



CCNC Newsletter- Spring 2017

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President' s Corner

It has been a busy few months since the New Year! From interacting with many of our members, old and new, I have come to appreciate a great desire from our members to see more activities that are supported by CCNC-London. From our community partners, I also get a sense that CCNC-London plays an important role as an ethno-cultural partner. We have certainly witnessed the many festive events around the Chinese New Year with our collaborative celebrations with the London Chinese Association. Many members from our Calligraphy, Choir, Lion Dance, Ensemble and Tai Chi groups have also supported a number of community events in celebrating the Year of the Rooster. The beneficiaries have ranged from senior homes in the community to student residents at Western University to children at local church communities.

Thanks to dozens of tireless volunteers, the Dragon Gala this year was another resounding success with close to 600 guests. Other than fund-raising for ourselves, we were able to raise \$10,000 for the Alzheimer Society of London and Middlesex, as well as \$3,000 prize money for students from the Don Wright Faculty of Music at Western.

The **Extraordinary General Meeting** on April 2 was very well attended by over 70 members. The members heard a first-hand account on the state of our organization and have passed a resolution for the dissolution of the Facility Planning Task Force. I was able to share with the members what I have learnt from the multiple workshops that I have attended in the past 8 months. I have become keenly aware of the multitude of challenges in transforming our 36-year-old organization into a modern and relevant enterprise. It has become blatantly clear that we need to restructure in order to launch ourselves into the next generation. As long as we are open to innovative ways of conducting business, we will be able to remodel ourselves to meet the needs and aspirations of future generations.

Heed the call and join the restructuring team! [See announcement below.]

Dr. David Lee
President, CCNC-London

Summary Report from the Facility Planning Taskforce

After nearly a year, the Facility Planning Taskforce has completed a review of the financial feasibility for CCNC to remain within its current premises or to move to a new location. The team has concluded that the current site is under-utilized and is not sustainable going into the future. Many large capital expenditures will be required in the future. The recommendation is to downsize our physical footprint to cut our operating expenses.

There are many options when it comes to rental spaces and arrangements within the city. The main ones are the *traditional* rental space model and the *progressive* space-sharing model. Both can provide the space requirements that CCNC will need at a location that is beneficial for the members.

The Taskforce has also identified a savings target of \$20,000 annually from the operating cost for a relocation plan to be fiscally meaningful.

The full report has been submitted to and accepted by the Board of Directors.

I would like to thank the following members of the Taskforce, who had spent many hours and days working on this undertaking: Philip Tong, Alex Tang, Eleana Ho, Kun-Tou Pao, Amy Xu, Kimberly Cooper, Joseph Huang, Jack Malkin, Ian Cheng and David Lee. Past members have also included Andy Ho and Alex Lau. Without this team, the mission could not have been accomplished.

The mandate is completed and the Taskforce has been dissolved through a resolution passed at the recent EGM.

Jeff Fung
Chair, Facility Planning Taskforce

Announcements

Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of members of the Chinese Canadian National Council, London Chapter will be held in the Chinese Cultural Centre, 1701 Trafalgar Street, London, Ontario on **Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 2:00 pm.**

Preliminary Agenda:

1. Adoption of the minutes of the last AGM on May 29, 2016.
2. President's report.
3. Treasurer's report
4. Adoption of the annual financial statement
5. Election of directors of the board
6. Any other business.
7. Adjournment

There will be an election of directors to fill up to five vacancies for the 2017/2018 Board. Only members in good standing, as indicated by their current membership cards, are eligible to vote.

All members are invited to join us for lunch at 12:30 pm prior to the meeting. Please RSVP by phone or email before May 26, 2017.

Call for Nomination of Directors for the Board

The Nomination Committee is accepting names of members who are willing to serve on the Board of Directors. If you are interested please send your name and an email expressing your interest to the Secretary of CCNC-London: secretary@londonccnc.ca as soon as possible.

Fran Tran,
Secretary,
Chinese Canadian National Council (London Chapter)

Restructuring Team

A Restructuring Team will be formed to identify innovative ways of achieving our goals while being fiscally responsible. If you have ideas on how to do more with less, and would like to join the team, please send an email to the President: president@londonccnc.ca with your contact information.

Upcoming Events: *Please refer to our website for details*

- Casino trip: One-Day trip to Fallsview Casino, Saturday, May 6, 2017
- Open House: Creative Learning for Seniors, Saturday, May 13, 2017
- Dragon Boat: First Training on May 14
Recruiting now! Join in the fun! Be physically active!
- Photography Workshop: **Introduction to Digital Photography**, Saturday, June 3, 1:30-4:30 pm
- Volunteer Appreciation: Date and venue to be announced... *waiting to hear from you.*
- Canada Day Multi-Cultural Celebration: **More details to come... stay tuned!**

What we have done:**Chinese New Year Dinner
迎新春晚宴**

5pm, Sunday, January 29th, 2017
2017年1月29日下午5点
Wing's Kitchen 同庆海鲜饭店

**LCA London Chinese New Year
伦敦春晚**

7-9 pm Saturday, January 21
2017年1月21日晚7-9点
Sir Frederick Banting Secondary School
125 Sherwood Forest Square

**2017 Dragon Gala
2017 年庆龙汇**

Saturday, February 11, 5pm
2月11日, 星期六下午5点

London Convention Center

2017 CCNC

Extraordinary General Meeting
Apr. 2, 2017

1701 Trafalgar Street



Dragon Gala

CCNC Programs

- Tai Chi Class 太极班
- Mandarin Class 成人普通话班
- Calligraphy and Painting 书画班
- CCNC Choir 合唱团
- Chinese Ensemble 民乐团
- Lion Dance 舞狮会
- Photography group 摄影兴趣组

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