# Learning Unlimited Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES March 12, 2020

Present: Glenn Yaffee, John Page, Ann McElhinney, Yash Sthankiya, Jim Darling, Roger

Weaver, John MacMillan, Shirley Hartt, Deb Forsyth-Petrov, & Audra Hudek

Regrets: John Bonsall & Wendy Ryerson

1. Call to Order: 12:00

**2. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting**: Moved by Deb Forsyth-Petrov, seconded by Shirley Hartt Approved

# 3. Business arising from the Minutes of February 13, 2020

3.1 Summary of Board Members' Common Duties/Responsibilities

All Board Directors commit themselves to LU's mission and programs and actively participate in the development of Board policies and procedures by keeping up to date with pertinent issues and trends and thinking strategically about the implications of the items under discussion. In particular, they will become familiar with the LU By-law and the duties and responsibilities of a Director described therein. They understand the time required to be an effective Board Member and agree to provide this time and to participate in special projects or *ad hoc* Board Committees as needed. They commit to maintain confidentiality, to recuse themselves in the case of a conflict of interest; and to use collaborative communication and interpersonal skills.

The above summary was discussed and will remain as is unless change is indicated next year.

Moved by Roger Weaver, seconded by Deb Forsyth-Petrov - Approved

# 4. Correspondence:

- **4.1** The Ontario Not-For-Profit Corporations Act changes will not come into effect in the near future, and not-for-profit corporations will continue to be governed by the Ontario Corporations Act.
- **4.2** Potential Fairfield lock out status: See item 7.

## 5. Treasurer's Report: Report attached

5.1 The speaker for the Thursday lecture was ill and could not attend. He supplied a video and he will be paid

5.2 In the event of cancellations due to virus, the speakers will be paid.

# 6. Committee Reports:

#### 6.1 Audio-Visual

- i) Audio Visual: Len Klochek, who is a knowledgeable and active member of the committee will assume the Chair role in the Fall.
- ii) One microphone is sometimes malfunctioning due to out of date bandwidth. However, there is a spare mike and a replacement is not needed now. At a future point, all microphones will be replaced at the approximate cost of \$350.00 each.

## 6.2 Curriculum:

- i) The speaker for the *Splendor and Opulence* series is not available for the first lecture, but will combine two days content to cover material in 7 lectures. Tuesday lecture for the Winter of 20/21 is needed
- ii) On November 11, 2020 John Sheppard will speak briefly acknowledging Remembrance Day.
- iii) Jerry Keating, who has been a valuable member of the committee has resigned from the Curriculum committee.

# **6.3** Registration: No report

#### 6.4 Social:

- i) New volunteers have been added to the committee.
- ii) There are cookies left that can be sold.

#### 6.5 Third Age Network:

i) Member organizations have questions regarding cancellations due to the virus. Glenn will update TAN on decisions made by our organization.

# 6.6 Nominating Committee: See report:

**Moved:** That an exception to the bylaw limiting boards members to serving 5 years be allowed when 50% of the board would be replaced in one year. The term of a board member could be extended by one year.

Moved by Roger Weaver, seconded by Jim Darling Approved

#### 7. New Business:

7.1 Potential Fairfield lock out status

Parks and Recreation inside employees' contract expired December 31, 2019, and they will be in a legal strike position one minute past midnight on March 14th, 2020. Outside workers have settled their contract and the inside employees likely will as well.

- **7.2 Proposed LU Discussion Group:** Yash will form a committee to look into the feasibility of establishing a discussion group
- 7.3 The situation arising from the Covid19 was discussed and given the epidemiological evidence, the consensus was that cancellations were necessary for the protection of our members and speakers.

#### Motion:

Moved that the lectures of the week of March 16 will be cancelled and the AGM postponed until the fall due to the threat of the Covid19. Moved by John Page, seconded by Deb Forsyth-Petrov - Passed

Glenn will compose a notice regarding the cancellation to be posted on the website and emailed to all members.

- **8. Next Meeting:** to be arranged prior to the beginning of the fall lectures.
- 9. Adjournment: 1:30 pm