTION: Accept the Financial Review as presented.

Moved: Bill Totten

Seconded: Lyn Medler

CARRIED

8. TREASURER'S REPORT/BUDGET – Dolph Barsanti

Dolph had previously emailed the financials to the attendees

- there is a balance of \$22,310 in the bank

- there is a surplus of \$3960 because the college gave the RA an extra \$2500 for the Christmas luncheon

- the budget has a deficit but as the AGM was not held in person, with no expenditures, this will bring the deficit down somewhat

MOTION: Accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Moved: Pat Taylor

Seconded: Kathy Dupuis

CARRIED

MOTION: Accept the Budget as presented

Moved: Dolph Barsanti

Seconded: Bill Totten

CARRIED

9. COORDINATORS REPORTS

Reports had been emailed to members previous to the meeting. Each coordinator gave a brief synopsis for the group.

a) Goodwill – Lori

Sent out 75 cards last year, with the majority being sympathy, get well and thinking of you. She also sent out 19 retirement cards this year.

b) Newsletter – Tony

Tony told the group that the latest one just went out by mail and email. He thanked Mike Sorrell, Bill and Ida Totten and Kathy Dupuis for helping get the newsletter **printed**, stuffed into envelopes and mailed. Ken Garber emailed it out to members and Mike Sorrell emailed it to college staff.

Sue thanked Tony for all of his hard work.

Art Rae mentioned that the digital newsletter is appreciated as it is easy to navigate through.

c) Chatham – Elizabeth

Not much has been happening because of the pandemic. The Christmas lunch was well attended.

d) Membership – Marilyn

There are payments still coming in and 360 have paid to date.

e) Social/Education – Mimi/Pat

Upcoming events are: Oxley Winery, June 22nd; Wine and Colour will be some time in July or August; the annual fall luncheon at the Chortos farm and the Christmas lunch which is planned to be on December 10th this may change because of the matinee for the play.

Kathy thanked Pat and Mimi for their efforts in keeping everyone engaged over the last 2 years with email contests and events. Sue announced that Mimi would be stepping down and thanked her for all of her hard work and wished her well on behalf of the association.

f) Archive Project – Bill Totten

Bill told the attendees that over the last two years there had been many archive items donated and the meeting room tables were piled with this stuff. A few of the association folks had gone in to clear up what they could, however, a lot more work needs to be done to organize the items. He asked for anyone who would like to help, to meet on Monday mornings with Lea Garber who is the coordinator for the archives.

g) Fundraising/donations – Jim Chambers

Nothing in 2021 except the scholarships totaling \$1050 and \$400 to Woodland Hills which is a donation but also allows for retirees to play golf there free through the season.

10. NOMINATION REPORT – Kathy Dupuis

Kathy asked if there were any nominations for any of the executive positions. No nominations were offered.

Nominations closed

The following slate of Officers was presented:

President: Susan McLelland

Vice President: Brian Hucker

Secretary: Lyn Medler

Treasurer: Dolph Barsanti

Membership Secretary: Marilyn Portt

Ex-officio

Past President: Kathy Dupuis

President Emeritus: Bill Totten

MOTION: Accept the slate of officers as presented:

Moved: Bill Totten

Seconded: Pat Taylor

CARRIED

The above list will be the Executive for the Association for the next year.

Committee Chairs will be appointed at the next Executive Meeting.

Those standing for Committee Chairs are:

Lea Garber	Archives
Ken Garber	Email Coordinator
Ann Korenic	Communications Coordinator
Elizabeth Barr	Thames Representative
Dale Jarrell	Thames Representative
Pat Taylor	Social
Tony Ellul	Newsletter
Lori Caba	Goodwill
Bill Jones	Board Observer
Jim Martin	OCRA Representative (until June 2022)

11. NEW BUSINESS

Upcoming Events

These were discussed previously under Social.

Petrolia – Marilyn Portt

Marilyn told the group that she has 20 tickets for the play in August and will need to know by July 1st. She asked for a show of hands on whether or not people thought 20 people would buy tickets.

She said she will put an email together and ask Ken to send it out to all members.

Closing – Sue McLelland

Sue thanked Mimi, Jim Martin and Jim Chambers for their service and hard work over the years.

She said if anyone is interested in the OCRA position to ask Jim about being on the OCRA board.

Jim Chambers said he will stay on with the Scholarship Committee. He said since he retired in 2005 he has been involved with the executive in some form so would like to continue working with the scholarship group.

End of formal meeting. Social time continued via Zoom.