

**The Faculty Club of McGill University AGM MEETING MINUTES**

21 June, 2022

14h00

location: Faculty Club McGill Room

**The Faculty Club of McGill University Current Council Members**

In attendance:

Prof. Brendan Gillon (Linguistics) – President  
Prof. Caroline Riches (Education) – Vice-President  
Prof. Ian Butler (Emeritus) – Honourary Past-President  
Prof. Edith Zorychta (Pathology) – Treasurer  
Ms. Heidi Emami (Registrar's Office)  
Nicolas Zrihen (General Manager)

Regrets / Absence: Stefano Algieri, Christopher Barrett, Suzanne Fortier, Terry Hebert, David Harpp, Andrew Kirk, Catherine Lu, Saku Mantere, Michael David Miller, Gerbern Oegema, Tina Piper and Elin Thordardottir. No one from the general membership attended.

**Meeting Agenda:**

*1. Approval of the minutes and adoption of the agenda:*

A motion to adopt was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.

*2. President's remarks:*

Prof. Brendan Gillon welcomed everyone to the meeting. He reminded those present that the terms of Terry Hebert, Saku Mantere and Elin Thordardottir had expired and that Catherine Lu, whose term has one more year to go, would be away on sabbatical leave. He said that he will recruit members to stand as nominees for the positions to be filled, with a view not only to finding the required new council members before the end of the summer but also to completing their vetting and approval by Council.

*3. Treasurer's report:*

Prof. Edith Zorychta reported that all is well with the Club. Business is good and improving and expected to be back to normal in the fall. The endowment fund remains strong, even though a little less than one million dollars had been withdrawn from it to help weather the pandemic and to do renovations. Finally, Prof. Zorychta reported that Tadjia Hall is also doing well.

*4. Report on operations:*

Mr. Nicolas Zrihen, General Manager, reported that club activities are nearly back to normal. In particular, revenues in May were about 80 per cent of those for May in normal years.

Membership is good, including members from outside of McGill. The club has hosted several weddings since its full reopening. The summer will be used to finish the remaining small renovation projects, such as resealing the columns in the ballroom, repainting one of its walls and handling the trap in the second floor lavatories. As business returns, it will be necessary to find additional staff. To handle special events, which requires additional staff, Mr. Zrihen is looking into the possibility of hiring students for such temporary positions. If things return to normal, as everyone expects, the club will probably have a surplus in its next fiscal year.

*5. Other business:*

There was no other business.

*6. Adjournment:*

The meeting was adjourned at 15h00, on a motion made by Prof. Butler, seconded by Ms. Emami, and unanimously passed.

Minutes by Brendan Gillon