



THIRD AGE LEARNING - YORK REGION

Sixth Annual General Meeting

October 19, 2020 – NOON

AGM via Zoom

MINUTES

1. Welcome:

President Barrie Braiden welcomed all board members and TALYR general members to the Sixth Annual AGM.

2. Adoption of Minutes - AGM September 9th, 2019:

Moved by Michael Wosnick.
Seconded by Barrie Braiden.

3. Adoption of Revised By-Laws:

Volunteer Board Members will each be assigned a three year term.

Moved by Kathy Wosnick.
Seconded by Barrie Braiden.

4. President's Report:

Barrie Braiden read his report.

President's Report

Having completed my third year as President of TALYR Inc., I look back on the excellent 2019 FALL Series, live and in person at the Aurora Cultural Centre and on the 2020 Spring Series which was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The 7 Fall speakers provided us with well-presented and highly rated lectures. I congratulate the Program Committee, chaired by Carole Langford for that excellent series which the Membership raved about through their survey comments and personal feedback.

The pandemic called upon extraordinary measures in our lives and in our series: we were planning to hold the 2020 Spring Series in the Aurora Cineplex Theatres but they shut down as well. So, we offered up a free series in the Spring of 2021, hopefully in person, unlike the free, new virtual ZOOM Fall 2020 series.



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The popularity of “Third Age Network” learning groups continues to grow so well, that everyone’s series are quickly sold out. For TALYR, this fiscal year was a first for the FALL 2019 Series: we sold out in one day! Another interesting series began today and we appreciate the ongoing support of the Membership.

Since our last AGM, we enrolled 61 new members for a total of 299 Members. The Aurora Cultural Centre has been a wonderful host to our series. And we look forward to future in-person lectures at the Aurora Cineplex on Bayview Avenue, until the new Aurora Cultural Centre reopens.

I would like to thank all of the Board Members and volunteers who create and run these series based on the Membership survey input, tirelessly working to ensure engaging and stimulating lectures, where you come to learn something new, to hear new stories and to start new conversations.

I would like to welcome a new Board Member, Marylou Miner, who brings great credentials and humour to our organization as we undergo evolving changes in a virtual world of Board Meetings and Lectures.

As we migrate to this new lecture platform, we will keep you informed about the upcoming series, The Cineplex and about the new Aurora Cultural Centre, as the new facility is built.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the TALYR Board of Directors and Volunteers, enabling us to prosper and to continue to bring informative and meaningful lectures series after series.

Barrie Braiden
President, Third Age Learning – York Region Inc.

5. Financial Statement and Report:

Treasurer Carole Langford presented her report and noted that it is available for viewing on the TALYR website.

Motion to accept by Carole Langford.
Seconded by Barrie Braiden.

Carole Langford also put forth a motion to appoint William Hogarth as independent auditor for the coming year.

Seconded by Barrie Braiden.



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6. Selection of New Board Positions:

Motion to appoint Michael Wosnick as President by Carole Langford.
Seconded by Barrie Braiden.
All approved.

7. Request from Heather Mackay for assistance with the Secretary's Position.

Marylou Miner volunteered.
Seconded by Barrie Braiden.

8. Moved by Barrie Braiden that Carole Langford continue as Treasurer.

Seconded by Marylou Miner.

9. New Business:

A question arose from a general member regarding access to the Speaker Survey. Kathy Wosnick replied that the survey had been sent to all registered members, and that a second mailing would be sent at the end of the 2020 Fall Series.

10. Barrie Braiden moved to Adjourn the Meeting.

Seconded by Carole Langford.

Addendum:

Barrie Braiden moved to invite general TALYR members to volunteer for a Board Member position.

Seconded by Michael Wosnick.
