

Vic High Library

The Vic High Alumni recognizes and acknowledges the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories we live, we learn, and we do our work.

Present: Roger Skillings, Helen Edwards, Anne McKeachie, Fern Johnson, Don Kissinger, Ian McKinnon, Nita Loudon, Rick Crosby, Linda Baker, Vice-Principal Chris Koutougos

Regrets: Ed Kozicki

Call to Order: 3:45 PM

Agenda: Moved and seconded to adopt agenda. Carried.

Minutes: Moved and seconded to adopt minutes of May 11, 2022 Board Meeting

Correspondence: Invitation to attend Vic High's French Immersion Night of Notables, June 21, 7 PM at Vic High.

Vic High Principal's Report: Vice-Principal Chris Koutougos

1. Three recent notable year-end performances:
 - May 25 – Vic High Concert Band performed at U.Vic.
 - June 1 – Jazz Band and R & B Band performed at Victoria Event Centre
 - Platform 61 Dancers performed at Dave Dunnett Theatre in support of Red Cross fundraising for Ukraine.
2. June 2 – Graduation Ceremony, U.Vic Farquhar Auditorium – our return to a more traditional commencement ceremony was a big success, and very emotional. Recently retired English and Creative Writing teacher, Metis Elder Jan Picard was the featured speaker.
3. Grade 9 Transition Afternoon – first time it's been able to be held in-person, with transition activities.
4. June 13 via Zoom – Vic High awards night. Vic High students have – so far – earned over \$400,000 in scholarships and bursaries, in big part to the support of our Alumni. About 50 students are receiving scholarships or bursaries. Zoom invite will be circulated to Alumni directors to attend, or invite scholarship/bursary donors to attend.
5. June 23 – Grad Dinner & Dance, Laurel Point Inn

Chair's Report: Roger Skillings

Thank you, everyone, for your continued work.

Secretary's Report: Linda Baker

1. Secretary Report circulated (inserted below)
 - Moved and seconded to hire a Zoom meeting moderator for one hour to provide tech support to our use of Zoom for the 2022 AGM at the rate of \$75 US/hour. Carried.

Moved and seconded to hire a Zoom meeting moderator to moderate the June 28 2022 AGM at the rate of \$75 US/hour. Carried.

2. Anne McKeachie will act as back-up moderator, if needed.
3. 36 voters registered as of noon today, to attend June 28 AGM.
4. Simply Voting (election online voting):
 - a. Election can be set up but not paid for, in the event it's not needed. (\$200/one election)
 - b. S/V can provide phone-in voting for phone attendees to the meeting – if any register. \$366 regardless of number of phone-in voters.
5. We will prepare a voting option for phone-in attendees if any register
 - a. Appoint two scrutineers (volunteers Mary Anne Skill and Shannon Edgar)
 - b. Arrange for scrutineers to receive phone-in attendees' votes and integrate with Simply Voting electronic results.

Treasurer's Report

1. Moved and seconded to approve the May 2022 financial report as circulated to directors. Carried.
2. Moved and seconded to authorize the additional \$5,000 donation received from the Harrison family for the Georgina (Lim) Harrison Bursary be transferred to the Victoria Foundation Endowment Fund #2, subject to detailed instructions from VHSAA on the allocation of capital and spendable to facilitate an award increase to \$750 commencing 2023. Carried.
3. Moved and seconded to transfer \$8377 in interest earned on external donations made to Stadium Renewal Fund, from Unrestricted to Restricted Funds for the Stadium Renewal Fund. Carried.
4. A cheque for \$20,600 has been sent to Vic High for scholarship and bursary awards. Funds for the Gidney Bursary will be submitted separately.

Standing Committees, Ad Hoc Committees & Task Forces

Archives & Museum: no report

Black & Gold: no report

Bylaws Updating: no report

Communications: Plan is to send out one newsletter in the summer – end of July.

Membership/Alumni Directory: no report

Nominating Committee: Four-person committee will meet individually with anyone expressing interest in running for a Director position to provide and obtain information before formulating a recommendation to the AGM regarding candidates for 5 available positions.

Reunion Co-ordinator: no report

Scholarships & Bursaries: Buzz & Georgina Harrison have made an additional donation of \$5000 to the fund for the bursary in Georgina's name. The Terms of Reference will be

revised and presented at the September meeting. Thank you to these generous Class of 1955 alumni!

Website: New web volunteer Paul Curtis has now replaced Helen Edwards as Website Co-ordinator. Thank you, Helen! And welcome Paul.

Fundraising Task Force: No report

Seismic Updates/External Amenities: No report

Adjournment: 5:54 PM

Secretary Report

AGM

1. Alan Perry has a conflict and may not be able to moderate the AGM. His time to assist me to set the correct Zoom options and parameters is also at a premium. I have therefore searched online and found many options to hire someone to perform one or both roles. Having interviewed several people via Zoom, I have found someone who could be a great help.

Proposal: To hire a person for one hour to provide tech support to our use of Zoom for the 2022 AGM at the rate of \$75 US/hour. This will include verifying draft instructions to phone attendees.

Proposal: If Alan Perry is not available to act as moderator, to hire this person to moderate the AGM at the rate of \$75 US/hour.

2. An information sheet is being drafted to send to alumni who register to attend the AGM via phone. It includes info on how to access the meeting, and on how to vote in an election.
3. AGM Notice was posted on the website June 2, 2022, 25 clear days ahead of the AGM.
4. AGM Notice was emailed to 4000 alumni with email addresses, on June 5, 2022. Eight registrations received so far (June 6, 9:45 AM) since email sent. Total of 32 alumni registered so far.
5. Paul Curtis (new web co-ordinator) has agreed to be trained to process membership registrations during JoAnne's absence June 12-24. JoAnne will work with me during the meeting to manage registrants' admissions to the meeting and update voters' list on Simply Voting.

Photobook Order Fulfillment

The volunteer who has been filling/ mailing photobook orders is moving away. For the moment, I can handle this task. (It takes about 5 minutes once I receive notification from the website.) This task can be added to fulfillment procedures for a potential future Alumni-branded souvenir and clothing program.