

Eighth Annual General Meeting (AGM) October 17, 2022 – 12:05 pm. Zoom hosted by Michael Wosnick

MINUTES

Welcome

- President Michael Wosnick called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.
- He explained that all attendees are on both audio and video so they can participate in the meeting if they choose to.
- Approximately 16 people attended (including all Board members, and it was confirmed that a Quorum was present).
- Michael moved that the AGM Agenda be approved and Phyllis Ryall seconded this motion. Approved.
- The agenda is available under the NEWS tab on the talyr.ca website.

• Minutes of October 25, 2021

- Heather MacKay moved that the minutes of the Oct. 25th 2021 AGM meeting, distributed previously through email, be approved as distributed. Carole Langford seconded this. Approved.
- The minutes are available under the NEWS tab on the talyr.ca website.

President's Report

- Michael Wosnick's report deals with the following topics
 - The May survey was responded to by 166 TALYR members which Michael reminded everyone is a snapshot in time. These responses may or may not reflect the opinions of the membership when requested again in 2023.
 - The May survey responses indicated that the majority of members wanted the Fall 2022 series to again be conducted via Zoom. Only 30% of respondents wanted to see a return to in-person lectures even if we are post COVID.
 - There were high ratings for the FALL 2021 and Winter and Spring 2022 lectures series. All were conducted via Zoom and were free of charge except for the Spring series. By the Spring TALYR no longer had the budget to continue offering free lectures. It was noted that the Fall 2022 series only charges per unique device instead of per person.
 - Venues for possible in-person lectures in 2023 were reviewed. The Aurora Cultural Centre is still closed for renovations with no definite



opening date at this point. The Cineplex Odeon theatre in Aurora is still a temporary option.

- We were fortunate to add Mary Baxter as a new Board member to our Board of Directors. We are also happy to have Phyllis Ryall added to our Programme Committee.
- It was emphasized by Michael that volunteers for both the Board and the Programme Committee are still very much needed to help distribute the workload required to operate TALYR.
- The President's Report is available under the NEWS tab on the talyr.ca website.

• Financial Statement and Report

- Treasurer Carole Langford discussed the financial review by William Hogarth (CPA-CGA) for TALYR year ending June 30, 2022. He completed the Statement of Financial Position of TALYR and the Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets Unaudited. This financial statement is also available under the NEWS tab on the talyr.ca website.
- Carole mentioned that all those who both registered for this year's Spring Speaker series and paid for the cancelled 2020 Spring Speaker series, had their fees paid by TALYR using the deferred fees from 2020.
- Carole noted that after expenses we have net assets of \$2, 702 for the financial year ending June 2022.
- TALYR's total liabilities and surplus is \$17,968 for the financial year ending June 2022.
- One of the members, Tom Sagar, asked what was covered by the insurance cost. Carole responded that the insurance was required for the board of directors as well as liability insurance for the lecture venue. The venue insurance is part of the insurance package even though we haven't required a venue since the pandemic.
- Carole Langford made a motion to accept the Financial Statement and Mary Baxter seconded this motion. Approved.
- The Financial Statements are available under the NEWS tab on the talyr.ca website.

• Slate of Board Directors and Select or Renew Board Positions

- Michael Wosnick showed the slate of proposed board directors for 2022-2023
 - Mary Baxter
 - Blair Day
 - Carole Langford
 - Heather MacKay
 - Kathy Wosnick



- Michael Wosnick
- Michael asked that we make a motion to accept/elect the slate of board directors.
- Tom Sagar noted that it is more appropriate if the motion is made by someone other than the directors being proposed. Michael agreed and Tom made a motion to approve the slate of board directors. Phyllis seconded the motion. Approved
- Michael also explained that the following board officers are being continued or renewed. The renewals currently reflect the fact that no one else has come forward to fill these roles.
 - President Michael Wosnick (continuing current President)
 - Corporate Secretary Heather MacKay (renewing for 1 year)
 - Treasurer Carole Langford (renewing for 1 year)
- The Slate of Board Directors and Board Positions for selection or renewal is also available under the NEWS tab on the talyr.ca website.

New Business

- No new business was brought forward.
- Tom Sagar asked how widespread is TAN and what is their function.
 - Michael, who is now TALYR's TAN representative, explained that TAN is an Ontario organization that currently has 27 Third Age Learning members, such as TALYR.
 - TAN's function is one of communication and organization for the TAN members. One example of TAN's role is that they organized a committee, that included lawyers, to understand speaker copyright issues. As a result of the committee's research, guidelines were created for all TAN members when recording lectures with the speaker's permission.
- Lucy Reid asked if TAN recruits our speakers, or if there is a circuit of touring speakers, like musical entertainment tours, that we can use. Michael explained this was not the case. Instead each of the Programme Committee members looks for speakers of interest who have been recommended or they have personally heard. If these prospective speakers meet specific criteria, we then approach them about speaking to TALYR members.

<u>Adjournment</u>

• The meeting was adjourned by Michael at 12:45 pm.