

**CRA QUARTER CENTURY CLUB
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

November 21, 2018 – Minutes

Present

Guy Proulx
Teri Carucci
Odette Beaubien
J-F Normand
Lucie Houle
Joanne St-Georges
Brian McCauley
Lisa Rondeau
Wendy Potvin
Luisa Guyan
Sheila Willis (on the phone)
Ann Perry
Jack Pearson
Denise Lachance

Absent

Josée Dussault

Introduction

Guy Proulx welcomed the directors to the meeting especially the new comers Luisa Guyan, Jack Pearson and Denise Lachance. The committee is really glad to have directors that are still in the workforce. Guy suggested to navigate the CRA-QCC website to understand what this organization is all about.

Minutes of the meeting of August 22, 2018

The minutes of the meeting of August 22, 2018 were approved. They are already posted on the QCC website.

Financial Overview

Teri Carucci mentioned that the bank account balance is at \$8,460.68 which includes the \$1,000 deposit for the 2019 golf tournament and the \$500 deposit for the 2019 boat cruise. We are in the best financial state ever. The 2017 financial statement is now posted on the website.

Calendar of Events

Update of Past Events

Happy Hour/5 à 7 – Wednesday, September 19, 2018

The event was hosted by Lucie Houle and Joanne St-Georges at the One Up Cocktail Pub at the Royal Oak at 1 Beechwood. We had a total of 30 people registered, unfortunately only 16 attended. The attendance last year at the RA Center was 20. With a limited attendance no 50/50 tickets were sold, however, we did draw three \$15 LCBO gift certificates.

The attendees provided positive comments regarding the restaurant. The service was good and everyone present seemed to have enjoyed themselves. The upcoming QCC activities were promoted.

Since the attendance has been low for the past two years, it was decided not to repeat this activity for the upcoming year.

Curling – Friday, October 12, 2018

The 29th Bonspiel was held at RCMP curling club with 8 teams. The trophy winners were Gregory Parker, Raymond Fredette, Stephane St-Denis and Christian Lebel with 40 points. The 2nd place were Diana Favel, Marcel Clement, Jean-Francois Normand, Pierre Bertrand with 34 points. The team that helped the most teams was Steve Medeiros, Heather Medeiros, Chris Siu, Sui Wai Seto.

The event raised \$46.49 for the CRA QCC.

We ran the raffle again this year with 5 tickets for \$5 which made the raffle again more revenue neutral. Thanks to Mark Audet and Bill Kavanagh for selling the tickets.

We ordered pizza again this year.

Gastronomic Dinner with Wine Pairing

The dinner with wine pairing activity was held on October 16 at Pizzedelic Gatineau. A total of 29 persons attended. We had an excellent meal which included a Caprese, soup, Osobuco and Tiramisu. The owner, Benoit Desjardins, sommelier, provided information about wines from Tuscany. The cost was \$65 plus taxes and gratuities.

Although everyone seemed to have enjoyed their evening, some of the comments received included:

excellent meal, including quality and quantity, Benoit was very knowledgeable, English speaking participants commented on his poor English and presentation not bilingual,

price was reasonable, small portion of wine, timing of the service of wine with food could have been better.

No 50/50 draw were held.

The committee recommends a similar event at another location for mid-October 2019.

Update on upcoming events

Christmas Luncheon – Thursday, November 29, 2018

To be hosted by Joanne, Luisa and Robert Way. The event will encourage voluntary donations of unwrapped toys for “Toy Mountain. As of today, we now have 57 people registered. A 50/25/25 will be held as well as draws of LCBO gift cards.

The AGM information and election of officers will occur during this event. The 2017 financial statement as well as the overview for 2018 will be presented.

Planning and Task Assignment for Activities 2019

The activities for 2019 were reviewed and dates provided as follows:

Bowling – January 12, 2019 from 3:00 to 5:00

To be hosted by Odette at the Annick Bowling on the Quebec side. It will cost \$16.00 for three games including rental of bowling shoes. The registration will be capped at about 40 people.

Odette will draft the announcement in the next week.

Winter Luncheon – February 20, 2019

To be hosted by Brian and Odette at Robbie’s Italian Restaurant on St-Laurent Blvd.

Skating at the Governor General’s Rink – March 1 or 2, 2019 from 5:30 to 7:00

Lucie has sent the required form and requested first choice Saturday, March 2 and second choice Friday, March 1 from 5:30 to 7:00. It is done by lottery format which will take place on November 23. Once Lucie has confirmation, we will be able to prepare the announcement. There is a maximum of 50 people for this event. The committee agreed to purchase hot chocolate and Tim bits for this event.

Spring Curling – April 12, 2019

To be hosted by Ann, Denise and Guy at the RCMP curling club.

Spring Luncheon – May 15, 2019

To be hosted by Jean-François and Lisa at the Mill St. Pub.

Golf Tournament – June 3, 2019

To be hosted by Lucie, Guy and Jack. The contract has already been signed with the Hammond Golf Course and the deposit of \$1,000 sent.

Wine Tasting – June 13, 2019

To be hosted by Jean-François, Denise and Joanne again at the Perreault Winery in Navan. This time only the wine package will be requested and the QCC will provide the food to be more of a light dinner. Brian and Luisa will look at the possibility of hiring a bus to provide transportation for participants.

Boat Cruise – August 14, 2019

To be hosted by Guy and Lisa. Ann, Joanne and Denise will help with the selling of tickets for the 50/50.

Gastronomic Dinner with Wine Pairing – mid-September 2019

To be hosted by Jack, Joanne and Luisa. The date and place to be determined.

Fall Curling – October 25, 2019

To be hosted by Ann, Denise and Guy at the RCMP curling club.

Bus Tour – October 2019

Some directors will look at possibilities and bring the details to the committee at the next meeting.

Game Night (pool and darts) – November 2019

Brian and Luisa will look at possibilities and bring the details to the committee at the next meeting.

Potential New Activities

Pickle Ball

Lucie will get the information about the possibility of playing pickle ball at the new Rideau Club. More to come.

Sip and Sign

Teri will explore this possibility and report back at the next meeting.

CRA-Charitable Campaign and Mental Health – Cracking Up the Capital

The committee discussed the possibility of promoting this activity with our membership. Lisa will find out more information and report back to the committee. This activity takes place in the Fall.

QCC Website

Again, Guy ask the directors to check the website periodically.

Other Items

QCC Visibility

A roster indicating the QCC director that will present at which Branch management teams was prepared. Wendy is updating the powerpoint presentation. Guy will get some posters laminated to provide to the presenters to bring at the meetings.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 5:00 pm at the Train Yards.