UVic Retirees Association

19th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – JUNE 20, 2012

10:00 a.m.

The nineteenth Annual General Meeting of the Uvic Retirees Association (UVRA) was held on June 20, 2012, in Room D111, MacLaurin Building. Approximately 25 members attended with David Docherty, President, in the Chair.

David Docherty opened the meeting by welcoming those attending, and asked for a minute of silence to remember those members who had passed away during the past two years.

1. Approval of the Agenda. The agenda was approved as circulated. (David Docherty/George Smith) Carried

2. Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting. Motion: The Minutes of the 2011 AGM were accepted as circulated. (George Smith/Peter Liddell) Carried

3. Business Arising

Constitution and Bylaws – update
Went forward to appropriate body and were approved. The President thanked the Committee for their work.

4. Reports

1.1 President’s Report - David Docherty

The President thanked the Executive Board and the Committees for their dedication and hard work during the year. Members took on tasks associated with the very successful CURAC Conference. The 50th Anniversary Project was also undertaken by the UVRA, coordinated by Peter Liddell. Over 22 members were interviewed by students from Elizabeth Grove-White’s communications course. This project involves interviewing UVic Retirees and recording what they consider to have been transformative moments in their own careers or the evolution of the University which will be stored in the UVic Archives.

The UVRA are always looking for members to step forward to assume various roles to help share some of the work.

David thanked the outgoing Board members – Elaine Gallagher and Joanne Thomas who have given generously of their time and a special thanks to Elizabeth Coey who was editor of the UVRA Newsletters for many years. This has been a busy year and it is the President’s hope to increase the UVRA’s profile. The UVRA is identified in the new UVIC Strategic Plan in a number of sections. The UVRA is still committed to pursuing the concept of establishing an Elder Academy in UVic.

Motion: “That the report be accepted”. (David Docherty/Isobel Dawson) Carried.
1.2  **Treasurer’s Report** – Kathy Harris

Kathy submitted the Treasurer’s Annual Report for 2011/12.

**Motion:** “That the 2011/2012 report be accepted”  
Kathy Harris/Kim McGowan  
**Carried**

1.3  **Benefits Committee Report** – Peter Liddell

Peter thanked the members of the Benefits Committee for their work.

The Committee’s work has focused entirely on the Extended Health/Travel Insurance proposal submitted by Johnson Inc. to the Tri-Universities (BC, SFU, UVic) retirees associations.

A new stage in our negotiations with Johnson is aimed at defining a package more specifically aligned to the needs of UVic Retirees.

John Schofield said we owe a debt of gratitude to Peter Liddell and the Committee.

David Docherty thanked Mel Klassen, Kathy Harris, and Sharon Crumly for their assistance.

**Motion:** “That the report be accepted”.  
**Carried**

1.4  **Communications Committee Report**

A verbal report was given.

1.5  **Events Committee Report** – Winona Pugh

Winona presented the Events Committee Report and thanked the Committee members.

**Motion:** “That the report be accepted”.  
Winona Pugh/Isobel Dawson  
**Carried**

1.6  **Membership Committee Report** – George Smith

George presented the Membership Report. Membership has remained at approximately 538 members, with life members now numbering just over 300.

**Motion:** “That the report be accepted”.  
(George Smith/Linda Sproule-Jones)  
**Carried**

1.7  **Newsletter** – Peter Zingeler

**Motion:** “That the report be accepted”.  
(Peter Zingeler/George Smith)  
**Carried**
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David Docherty thanked Peter Zingeler for taking on the task of Newsletter Editor and Mel Klassen for formatting.

1.8 Office Report – Sharon Crumly
Sharon reported on volunteer staffing of the UVRA office. There are currently 25 volunteers.
The Association always welcomes new volunteers.

Motion: “That the report be accepted”.
(Sharon Crumly/David Turkington)
Carried.

5. Nomination Committee Report – Isobel Dawson

Isobel thanked the Committee and members of the Board. The Committee is seeking a Vice-President, Secretary and Events Chair. Walter Muir volunteered for Vice-President for one year on the understanding that he will not serve as President in the future.
The new executive for 2012/2013 will be:

President: David Docherty
Vice-President: Walter Muir
Secretary: TBA
Past President: Isobel Dawson
Treasurer: Kathy Harris
Benefits: Peter Liddell
Membership: George Smith
Communications: Judy Cryderman
Newsletter: Peter Zingeler
Events: TBA
Members at Large: Sharon Crumly, Winona Pugh, Mel Klassen, Cled Thomas, Jim Pearce, Beverly Timmons

Ex-Officio Life Members: Peter Darling, Lois Jones

6. CURAC Conference
John Schofield presented his report on the CURAC conference. The 2012 annual conference and general meeting of the federation of College and University Retirees Associations of Canada (CURAC/ARUCC) was hosted at UVic in April by the UVRA in collaboration with the retirees associations of SFU and UBC.
The Conference made a surplus of almost $17,000. Lots of good ideas exchanged. John Schofield expressed a huge thank you to the sponsors, David Docherty, Bev Timmons and members of the Conference Organizing Committee.

Motion: “That the report be received.”
John Schofield/Walter Muir
Carried
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It is pleasing to report that the Victoria conference can be judged to have been an undoubted success. We trust this success reflects well on the UVRA and the role it can play in advancing the profile and reputation of the University. The conference attracted 61 full registrations and 16 day registrations.

7. 50th Anniversary Project
Peter Liddell presented his report. Still in the process of doing interviews. The project has had two components: One was The President’s Great Moments Committee. Trevor Matthews represented the UVRA on this committee. The other was the retiree interviews representing an array of individual memories (personal, departmental, or institutional). The unedited results are being deposited in the University Archives for safe-keeping and controlled access by future researchers and the University’s own 50th Anniversary Committee.

**Motion:** “That the report be received.”
Peter Liddell/Peter Zingeler  
*Carried*

8. Masterminds Report

David Turkington reported on the seventh year of the Masterminds Lecture Series for 2011, co-hosted by the UVRA and the Centre on Aging. Over 300 people attended and enjoyed the lectures.

**Motion:** “That the report be accepted”.
(David Docherty/George Smith  
*Carried*

9. New Business

Mike Collins brought an event at the University Club to the attention of the attendees.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Crumly, Acting Recording Secretary