

Minutes of the
Alumni Association Annual General Meeting
Saturday October 13, 2018 from 2:30 to 3 p.m.
Location: UB 2080

STAFF PRESENT (ADVANCEMENT AND ALUMNI RELATIONS)

Alison Broadworth, Director, Engagement Services
Jennifer Goldsmith, Alumni Relations Coordinator

ELECTORAL OFFICER

Ruth Richards, Bachelor of Arts in Justice, Class of 2008

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION COUNCIL (AAC) MEMBERS PRESENT

Kaitlynn Gambier, Chair
Angelo Pineda, Vice-Chair
Tameka Bailey
Shaikh Farhan Rashid
William Lee
Michael Riseley
Jeffrey Seres

Regrets: Sean Kell

GENERAL MEMBERS PRESENT

S. Ali Hosseini	M. Mairinger
M. Asad	N. Menon
E. Berry	H. Preston
J. Dee	S. Thamoatham
M. Fawcett	S. Verma
N. Foote	D. Walker
A. Goleski	C. Whidden
M. Hernandez	M. Wijay
JM. Labonte	N. Wright
J. Lacroix	J. Yang
J. Macklai	

Note: There was a live webcast of the 2018 AGM for which attendance was not tracked.

1. OPENING REMARKS AND HOUSEKEEPING

a. Welcome and Call to Order

Chair K. Gambier called the meeting to order at 2:37 p.m.

b. Approval of the Agenda

No additions or amendments were made to the Agenda.

c. Approval of 2017 AGM Minutes

Motion to approve.

Moved by Matthew Fawcett

Seconded by Shaikh Farhan Rashid

d. Alumni Association Council Introductions

K. Gambier introduced the following present members:

- A .Pineda, Bachelor of Information Technology, Class of 2010
- T. Bailey, Bachelor of Arts in Criminology, Class of 2015
- S. Farhan Rashid, Bachelor of Information Technology, Class of 2014
- W. Lee, Bachelor of Commerce, Class of 2017
- M. Riseley, Bachelor of Commerce, Class of 2012
- J. Seres, Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science, Class of 2011

2. ANNUAL REPORT

- K. Gambier reviewed the AAC's Vision and Mission statements and provided an overview of Council leadership and roles.
- M. Riseley provided an overview of financial results for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. Council revenues come from two streams: merchandise and affinity partnership. Funds are concentrated on areas that support alumni engagement (i.e. receptions). Revenue from merchandise sales and affinity partnerships continues to grow.
- M. Riseley provided an overview of operating expenses for the 2017/2018 year, explaining that the majority of expenses were due to events and the purchase of new alumni merchandise.

- K. Gambier reviewed the accomplishments of the 2017/2018 AAC which included expanding event offerings, growing the Council's digital presence, increased campus presence and new partnerships so alumni can benefit from discounts on services and experiences.
- K. Gambier outlined the goals for the 2018-2019 year:
 - Growing digital presence and live event streaming.
 - Expanding Alumni Day in 2019 to suit the extensive interests of our alumni.
 - Re-develop our mentorship program to better serve our future alumni.
 - Seek out additional affinity partners for increased revenue and other discount programs for direct savings, and;
 - Continue to investigate potential "Alumni Hall."

3. 2018-2019 COUNCIL

a. Nominations Process

K. Gambier outlined the AAC nomination process:

- A call for nominations was sent in the Spring and Summer for candidates to apply.
- After a thorough review of the applicants and a round of interviews, members of the Governance Committee recommended a slate of candidates to be approved by the alumni community.
- The slate of candidates was presented to the alumni community to be voted on. Votes were submitted online exclusively.
- This year, there were four positions available.

b. Announcement of the 2018-2019 Alumni Council

Electoral Officer R. Richards announced the acceptance of the slate of candidates by the general members through results of the online vote. Presented the slate of candidates put forward by the AAC and voted on by general members:

- Reuben Gomes, Bachelor of Information Technology, Class of 2014
- Sean Kell, Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering, Class of 2013
- Angelo Pineda, Bachelor of Information Technology, Class of 2010
- Michael Riseley, Bachelor of Commerce, Class of 2012

c. Acknowledgement of Leaving Council Members

A. Pineda recognized the following outgoing members for their dedication to the Council over the course of their terms and presented them with a silver Alumni Association pin as a token of appreciation:

- K. Gambier, Bachelor of Commerce, Class of 2013
- J. Seres, Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science, Class of 2011

On behalf of the Association, A. Pineda gave special recognition to K. Gambier, outgoing Chair of the AAC, who served on the council for four years. A special gift was presented to K. Gambier in acknowledgement of her time and efforts.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

5. CLOSING REMARKS

K. Gambier encouraged alumni to stay connected with the university and the Alumni Association's activities on social media. K. Gambier reminded members present to keep their contact information up to date so they can be included in events and programs that are of interest to them.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by Ruth Richards

Seconded by Nathan Foote

K. Gambier called the meeting to a close at 3:00 p.m.