

LUE Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2015

Present: John Bonsall, Alice Davis, Loretta Fines, Mariann Glynn, Audra Hudek, Gerry Keating, John MacMillan, Ann McElhinney, John Page, Glen Yaffee.

Regrets: Mariann Glynn. Guest: Shirley Hartt

1. Call to order: President Gerry Keating called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

2. Approval of minutes of last Meeting: October 20, 2015

Moved by Ann McElhinney and Glen Yaffee that the minutes be approved subject to an amendment that the motion passed under item 8.7 include reference to the board decision to review all registration and fee privileges currently in effect. Carried

3. Business arising from the minutes:

1. Loretta Fines reported that the ad hoc committee constituted under item 4, recommends that Shirley Hartt be appointed chair of the curriculum committee and a member of the LU board of directors. Moved by Loretta Fines and seconded by John Page that Shirley Hartt be appointed chair of the curriculum committee and a member of the LU board of directors. Carried

2. John Bonsall reported that his wife Pat Bonsall and Mariann Glynn would prepare a draft recommendation for a recognition program for the board's consideration next year.

4. Correspondence: There was no correspondence.

5. B.O.D. Meeting Schedule for the 2015-2016 year October 20, November 10, December 8, January 12, February 9, March 8 A.G.M. March 22, 2016

6. Treasurer's Report: See attached Treasurer's Report. John Page tabled a statement of revenue, expenses and change in net assets for the 10 months ending October 31, 2015. He noted the return to profitability due to a revenue increase and a reduction in the registration and printing expenses. Moved by John page and seconded by Loretta Fines that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Carried

7. Committee Reports:

6.1 Audio Visual; Report attached. A discussion ensued about the need to replace the AV computer in the near future. A motion to approve the replacement subject to an upset limit of \$1500 was deferred pending a report back from the AV committee detailing the computer options available and their recommendation for a replacement.

6.2 Curriculum: Report Attached. The committee expects to have the course summaries for the fall 2016 lectures available by the AGM.

6.3 Fellowship: It was noted that this committee no longer functions and that the sending of flowers and cards in the case of illness was limited to volunteers and board members and that it was up to all board members themselves to ensure that this occurred.

6.4 Publicity: No report but it was noted that the approved board minutes would be posted on the LU website beginning in the near future.

6.5 Registration: No report other than to note the start of the winter 2016 registration on Friday November 13 and 20.

6.6 Social; No report but the shortage of volunteers for the winter 2016 Tuesday lecture was noted. This prompted a discussion on how more volunteers could be recruited and the suggestion that the coffee and tea service should be discontinued if no volunteers could be found to send a message to the membership. It was also noted that the registration committee will be sending a welcome email to all new members after the upcoming registration and that in the future this might be extended to seek volunteers for the social and other committees.

6.7 Third Age Network: Report attached.

6.8 Nominations Committee; See above item 3. Moved by Roger Weaver and seconded by Audra Hudek that the committee reports be accepted. Carried

8. New Business: Gerry Keating reported that the parking situation at Fairfield was becoming a problem with the increase in activities at the centre. It was agreed that to start with an email would be sent from the President to all Wednesday registrants urging them to carpool where

possible on Wednesday November 18 and December 9 when bus trips would be using the Fairfield parking.

9. Next Meeting: December 8, 2015

9. Adjournment: Gerry Keating declared the meeting adjourned at 13:30.

Approved on_____

President_____ Secretary_____

Treasurers Report Committee Reports to the November 10 Board Meeting
Audio Visual Report Jennifer Denomme, who is an Etobicoke LU member, has joined our AV team as a consultant. She will be on call (by appointment or as available) to help us fix immediate computer problems that from time to time emerge, though she will not be part of the set-up team. Our computer has become quite old, and slow. Though we are functioning with it, it takes longer than ever to set up and our problems will only grow over time. A new computer is recommended. My thanks to all our AV volunteers. Our combined experience and reliability has helped me continue to learn the intricacies of the equipment including after I became the team leader. Submitted by: John Macmillan Curriculum The Curriculum Committee met on Thursday, November 5, 2015. New member Glenn Yaffee was welcomed to the Committee. There were brief reports on the current courses: A Year in the Life of the Supreme Court of Canada Eight Great Symphonies Great Western Architects The consensus was that these courses were going well, with positive feedback. Outlines for the winter 2016 courses are now available. Tues. Daft Craft: Beyond Dried Macaroni and Orange Yarn Two of the speakers for this course are from out of town and may require additional expense money. Dorothy DeHaas is looking into this. Wed. The North Thurs. Thinking About Civilizations: Ten Lessons on the History of Humanity The priority for the meeting was the Fall 2016 courses. To date, one course was approved: Tuesdays, Eight Defining Trends of the 21st Century, by David Olive. Committee members are investigating two other possibilities: Influential Canadians Who Shaped the 20th Century Dr. Daniel Laxer The Story Behind the Story: Books and the Silver Screen Eliseo Zombanti, head of the Rexdale Branch of the Toronto Public Library. Submitted by Shirley Hartt TAN A response was forwarded to TAN which was requesting information regarding the cost and nature of insurance for member organizations. TAN is exploring the feasibility of getting group quotes for members at a reduced price. I attended a meeting yesterday of TAN along with Gerry Keating and Loretta Fines. The meeting opened with a review of the history of TAN, a review of

the “Big Picture” of third age learning in different parts of the world, the purpose and vision of TAN Benefits of membership and an overview of networks. This was followed by group discussions to address the following questions; What are the benefits of TAN for your organization? What do you think TAN should be working on? How can you (and your organization) contribute to TAN’s future? Have you been able to take advantage of network organizations and if yes, how? Member groups were asked to indicate on their websites that they are members of TAN and have links to the TAN website. TAN is seeking members with specific skills to work on various committees. They have asked that member groups canvas their membership to find potential candidates. There are two new member groups based in Kingston and Woodstock that have joined TAN. TAN now has 26 group members representing in excess of 10,000 individual members. Submitted by Roger Weaver.