

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED UPEI EMPLOYEES
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2017
AVC LECTURE THEATRE A
1:30PM**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER	Peggy Leahey
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM, 2016	Peggy Leahey
BUSINESS ARISING	Peggy Leahey
PRESIDENT'S REPORT	Peggy Leahey
TREASURER'S REPORT	Norine Hanus
PROPOSED CHANGES TO CONSTITUTION	Wayne Cutcliffe
NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT	Bob Mahen
MINUTE OF SILENCE FOR DECEASED MEMBERS	Peggy Leahey
NEW BUSINESS	Peggy Leahey
ADJOURNMENT	

RECEPTION AVC COMMONS ROOM

Catch up with fellow retirees while enjoying light refreshments.

**Minutes of
Annual General Meeting
Association of Retired UPEI Employees
Friday, November 24, 2017 - 1:30 pm
AVC Lecture Room A**

Present: David Cairns, Rosaleen Chaisson, Ron Collins, Sharon Cregier, Wayne Cutcliffe, Shirley Dillon, Doreen Foster, Albert Gosbee, Frances Gray, James Hancock, Ed Hanus, Norine Hanus, Ronald Irving, Peggy Leahey, Michael Liu, Grant MacDonald, Ian MacDonald, Robert Mahen, Kaye Martell, Marion Morrison, Georgina Mulligan, Glenn Palmer, Terry Pratt, Andrew Robb, Kathleen Ross, Verner Smitheram, Meredith Trainor

1. Agenda

The Call to Order was given by Peggy as she welcomed the 27 members in attendance. She indicated that the Minutes of the last AGM meeting had been sent out in advance for members perusal. Peggy thanked Wayne for arranging the projector and screen so that the information could be followed more easily.

It was moved by Terry Pratt, seconded by Ron Collins that the agenda be approved as presented. No discussion. Motion carried.

2. Minutes of Previous AGM 2016

Peggy asked for a motion to approve the minutes of 2016's AGM, indicating that it had been 20 years since the association was formed.

Moved by Fran Gray, seconded Doreen Foster. Approved

3. Business Arising

a) **Meeting Date** - Last year the executive hoped to get the AGM meeting back to the month of October, however looking back through previous years it appeared that the AGM has been held more in November and December than earlier. On second consideration, as you might have noticed in the proposed constitution revisions it indicates November as the executive's recommended date.

b) **Contact System** - We continue to have complications contacting UPEI retirees. Several of these are with technical and policy issues. We are doing what we can to address these issues with the University and on our own systems.

c) **University's Security Systems** - We understand that several persons were unable to open recent email or they could not open the attachments. We apologize for the problems this has caused. If you have not already done so, please put your name on the sign-in sheet, along with any changes there might be to your contact information.

d) **Parking** – There is nothing that can be done about the parking problem. There is so little space available. Mention was made of possible parking at the Bell Aliant Centre, although some people had problems with this space. It was suggested that maybe we should check out the Alumni (former Marks Work Warehouse) building, or have a designated lot possibly by the soccer field for free when the gates are open. The idea of possibly using a sticker of some sort with UPEI Retirees Assn on it was put forth. The executive will further explore the needs of the group. It was noted that the group was treated more informally in the past, however, there is more formality when meeting the parking and meeting space needs of the retirees.

4. President's Report

Peggy reminded those present that this is the Twentieth Anniversary since the formation of the UPEI Retirees Association. Time passes quickly and the past year was no exception.

- 1) In early December 2016 we were saddened by the passing of Barbara Mullaly, our Secretary, who was a great supporter of the Association and held everything together in her pleasant and effective way.
- 2) On February 24th we had a good turnout for our winter get-together. We started with a guided tour through the new Faculty of Sustainable Design Engineering. This was followed by a nice warm luncheon. Everyone appeared to enjoy themselves with several staying around to catch up with friends.
- 3) We were pleased to hold our Annual Spring Social on June 19th under the new name “The UPEI Retirees Annual Ferne and Murray Stevenson Spring Social”. Although attendance was lower than previous years as some member did not get the notice, those who attended enjoyed themselves, the food, the friendship – and the prizes.
- 4) Space has been made available in the Alumni office (old Mark’s Work Warehouse) where we can hold our executive meetings. This will be of great benefit to board members with mobility issues.
- 5) CURAC continues to support its member institutions in the area of Health Care for Seniors. It has also expressed an interest in holding a conference on PEI, which we will be exploring with them.
- 6) Challenges continue to be a problem in retaining members and recruiting new ones. In particular recent retirees do not seem to be interested in joining the association. We will be looking at new ways to overcome this problem.
- 7) Looking forward to this year, our objectives are:
 - a. Continuing to address communication issues with the membership.
 - b. Finding new ways to retain and increase our retiree membership.
 - c. Monitoring expenses versus income.
 - d. Exploring facilities for CURAC Convention.

Peggy thanked the executive for their effort and support. She indicated that she didn’t know what she would have done without their assistance with our events, and thanked them for attending events, participating on the Executive and supporting the group as it moves into the next twenty years.

5. **Treasurer’s Report**

Norine Hanus reported on the financial statement of the Association as follows:

Total Income \$3,355.28, Total Expenses \$2,606.69,

Bank balance on November 24, 2017 was \$748.59.

She noted that the current CURAC fees have yet to be paid.

(Refer to attached Financial Statement)

She advised that there are 50 paying members, and no recent retirees have joined the Association. The question was asked as to the number of retirees overall. The definite number is not known at this time. Peggy outlined the difficulty in procuring this information due to the privacy regulation. It was suggested that the unions be contacted for this information, except executive. We need to approach the executive to provide this information. Peggy outlined the system used by the Faculty Association.

6. **Proposed Changes to Constitution**

Wayne addressed the changes to the constitution as distributed in an email from Peggy. He noted new information added is highlighted in yellow and items deleted are in red. There was a comment regarding the new “Associate Membership” category. Peggy clarified that the Executive approves these changes.

It was noted that the Vice-President would commit to a 6-year term.
 Moved to adopt by Wayne Cutcliffe, seconded by Fran Gray. No discussion. Approved.
 It was noted that the changes to the Constitution will apply now and in the future.

7. Nominating Committee Report

Bob Mahen introduced the committee report and presented the following slate of officers:

President	Peggy Leahey	2-year term
Vice President	Wayne Cutcliffe	2-year term
Secretary	Doreen Foster	2-year term
Treasurer	Norine Hanus	1-year term
Director	Velma Affleck	1-year term
Director	David Cairns	1-year term
Director	Ron Collins	2-year term
Director	Fran Gray	2-year term
Director	Kaye Ross	2-year term

The Executive stands elected as there were no further nominations.

It was noted that Velma Affleck serves as a retiree staff representative on the UPEI Supplementary Health Care Trust.

Peggy praised Barb Mullaly for her outstanding service to the Association. Bob also gave Peggy a commendation for her efforts during the past two years which were under difficult situations as Barb had done so much of the work herself and was familiar with the details.

8. Minute of Silence for Deceased Members

Peggy advised that **nine** UPEI retirees have passed away since our last AGM, a moment of silence was taken for:

Gerald Arsenault,	Fr. Francis Bolger,	Harry Love,	David Morrison,
Barbara Mullaly,	Mujeeb Rahman,	Russell Stewart,	Bert Tersteeg,
Joanne Veer.			

9. New Business

Peggy asked if there was any new business.

Ron Collins suggested that Wayne Peters be invited to attend the next meeting to make a presentation on the Pension Plan. He noted that the Pension Plan is now 92% funded.

Peggy thanked everyone for attending and invited members to gather in the Commons Room for some refreshments and conversation with your friends and colleagues.

10. Adjournment

Terry Pratt motioned for adjournment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Ross
 Acting Secretary

ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED U.P.E.I. EMPLOYEES

Financial Statement: November 2, 2016 to November 24, 2017

Balance forward		1,141.77
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INCOME

Membership fees	1,740.00	
February luncheon	345.00	
BBQ	128.00	
Bank interest	.51	

Income	2,213.51	
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Total Income		3,355.28
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EXPENSES

2016 AGM luncheon	340.92	
Flowers for B. Mullaly	65.55	
CURAC fees	47.25	
February luncheon	490.74	
Speaker	50.00	
Postage	137.78	
Cheque blanks	50.95	
Bank charges	10.00	
BBQ	1,413.50	

Total expenses		2,606.69
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Balance in the bank on November 24, 2017		748.59
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