



**Minutes of the
100th Annual General Meeting
Wednesday June 22, 2016 at 6:30 pm
Gordon Oaks Redbear Centre,
University of Saskatchewan**

Chairperson: President, Tanyann Belaney, JD'05

I. Welcome and Recognition – Tanyann Belaney, JD'05

Tanyann Belaney welcomed everyone and thanked the attendees. Tanyann acknowledged that the University is on Treaty Six Territory and Homeland of the Metis, and paid respect to the First Nation and Metis ancestors. It was also acknowledged that it was National Aboriginal Day on Tuesday, June 21, 2016.

Peter Stoicheff Greetings to the Alumni Association

Tanyann introduced Peter Stoicheff, President and Vice-Chancellor, to bring greetings on behalf of the University. Peter Stoicheff reiterated the importance of recognizing the alumni and pointed out the significance of the Gordon Oaks Red Bear Students Centre architecture and its cultural importance in the community.

II. Order for Annual General Meeting – Tanyann Belaney

1. Call for Quorum for Annual General Meeting – The required quorum was achieved and the meeting was called to order by the President.

2. Approval of Agenda – Tanyann Belaney

The President made a call to the floor for changes to the agenda. There were no changes put forward.
MOTION: Pauline Melis moved to approve the agenda; **SECONDED: Kelly Strueby. CARRIED.**

3. Approval of Minutes – June 17, 2015 AGM – Tanyann Belaney

The President made a call to the floor approval of the minutes. There were no changes put forward.
MOTION: Marlene Iachella moved to approve the minutes; **SECONDED: Peter Stroh. CARRIED.**

4. 2015/2016 Report to Members – Tanyann Belaney

The President advised that the Report to Members for 2015/2016 highlights the activities of the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association. The Centennial committee is ramping up for the celebration of events related to the University of Saskatchewan's Centennial year. Tanyann Belaney acknowledged changes in the U of S leadership with the appointment of a new President, Peter Stoicheff as well as the loss of some staff members including Melana Soroka who retired and the instituting of Kristopher Brown as Interim Director of the Alumni and Community Relations department. Tanyann Belaney then mentioned the passing of Judy Buzowetsky. The Alumni Association is also moving forward on being viewed as a strategic partner for the University.

5. 2014/2015 Financial Report – Jim Blackburn

Jim Blackburn, director and member of the Audit and Resource Oversight Committee, provided an overview of the current financial report, including a \$170,000 surplus that is designated as part of

sponsorship for this year's centennial celebrations. Jim also mentioned the re-working of the trip allowance for board members to allow them to meet face to face more often which constitutes a change from 3 paid trips to 4 paid trips for Alumni Association meetings which showed a slight increase in the operating expenses. Jim asked if there were any questions regarding the financial report as prepared by Jensen Stromberg Chartered Accountants.

MOTION: Jim Blackburn moved to approve the financial statements as presented; **SECONDED: Chris Unsworth. CARRIED.**

6. Appointment of Auditors Jensen Stromberg Chartered Accountants for 2015/2016

MOTION: Jim Blackburn moved that Chartered Accountants firm of Jensen Stromberg be retained for fiscal year 2016/2017; **SECONDED: Tanyann Belaney. CARRIED.**

7. Approval of Honorary Alumni Status – Tanyann Belaney

Tanyann provided background on the nomination of Ernie Barber as deserving of Honorary Alumni status.

MOTION: Pauline Melis moved to approve the honorary alumni status for **Ernie Barber**; **SECONDED: Wayne Evanisky. CARRIED.**

Tanyann provided background on the nomination of **Ellie Dybvig** as deserving of Honorary Alumni status.

MOTION: Kelly Strueby moved to approve the honorary alumni status for **Ellie Dybvig**; **SECONDED: Peter Stroh. CARRIED.**

Tanyann provided background on the nomination of **Sharon Evans** as deserving of Honorary Alumni status.

MOTION: Fred Fulton moved to approve the honorary alumni status for **Sharon Evans**; **SECONDED: Jim Blackburn. CARRIED.**

Tanyann provided background on the nomination of **Karen Georget** as deserving of Honorary Alumni status.

MOTION: Marlene Iachea moved to approve the honorary alumni status for **Karen Georget**; **SECONDED: Meagan Mann. CARRIED.**

Tanyann provided background on the nomination of **Jan Kalinowski** as deserving of Honorary Alumni status.

MOTION: Melana Soroka moved to approve the honorary alumni status for **Jan Kalinowski**; **SECONDED: Meagan Mann. CARRIED.**

Tanyann provided background on the nomination of **Wendy Wigness** as deserving of Honorary Alumni status.

MOTION: Margot Weiner moved to approve the honorary alumni status for **Wendy Wigness**; **SECONDED: Pauline Melis. CARRIED.**

8. Election of Board of Directors – Wayne Evanisky

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, the following candidates were put forward to be considered and approved for election to the Board by the members at the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association's 100th Annual General meeting on June 22, 2016:

The following members are eligible to begin serving the first year of the first two-year term following the AGM and ending June 2018:

- Mr. Greg Longster (BCOMM'92) Vancouver BC
- Ms. Pauline Melis (BA'77, MA'82) Saskatoon SK
- Mr. Mark Stumborg (BE'80) Swift Current SK

The following members continue serving in the second year of the first two-year term and ending June 2017:

- Ms. Kara Exner (BA'92; MCTGED'01) Calgary AB
- Ms. Charlotte Pilat Burns (BSNT'92) Saskatoon SK

The following member is eligible to begin serving in the first year of a second two-year term following the AGM and ending June 2018.

- Mr. Chris Unsworth (DIPAGB '12) Saskatoon, SK

The following members continue serving in the second year of a second term and ending June 2017:

- Ms. Tanyann Belaney (LLB'05) Regina, SK; completed first two-year term 2012-14
- Dr. Jim Blackburn (BSP'60) Saskatoon SK; completed first two-year term 2013-15
- Ms. Tracy Sletto (BA'94) Calgary AB; completed first two-year term 2013-15
- Ms. Kelly Strueby (BCOMM'84) Toronto ON completed first two-year term 2013-15

The following member to continue to serve as the Alumni Association's University of Saskatchewan Senate representative for a first three-year term ending in June 2017:

- Ms. Judy MacMillan (BSA' 79) Asquith, SK

The following member to continue to serve as the Alumni Association's University of Regina Senate representative for a first three-year term ending in June 2017:

- Mr. Gord Blackmore (BSA'82) Regina, SK

The following individual will continue as ex-officio member of the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association Board of Directors:

- Mr. Kristopher Brown, Executive Director (as appointed by the University)

Wayne Evanisky called for nominations from the floor three times. No nominations brought forward from the floor.

MOTION: Wayne Evanisky moved that nominations cease; **SECONDED: Tanyann Belaney. CARRIED.**

MOTION: Jim Blackburn moved to approve the list of candidates for election to the Board by the members at the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association's 100th Annual General Meeting on June 22, 2016; **SECONDED: Tanyann Belaney. CARRIED.**

Introduction of Board Members 2016-2017 – Tanyann Belaney

Tanyann introduced the Board of Directors for 2016-2017 as follows: Tanyann Belaney, Kara Exner, Charlotte Pilat Burns, Pauline Melis, Mark Stumborg, Greg Longster, Jim Blackburn, Tracy Sletto, Kelly Strueby, and Chris Unsworth.

The Alumni Association thanks the following outgoing Alumni Association board members for their volunteer service and commitment:

- Mr. Sean Junor (BA'00) Saskatoon, SK
- Mr. Peter Stroh (BSc'70; BED'75; MED'85) Saskatoon, SK
- Mr. Peter Zakreski (BA'61) Saskatoon, SK

- Dr. Garth Bruce (BA'66; MD'70) Saskatoon SK
- Ms. Judy Buzowetsky (BED'67, BSHEC'67) Weyburn and Blaine Lake, SK
**Judy passed away on February 20th, 2016. **
- Mr. Wayne Evanisky (BCOMM'77) Saskatoon, SK

Change in President for the Alumni Association – Tanyann Belaney

Tanyann expressed her thanks for all the support she received during her presidency. Tanyann officially passed the gavel to Jim Blackburn. Jim Blackburn expressed appreciation for all the good work Tanyann did on behalf of the board in spite of difficult personal circumstances.

9. Adjournment – Tanyann Belaney

MOTION: Kelly Strueby moved to adjourn the June 22, 2016 Alumni Association Annual General Meeting; **SECONDED:** Wayne Evanisky. **CARRIED.**

- III. Presentation by Jaris Swidrovich, BSP'10, this year's USSU Young Alumni of Excellence award recipient.**
Refreshments provided.