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University of King's College Alumni Association

Annual General Meeting

Saturday, 25 May 2019

9:30 a.m.

Boardroom, Second Floor

Arts & Administration Building

University of King's College

6350 Coburg Road

Present: Jen Laurette, Paul Thomson, Stuart Pattillo, Alyssa Feir, Victor Bomers, Lindsay Cameron Wilson, Jennifer MacLeod, Stephanie McGrath, Ian Whytock, Rachel Cadman, Ben Kates, Adriane Abbott, Kathy Miller

Peter O'Brien, Yolana Wassersug, Steven Wilson, Andrew MacDonald, Lois Miller, Ian Johnson, Robert Petite, Robert Hyslop, Borden Conrad, Lesley-Anne Steeleworthy

Regrets: Beth McNeil, Bill Lahey, Levi Clarkson, Jonna Brewer, Paula Altenburg, John Leefe, Cynthia Pilichos, Mary Barker

1. College Prayer read by Paul Thomson

2. Necrology list read by Lois Miller

Nigel Armstrong, (BA'84)

Beryl (Whalen) Balcom, (BA'46)

Anne Bruce, (Friend of the College)

Edward Burn, (DCL'91)

Kadri (Oolo) Campbell, (BA'66)

James Cochran, 1963

Janet Cochran, 1959

Kathleen (Spurr) Cox, 1941

Jacqueline (Leinster Denham) Dale, (BSc'52)

George Daley, (BA'93)

J. Trevor Eyton, Former King's Chancellor, (DCL'02)

Robert Fowler, 1960

Richard Gallagher, (Friend of the College)

William Hody, (BA'83)

Arthur Irwin, (Friend of the College)

Eric MacKay, (BA'66)
Elizabeth MacQuade, (BJ'88)
Audrey Parker, (1986)
C.B. (Chuck) Piercey, (BA'57)
Earle Ripley, (BSc'53)
Wendy (Harrison) Siteman, 1990
Murdock Smith, 1958
Ruth Smith, (BA'76)

3. Alumni Association President's welcome and introductions

Jen Laurette welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

She noted that the Association will be putting out a call to invite volunteers to join committees.

The WAC was a success. There were 27 events worldwide. Jen acknowledged Stephanie McGrath for the communication and marketing work done for WAC. This year, the WAC celebration will take place on October 17. Jen invited alumni to consider hosting or joining an event. It doesn't need to be a large event. She gave the example of a "morning coffee and croissants" event that she hosted at Queens University.

The 230th Encaenia took place on May 23, 2019. Paul Thomson and Elizabeth Ryan presented alumni pins and welcomed the graduates into the Alumni Association. The Association also sponsored a barbecue in the Quad for graduates during Grad Week.

Jen noted that today is the first King's Alumni Day. In changing the timing of the AGM to spring, the executive asked what else can we do to improve attendance. So, following the AGM meeting there will be the brunch in Prince Hall – at which the alumni awards will be presented. Later during the afternoon there will be a FYP Lecture, campus tour, and the Wardroom renovation celebrations.

The Golf tournament will be held on August 15, 2019 at Granite Springs Golf Club.

4. Approval of the Minutes of Annual General Meeting, 20 September 2018

Motion: (Lindsay Cameron Wilson/Stephanie McGrath) to approve the minutes of September 20, 2018 AGM as circulated. Carried.

5. Advancement Director's Remarks

The President will give a wonderful synopsis of the University's year and a look ahead a little later at the brunch. Adriane spoke to the activities of communications, marketing, advancement and fundraising at the University.

Yolana Wassersug spoke to touch points between alumni relations and recruitment. King's knows that word of mouth is one of the most important pillars in the way we deliver the story of what King's can be for young students. Yolana thanked alumni for taking the time to speak to young people about King's and sharing with their social networks and communities. She also thanked alumni for sharing King's content on social media and sharing their connection with King's on social media, in places such as LinkedIn.

Adriane noted that King's alumni had completed an alumni survey with Academica Group. There was a 17% participation rate, which Academica says is fantastic. King's has not yet received the results from the survey, but preliminary results are expected at the end of May. The alumni and friends section of the website is receiving an update. It will become less static and more engaging.

Tidings magazine is exploring going digital. King's has reached a point where the younger alumni are asking for it in a more environmentally friendly format. It also makes the most sense financially to move to a digital format. There are going to be enhanced features with a digital format, including multimedia content that you wouldn't get from a paper edition. For example recorded speeches and lectures can be included.

On the fundraising front, estate giving has made an enormous difference to King's in this past year. The impact has been extraordinary, and we will be doing more to encourage alumni to consider a legacy gift.

The Wardroom and the donors who made the most recent renovations possible will be celebrated this afternoon.

Ian Johnson thanked Adriane and her team for the alumni e-newsletter. He noted that the wonderful content sustains him and keeps him connected to the College on a regular basis.

6. Treasurer's Report

Stuart Pattillo submitted a written report. He noted that the alumni association had a great year, with higher investment income and donations.

Motion: (Stuart Pattillo/Robert Petite) to accept financial statements. Carried

Motion: (Stuart Pattillo/Steve Wilson) to appoint G&R Chartered Accountants as auditors. Carried

7. Search Committee

Paul Thomson thanked the retiring members of the executive: Lindsay Cameron Wilson, Alyssa Feir and Jonna Brewer. And welcomed the incoming members, Andrew MacDonald, Lesley-Anne Steeleworthy, and Adria Young.

Motion: (Paul Thomson/Stephanie McGrath) to elect nominated slate of Executive Members. Carried.

8. Announcements and New Business

None.

Robert Hyslop moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Alyssa Feir (Secretary)