

Memorial University of Newfoundland Pensioners Association
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Holiday Inn, Portugal Road
June 12, 2015

Bob Lucas, President, chaired the meeting which commenced at 1:30 p.m. following a short presentation by Ms. Jennifer O'Neill, Associate Director, Alumni Affairs and Development.

1. Agenda for this Meeting

It was moved by Rod Campbell and seconded by Herb Gaskell that the agenda, be approved. Carried

2. Minutes of the Previous AGM

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting of June 12, 2014 were considered. It was moved by Maurice Brewster and seconded by Sharron Buhler that the minutes, as presented, be approved. Carried

3. President's Report

Bob Lucas reviewed the highlights of the previously circulated President's Report. Congratulating the 2014 MUNPA Tribute Award recipients, Dr. Jean Briggs and Dr. Evan Simpson, he encouraged members to nominate appropriate individuals for the 2015 Award(s). Nominations are now being received and will close July 3rd. The second MUNPA scholarship was awarded in December while the fund is continuing to grow. Members of the Services to Members Committee, both in St. John's and Corner Brook were commended for the program of events that was put into place during the past year.

Communications remain a challenge, with email addresses for some 600+ members not on file with the Association. In order to contact all members, the Board has decided to mail out two issues of *Your Voice* each year, the first at MUNPA expense, the second accompanying a Human Resources mailing of health benefits information. MUNPA is very appreciative of HR support in this area.

Free parking in lots 16/16A is no longer available following commencement of site preparation for the new Science building. New parking policies are under development. MUNPA will keep members informed through *Your Voice*.

Bob thanked Board members and Gwyn Barrowman for their support during his term as President of MUNPA; his term ends with appointment of new Board.

The President's Report and other documents circulated at the AGM are available on the MUNPA website <http://www.mun.ca/munpa>

4. Treasurer's Report

Sharon Rose presented the Treasurer's Report, referring to the previously circulated [Statement of Financial Position](#), [Statement of Revenue and Expenditures](#), and Budget 2015/20156.

Thanking Roland Burke, CGA, for his review of the Association's financial statements for fiscal year ending March 31, 2015, she first highlighted aspects of the Statement of Financial position. It was noted that the financial statements did not include in-kind support from Memorial University.

The proposed 20154/2016 budget was presented. In response to a question from the floor Bob Lucas indicated that Gwyn Barrowman was not an employee of MUNPA but rather provided administrative support services on a contractual basis.

It was moved by Harold Squires and seconded by Herb Gaskell that the report and proposed budget be accepted. Carried

5. Committee Reports

The reports from the various MUNPA committees were available prior to the meeting.

Bob Lucas presented each report in turn and thanked the committees for their work during the year.

Some discussion of implications for the MUN pension plan arising from the recent Provincial budget followed. A proposed University response to this issue will be presented to the Board of Regents at its July meeting.

It was moved by Grant Gardner and seconded by Carolyn Emerson that the committee reports be received. Carried

6. Nominations Committee

Barbara Cox presented the report of the Nominations Committee.

The following persons, were nominated by the Committee,

- President, Grant Gardner (Biology/Office of VP Academic; joined the Board in 2014)
- Past President, Bob Lucas (Chemistry /Dean of Science; joined the Board in 2011)
- Vice President, Rod Campbell (Office of VP Admin and Finance; joined the Board in 2014)
- Secretary, Peter Fisher (Marine Institute; joined the Board in 2013)
- Treasurer, Cynthia Whalen (Facilities Management; not currently a Board member)

Members at large:

- Penny Allderdice (Medicine; not currently a Board member)
- Lois Batemen (Biology, Grenfell Campus; not currently a Board member)
- Karyn Butler (Geography; not currently a Board member)

- Joe Byrne (Registrar's Office; not currently a Board member)
- Jane Foltz (Computer Science/Office of the VP (Academic); not currently a Board member)
- Dorothy Milne (Q.E. II Library; joined the Board in 2014)
- Catherine Penney (Psychology; not currently a Board member)
- David Thompson (Philosophy; not currently a Board member)
- Patrick Tyler (Marketing and Communications; not currently a Board member)
- Steve Wolinetz (Political Science; not currently a Board member)

There were no further nominations from the floor. All those nominated were declared elected to the Board

Bob Lucas thanked the retiring Board members for their service.

7. Members' Forum

There was further discussion related to parking for MUNPA members for the upcoming year. The Board will keep members informed.

Grant Gardner thanked Bob Lucas for his contributions as President of MUNPA.

No further issues were raised.

8. Adjournment

It was moved by Harold Squires, seconded severally, that the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

Peter Fisher, Secretary