YUFA Foundation Directors Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 1, 2023, 12:00pm-1:25pm via Zoom

Present: Paul Evans (chair), Susan Ingram (recording secretary), Neal Madras, Maura Matesic, and Haiping Wang

- 1. Introductions
- Appointment of President, Secretary and Treasurer: President: Paul Evans nominated by Neal Madras, seconded by Maura Matesic, approved unanimously. Treasurer: Neal Madras self-nominated, seconded by Haiping Wang, approved unanimously. Secretary: Susan Ingram nominated by Maura Matesic, seconded by Haiping Wang, approved unanimously.
- Potential appointment of Andreas Strebinger to continue his advisory and website role for the time he is not a YUFA member during his leave: Strebinger has been very active in the Trust and Foundation. Maura Matesic moved and Haiping Wang seconded that he be invited to continue attending during his leave. Approved unanimously.
- 4. Approval of the February 21, 2019, Minutes of previous board meetings:

 the YUFA Foundation meeting: there was a question about Beryl Pilkington's being elected Secretary when she was not present. On the evidence of her having taken up the position, her consent could be assumed. The motion to approve these Minutes was moved by Haiping Wang and seconded by Neal Madras. Approved.
 the YUFA Trust Fund Trustees and Foundation Directors Joint Meeting: moved by Haiping Wang, seconded by Neal Madras, and approved.
- 5. Review of the Minutes of April 17, 2023, Annual General Meeting for approval at the next AGM:

Haiping Wang moved and Neal Madras seconded that these Minutes be received and passed on to the next AGM. It was noted that two names were not spelled correctly. A corrected version was approved.

 Review of a draft implementation donor agreement following GMM and mail ballot in June 2021:

Consideration of this item, which "outlines the specific details of an amendment of terms to the York University Faculty Association (YUFA) Scholarships and the York University Faculty Association (YUFA) Transition Year Program Bursaries at York University," had been delayed due to the delayed YUFAF AGM. The Chair provided

background and recommended the document be made more comprehensive (for example, it should include ACE scholarships) and be between the YUFA Foundation and York University rather than YUFA and York University. A motion to adopt this twofold recommendation was moved by Susan Ingram, seconded by Maura Matesic, and approved unanimously. It was noted that the Chair is uniquely positioned to lend the document the comprehensiveness it needs. Approved unanimously.

- 7. Recommendation to YUFA Trust concerning proposed \$130K annual funding of Community Projects for the period 1 May 2023 to 30 April 2025: Haiping Wang moved and Neal Madras seconded that the YUFA Trust annual funding be increased to \$130,000 until 2024-25. It was queried whether adequate moneys were available, which the Chair confirmed, noting the Foundation had loaned funds to Success Without Limits. There was also a query about whether the group should be considering YUFA's financial statements or only the Foundation's. The Chair explained that the YUFA Trust had an ongoing commitment of \$100,000 to YUFA for the administration of community projects, so it was \$30,000 annually (for two years) of the Foundation's finances that were of relevance and this would likely be reimbursed by the YUFA Trust. A final discussion item revolved around the inadequacy of this year's Walk For Excellence funding and the question of the year end. It was confirmed that a new financial year had just begun in which funds were available. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Social Unionism Task Force:

Its uncertain circumstances were outlined, and it was agreed that as Andreas Strebinger had been active on it, the topic should be revisited when he was present.

9. Other business:

– ACE: Neal Madras reported being contacted by Andrea Torre, Executive Officer in the Faculty of Education. After a hiatus due to the pandemic, they would like a continuation of the program. The Chair noted that the Foundation had traditionally supported ACE with \$10,000/ year and suggested inviting ACE to attend our next meeting and have a discussion with them about how to proceed. It was clarified that it would be logical for the Foundation to recommend to the Trust how it might work and ask them for funds. There was consensus that ACE would be invited to a future meeting.

 next meeting: as ACE would be eager for a meeting, dates were discussed and two possibilities found: Wed, May 24 at noon and Mon, June 5 at noon.

10. Motion to adjourn from Maura Matesic, seconded by Neal Madras, all in favour.