



UFV Alumni Association
Alumni Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 19, 2020
5:00 – 7:00pm
Video conference

Present: Ali Siemens, Chair; Auriel Niven, Associate Vice-Chair; Derek Froese, Vice-Chair; Seamus Heffernan; Emily Henry; Vessal Jaber; Joe Johnson; Ashley Ward-Hall; Derek Ward-Hall; Kevin Renso; Derrick Uittenbosch (by phone); Whitney Fordham, Manager, Alumni Relations

Guests: Maxine Bouthot, UFV Board of Governors Alumni Representative; John Pankratz, UFV Board of Governors Chair / Alumni Representative; Leona Oakman, Coordinator, Alumni Relations (recording)

Regrets: Kelly Blakeborough

1. Call to Order (Ali Siemens, Chair)

The meeting was called to order at 5:03pm by Ali Siemens, Chair.

Siemens recognized and acknowledged the traditional unceded Stó:lō territory upon which many of the meeting's participants are located.

Siemens welcomed guests to meeting – John Pankratz & Maxine Bouthot

Siemens appointed Derek Froese to preside over the remainder of the meeting as Chair.

2. Approval of Agenda (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

D. Ward-Hall requests to add Kindness Matters award to request funds before Sept 23, 2020 meeting. This will become item 13 on the agenda.

MOTION: To approve the agenda for the August 19, 2020 Board of Directors meeting, as amended.

**D. WARD-HALL / RENSO
CARRIED**

3. Approval of Minutes (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

MOTION: To approve the minutes from the May 27, 2020 Board of Directors meeting.

**D. WARD-HALL / JOHNSON
CARRIED**

4. Move Meeting In-Camera, with guests (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

MOTION: To move the meeting in-camera, inviting guests and office staff to join in-camera.

**D. WARD-HALL / RENSO
CARRIED**

5. Adjournment of In-Camera Session (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

MOTION: To adjourn the in-camera session and resume regular board meeting at 6:06pm

**HEFFERNAN / D. WARD-HALL
CARRIED**

6. Associate Vice-Chair Appointment (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

MOTION: To appoint Derrick Uittenbosch to the position of Associate Vice-Chair.

**NIVEN / RENSO
CARRIED
Noted: Abstention from UITTENBOSCH**

7. Bylaw Change (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

Froese gave an overview of the bylaw changes that the Governance Committee will be bringing forward at the upcoming AGM.

8. 2020-2021 UFVAA Board Meeting Schedule (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

MOTION: To approve the 2020-2021 UFVAA Board Meeting Schedule, as presented.

**D. WARD-HALL/ JOHNSON
CARRIED**

9. Kindness Matters (Derek Ward-Hall, Chair, Outreach Committee)

D. Ward-Hall reported on the outreach committee's work formalizing the Kindness Matters award. Ward-Hall formally recognizes Emily Henry for her work developing this from the idea stage, and developing the document which is the backbone of the award.

Started off as a response to the COVID pandemic, sharing stories of kindness. Since then, lots of developments in world – BLM, environmental stewardship, etc. Rounded out award in response to have three categories:

1. Advocacy Champion – positively championing global cause.
2. Land Stewardship – positively impacting environment
3. Kindness Ambassador – helping to adjust to new normal through promotion of wellness.

Two winners will be selected: One alumni winner for all categories combined, one student winner for same. The committee proposes a \$500 cash prize to each winner. Would like to also offer desk top paddles from Town & Gown to the winners and runners up. Total contribution from the Alumni Association would need to be a minimum of \$1000 to prizes, excludes marketing.

Froese confirms with Whitney Fordham that \$1,000 can be found in the budget from other line items and/or unexpected revenues.

MOTION: To allocate \$1,000 to the Kindness Matters award & authorize office to include in budget as they see fit.

**UITTENBOSCH / NIVEN
CARRIED**

10. Reminders (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

Froese and Fordham share reminders about the socially distanced board summer social taking place on August 29.

11. Adjournment (Derek Froese, Vice-Chair)

MOTION: To adjourn the August 19, 2020 meeting of the UFV Alumni Association Board of Directors at 6:28 pm.

**RENZO / JOHNSON
CARRIED**

Minutes approved:

Chair: *Derek Froese*

Date: September 23, 2020