

Minutes of the UOIT Alumni Association Council (AAC) Meeting

February 7, 2018
7 to 9 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT (IN-PERSON)

K. Gambier (Chair), A. Pineda (Vice-Chair), S. Rashid

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT (TELECONFERENCE)

S. Kell, J. Seres, I. Gondal

REGRETS

T. Bailey, W. Lee, M. Riseley

UOIT STAFF PRESENT

A. Broadworth, M. Picard (Recording Secretary)

1. Call to order

K. Gambier called meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

2. Approval of the agenda

Motion to approve agenda.

Moved by A. Pineda

Seconded by S. Rashid

3. Approval of Minutes of January 10, 2018

Motion to approve minutes.

Moved by A. Pineda

Seconded by S. Kell

4. Items for Decision/Action

a) Engagement Calendar of Events

- o S. Rashid added community events to calendar on Google Drive (Durham Region and GTA). These events have also been distributed as a list to the group via email. Reps from Council should attend events; events will be promoted to the alumni community. Teams have already been made for Zoo Run and Mud Hero. Council will manage social media event pages for community events; A.O. will share posts to help promote. Council members are encouraged to add other community events to the calendar as they become aware of them.

- Alumni Reception and Event listing:
 - **March:** Alumni Reception and Toronto Marlies Game.
Date Confirmed – Wednesday March 14.
Most Council members available to attend.
 - **April:** Oshawa Reception (Date and Details TBD).
 - **May:** Possible Community Event (Date and Details TBD).
 - **June:** Toronto Reception (Date and Details TBD).
 - **July:** Blue Jays Game.
Possible dates Tuesday July 23 or Wednesday July 24.
200 Level Bases.
Ticket price \$47.25.
A. Broadworth will connect with her contact on next steps.
 - **August:** West end event (Date and Details TBD), Mud Hero Community Event.
 - **September:** Possible Michigan Reception (Details TBD).
Date: Thursday, September 20.
K. Gambier to attend.
Zoo Run Community Event. Date: September 22.
 - **October:** Alumni Day (Details TBD).
Date: Saturday October 13.

Motion to approve event listing.

Moved by S. Kell

Seconded by I. Gondal

- b) Alumni Association Awards
 - S. Rashid has uploaded sub-committee list to Google Drive.
Volunteers on this sub-committee are asked to update list with availability and contact information. S. Rashid will connect with each volunteer to get the process going.
 - M. Picard provided work back plan and evites from 2017.
K. Gambier and S. Rashid will work together to update for 2018.

Motion to approve work back plan and evites with date changes.

Moved by S. Kell

Seconded by A. Pineda

- c) New Merchandise
 - M. Picard redistributed list of potential stationary items for Council's consideration.
 - If Council wishes to use money from current year, orders must be placed as soon as possible in order to receive in-hand before fiscal end (March 31).
 - Council will take merchandise discussion online and will communicate back to A.O.
 - K. Gambier and M. Riseley will review current apparel count and will update A.O. with ordering needs.

- d) Elections Sub-Committee/Work Back Plan
- K. Gambier, I. Gondal, S. Kell, W. Lee and J. Seres are confirmed members of the elections sub-committee.
 - S. Kell presented the work back plan schedule.

Motion to approve sub-committee and work back plan with update to dates.

Moved by S. Rashid

Seconded by I. Gondal

- e) Opening in Slate
- K. Gambier informed group that C. Mazza is no longer serving on Council.
 - To fill gap, Council can appoint an unofficial position to serve on Council until the next AGM; if members know anyone who is interested in participating on Council until October, please let K. Gambier know.
 - With a number of Council member terms expiring this year, the Governance committee will review rotation to ensure any issues with numbers can be corrected.

Next steps:

- a) Engagement team to review event listing and propose specific dates.
- b) S. Rashid and K. Gambier to update Alumni Association Awards work back plan and invites; send to M. Picard when finished.
- c) K. Gambier to confirm merchandise needs to A.O.

5. Items for Discussion

- a) K. Gambier presented goals that were listed in the Individual Goal Setting Sheets. She will send these goals to Committee Chairs so they can work within their committee to help ensure goals are met. Goals included:
 - More involvement with Engagement Committee
 - Attend more student-led events
 - Act as UOIT Ambassadors
 - Speak at convocation
 - Build merchandise line-up
 - Offer more discounts to alumni
- b) A. Broadworth presented update on Pi Day.
 - Main goal is participation/engagement (alumni, faculty, staff, community)
 - Social media strategy; trending hashtag (#uoitpiday)
 - Events: Free Movie Night hosted by Council (Tues., March 13)
Pie Parties and Alumni Reception/Toronto Marlies Game (Wed., March 14)
 - Council members are asked to participate (social media, events)

- c) K. Gambier opened discussion on Alumni Day.
 - o Discussion around potential for more activities and an exciting guest speaker.
 - o Potential for Council to seek sponsorship.
 - o Sub-committee to be formed. Members who are interested in working on Alumni Day are asked to contact K. Gambier.
 - o A.O. will also play an active role in organizing this event.

- d) K. Gambier provided update on Team Building Activity.
 - o Dinner was top choice for activity; Oshawa was top location; Saturday was top day of the week (February 24 or March 3).
 - o K. Gambier asked members to send restaurant ideas to her so she can create a poll. Poll to be initiated online.

6. Items for Information

- a) M. Picard provided Graduating Class Challenge results. 25 alumni attended Student-Alumni Connect event; all who RSVP'd came.
- b) Winter Open House is Saturday March 3. Some faculties are looking for alumni volunteers. Members who are interested in helping out are asked to contact M. Picard. FBIT will reach out to alumni separately.
- c) M. Picard provided update on February issue of Connected. At this point, the expected deployment date remains February 22. Thank you to W. Lee and A. Pineda for submitting articles.

7. Other Business

None

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved by S. Rashid

Seconded by S. Kell