

TRENT UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

MINUTES OF THE 62nd GENERAL MEETING

9 May 2023

Bagnani Hall, Traill College at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Gina Collins, Julie Crook, Dorothy Gill, Alena Heitlinger, Paul Healy, Ray March, Janice Matthews, Janice Millard, Manindra Shah, Mary Snack, Cathie Sproule, Dale Standen, Tony Storey, Betty Tomlinson, Paul Wilson

Via Zoom: Bruce Cossar, P.J. Lewis

Guests: Danielle Britton, Michael Eamon

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 10:10 by Gina Collins.
2. Welcome and Co-Chair's remarks: Gina Collins welcomed members to Bagnani Hall and noted that we have 2 members connecting via Zoom. She reminded everyone to watch for the latest edition of the *TUARP Times* and thanked Tony Storey for all his work on this publication.
3. Welcome from Michael Eamon, Principal of Traill College: Michael Eamon thanked us for inviting him to speak and holding our meeting at Traill. He noted that this area has deep Indigenous roots because the ancient Chemong Portage between Chemong Lake and the Otonabee River in downtown Peterborough ran quite close to Traill College. Michael reported that a number of renovations have been made to spaces including the Junior Common Room, the Senior Common Room and Scott House's Dining Room. A stage was included in the Dining Hall. The completed Jaylynn Bennett Ampitheatre outside Bagnani Hall will be officially dedicated on May 31st. It is intended that Traill College become a focus for fine arts. The College system at Trent has proven popular with students and helps in recruitment. Michael also noted that this is the 50th anniversary of Team Trent – the intramural hockey team.
4. Welcome to Danielle Britton, Alumni Engagement and Services Coordinator: Danielle reported that Lee Hays, former Director of Alumni Affairs has gone to work at the Ontario Tech University. There is review of Alumni Engagement at Trent and a report will be forthcoming. Danielle wanted to remind members that it is the 50th anniversary of the opening of Otonabee College and the reunion will take place this weekend. A number of events are scheduled.

4. Introduction of new members:

Staff – Mary Goldsmith, Career Counsellor, Seng Kho, Senior Project Manager, Facilities Management, Tim MacInnes, Manager, Information Systems, Computer Services, Christine Welter, Academic Administrative Assistant, Indigenous Studies, Julia Crowe, Caretaker, Brenda Garofalo, Caretaker, Paul Wilson, Caretaker, Brenda O'Toole, Academic Administrative Assistant, Indigenous Studies

Faculty – Lynne Davis, Indigenous Studies, Mak Arvin, Economics, Catherine Thibeault, Nursing

5. Observances: Staff: Duella Andrews, Head Housekeeper, Daphne Meredith, Housekeeper, Larry Justus, Microscopy Technician, Alvan King, Maintenance Carpenter, Carol Murray, Senior Admissions Officer, Registrar's Office, George McKeiver, Security

Office, William Amell, Power House Operator, M & E Technician/Assistant. Faculty: none reported.

6. Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting of Oct. 26, 2022 were approved by a motion of Tony Storey, seconded by Dale Standen.
7. Business arising: There was no business arising.
8. Financial report: John Casserly submitted a financial statement. Our net worth is \$2,730.98. Members are reminded TUARP annual fees of \$10 are due at the October session. Payment may be made by bank transfer; just add TUARP@Trentu.ca to your bank.
9. Pension matters: Dorothy Gill present information about the staff pension. It is proposed the staff pension will be moved to the University Pension Plan (to which the faculty already belongs) and staff will be given a presentation on this in fall 2023. OPSEU members will be getting a letter from the university asking for consent to proceed with the UPP. If the person does not reply to the letter it is presumed they consent to proceeding with UPP.
10. Guest Speaker: Brian Love, President of the Peterborough Rowing Club.

Tony introduced Brian Love whom he met in 1968. Brian took up rowing and competed in the 1976 Olympics in Montreal. He came to Peterborough, joined Quaker Oats and for 2 years was an Assistant Professor of Business Administration at Trent.

Brian brought the Peterborough Rowing Club (PRC) gavel and on it are listed Presidents of the Club starting with founder Chris Leach. The club was incorporated in 1977. The PRC leased the land on the river from Trent for 35 years and built the first Club. The club supports competitive rowing including crews from 5 high schools and the Head of the Trent. The idea for the club began with mature Trent student Chris Leach - a competitive Olympic rower at Rome (1960) and Tokyo (1964). He spotted Trent's location on the river as ideal for rowing. He donated some boats, started the PRC and was instrumental in establishing the first Head of the Trent rowing competition in 1971 which was modeled on the Henley Regatta in St. Catharines. The motto of the PRC is "Step Back Non-Believers". After a number of years the PRC received money from the Kinsmen Club and raised money via various bingos and put up a new boathouse. They signed a new 20 year land lease from Trent in 2022.

Rowing is a major draw for people to come to Trent and anyone who joins Trent and rows is automatically included as a member of the PRC.

Brian and his wife Carol and both are active in the rowing scene. Brian joined the Board of the PRC and was later elected President. In 2010 Trent installed at the Trent Athletics Centre the Carol Love Rowing/Paddling Tank - named after the long-time rowing coach Carol Love (Brian's wife).

The Head of the Trent has grown to a two day regatta and is the 2nd largest in Canada with 560 boats last year.

11. Community Announcements: Gina reported that the Peterborough Regional Science Fair was held April 11th and the Canada Wide Science Fair (CWSF) will be held May 14th in Edmonton. b) Gina also reported that the Annual Staff Golf Tournament will take place again this year on June 19, 2023 at the Liftlock Golf Club. Please register if you wish to attend.
12. Any Other Business:
13. If members are having trouble receiving email on the Trent system please contact the IT department for assistance. Please remember to give Alumni any updated or changed address, phone and/or email address.
14. TUARP will investigate having a Summer Garden Party in early to mid August. Information to be forthcoming.
15. It was announced that Prof. David Gallop has turned 95 and Prof. Fred Helleiner turned 90.
16. It was reported that Archivist Jodi Aoki has been evacuated because of forest fires in Alberta.
17. Adjournment at 11:35 moved by Janice Matthews; seconded by Alena Heitlinger.

Respectfully submitted

Janice Millard, Secretary