

Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work**Alumni Association****Annual General Meeting****Monday, June 20, 2022, 6:30pm****MINUTES**

EXECUTIVE PRESENT: Theo Adjei, Andria Allen (Chair), Michelle Allick, Judy Cerny, Maribeth Christensen, Daniel Downey, Michelle English, Terry McCallum, Faye Mishna, Matthew Regan, Seerat Siddique, Alyna Walji, Pam Weir, Terese Weisberg,

REGRETS: Simon Lam, Judy Newman

ABSENT:

MINUTES: Terese Weisberg

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Welcome & Call to Order	Andria Allen welcomed all participants and called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.	
Land Acknowledgement	Andria introduced herself as the President of the Alumni Association. She advised that she is a settler, and read the Statement of Acknowledgement of Traditional Land.	
Dean's Remarks	Andria welcomed and introduced Interim Dean, Charmaine Williams. Dean Williams proudly noted that despite the impact of the pandemic, students and staff rose to the challenge and carried on	

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Roll Call of Executive	<p>through to graduation. Graduation was such an exciting event this year!</p> <p>The FIFSW experienced change in leadership, as well as the loss of both Marion Bogo and Denise Russell. And yet students rated their education this year as high quality, and Faculty worked hard to produce public education, policy briefs and training.</p> <p>Both the Black Student Application and Indigenous Student Application Programs were introduced, as well as the Curriculum Innovation Committee.</p> <p>The Dean expressed her appreciation to faculty members for their commitment, and to alumni for their support.</p> <p>Andria identified those who comprise the Alumni Association Executive: Andria Allen-President, Matt Regan-Constitution Chair, Judy Cerny-Treasurer, Theo Adjei-Outreach Coordinator, Judy Newman-Past President, Terese Weisberg-Secretary.</p> <p>As well, a number of individuals have stepped forward as committee reps, including: Faye Mishna-Faculty Liaison, Pam Weir-Faculty Council, Michelle English- Mentorship Committee and Practicum Advisory, Simon Lam-MSW Studies Committee, Alyna Walji-GSA.</p> <p>And the following alumni are members at large: Terry McCullum, Maribeth Christensen and Michelle Allick.</p>	

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Adoption of October 4, 2021 Minutes	The minutes were reviewed and approved.	Motion to accept: Terese. Second: Pam. All in favour. Approved.
Treasurer's Report	<p>Judy Cerny presented the 2021-22 Financial Statement as of April 30, 2022.</p> <p>Annual revenue this year of \$10,000, additional revenue of \$2,000 and a surplus brought forward from 2020-21 of \$1387.25, amounted to total revenue of \$13,387.25.</p> <p>Expenses included speaker Jennifer Shields at \$400, and the annual Doris Guyatt Scholarship for 2022-23 of \$500, totalling \$900, with a balance of \$12,487.25. There were other events this year, but thanks to our faculty who did not charge fees, we did not incur additional costs.</p> <p>The Treasurer's report was approved. Andria thanked Judy for her report.</p>	
President's Report	<p>Andria thanked everyone for attending this evening, and noted that their time is valued.</p> <p>She reflected on our challenging year, and how our front line social workers did what they are trained to do. People need people. Covid has reminded us of this, as well as our social inequities.</p> <p>This year, the Alumni Association developed its principles for EDI, and</p>	Motion to accept: Judy. Second: Terry. All in favour. Approved.

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Nomination and Election of Officers	<p>offered six events at which there was active participation. Andria listed the six speakers and the topics they presented. She thanked the faculty, Advancement Office and technology team, our members and our executive, for these successful events.</p> <p>She hopes to host a Distinguished Speaker this coming year, along with a number of additional events.</p> <p>Andria thanked the 141 respondents who guided us on their topics of interest. She asked that all alumni stay connected for our upcoming year, and thanked them for their participation.</p> <p>The President's report was approved.</p> <p>Andria presented the nominations for First and Second Vice-President, Priyanka Sahajpal and Michelle Allick respectively. She reviewed highlights from their Bios and Rationales. There were no nominations from the floor. Accordingly, Priyanka was acclaimed First Vice President, and Michelle was acclaimed Second Vice-President.</p> <p>Andria presented the nominations for Outreach Co-ordinator, Angelina Coccimiglio, and Priyanka Sahajpal. As Priyanka was acclaimed First Vice-President, her nomination for Outreach Co-ordinator was no longer valid. Andria reviewed highlights from Angelina's Bio and Rationale. There were no nominations</p>	<p>Motion to accept: Andria Second: Pam. All in favour. Approved.</p>



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Adjournment of Business	<p>from the floor. Accordingly, Angelina was acclaimed Outreach Co-ordinator.</p> <p>The three new executive members expressed their gratitude. Andria congratulated them and also congratulated Angelina on receiving the FIFSW Alumni Scholarship this year.</p> <p>The business section of the AGM was adjourned at 7:10pm.</p>	<p>Motion to accept: Terese. Second: Pam. All in favour. Approved.</p>
Mentoring Program Overview of the Year	<p>Michelle English presented the Alumni Mentoring Program Overview of the Year.</p> <p>The program is an alumni initiated service, and this year matched 59 MSW students with a pool of 77 alumni mentors. New this year was the option of matching BIPOC-identifying students and 2SLGBTQIA+/gender-diverse students with mentors of the same ethnoracial background and gender identity.</p> <p>Mentors and Mentees provided feedback on the program, and while the response rate was low, the rating for the program was high at 4.6 out of 5.</p> <p>Recommendations to improve the program include: starting the program earlier in the school year, and creating an online forum so that graduates have the opportunity to connect with their mentors when the program ends.</p>	

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<p>Keynote Address: Speaker Introduction</p> <p>Keynote Address: Deepy Su</p> <p>Keynote Address : Q&A</p> <p>Event Close</p>	<p>Michelle thanked all mentees and mentors for their participation and support.</p> <p>She encouraged alumni to help students by getting involved, and sharing both their good and bad experiences. It's never too late!</p> <p>For more information, Michelle suggested contacting Mikayla Kendrick, the AMP Coordinator.</p> <p>Andria thanked Michelle for her report.</p> <p>Andria introduced Dr. Deepy Sur, our Keynote speaker, and reviewed the highlights of her biography.</p> <p>Deepy delivered her presentation and then invited questions from the floor.</p> <p>Andria thanked attendees very much for their participation and support of the Alumni Association.</p> <p>She looks forward to seeing everyone in the fall!</p>	