Woodsworth College Alumni Association Annual General Meeting Meeting Minutes



Date: May 25, 2022 **Location:** Faculty Club, University of Toronto, and Zoom

Time: 6:10 p.m. start

Annual General Meeting commenced at approximately 6:10 p.m.

- 1. Attendees approved meeting minutes from the 2021 annual general meeting
- 2. Introductory remarks (E. Thompson, outgoing WCAA president)
 - Highlighted the board's successes over the past year, including virtual and in-person events
- 3. Principal's report (Carol Chin)
 - Acknowledged the WCAA alumni association board's successes over the past year
 - Thanked the outgoing WCAA president and the board, including for participation in fundraising for the new building
 - Update on construction for the new Woodsworth College building
 - Search underway jointly with the digital humanities and transitional year program for a new faculty member
 - Highlighted the good work of the student services and registrarial staff supporting students through COVID

4. Treasurer's report

- WCAA is in a good financial position
- Cash on hand is higher than in previous years; this year saw reduced expenditures, largely because most events were held virtually
- As of April 30, 2022, WCAA has assets of \$16,166 (net of liabilities)
- 5. Nomination committee report
 - The chair acknowledged the board's departing members and introduced the proposed slate of board members for the new academic year
 - A motion confirming the new slate of board members for the 2022-23 year was passed
- 6. WCAA President's Report (S. Datsyuk)
 - New incoming president
 - Expressed her gratitude to serve the Woodsworth alumni community
 - Reviewed her history with the board: she joined in 2018, served as secretary for two years, and served as vice president for two years
 - Reflected on the pandemic and the board's success running online events
 - Thanked E. Thompson for her leadership as outgoing president, and presented her with a gift
- 7. Awards presentation (presented by E. Thompson, outgoing WCAA president)
 - Setareh Malekian Naeini was presented with the Alumni Association Appreciation Award for outstanding leadership and volunteerism at Woodsworth College
 - Harlan Tufford was presented with the J.S. Woodsworth Award of Distinction for his many years of great service to the association, the college, and the wider university
 - 25th anniversary pins were distributed to attendees who graduated 25 years ago

- 8. Farewell message to Stephanie Woodside, the retiring Alumni Development Officer, whose involvement was integral to the work of the WCAA
 - Stephanie shared a few words about the highlights of her involvement with the board
- 9. Alumni reunion lecture
 - Delivered by Carolyn Harris, historian, and author, and entitled: Royalty in the 21st Century: Tradition and Innovation.
- 10. Alumni reunion reception