



Canadian Club of Calgary

2020 Annual General Meeting



The Canadian Club of Calgary



MISSION

To encourage and foster patriotism, Canadian unity and Canadian identity.



VISION

Engage and inform Calgarians with guest speakers to provide an awareness and exchange of ideas related to the history, institutions, arts, literature and resources of Canada.



MEMBERSHIP

The Canadian Club of Calgary is run by a passionate group of volunteers and members: serving the community to move our mission and vision forward.

Memberships can be purchased or renewed online at www.CanadianClubCalgary.ca/membership

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Welcome Message & AGM Agenda

Welcome to the 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Club of Calgary. This is the companion document to the AGM which is being held online via the Zoom platform.

Below is the Agenda for your review and approval. Notice was given on September 17th, 2020 in anticipation of the AGM.

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Selection of Chairman and Secretary for the meeting
3. Introductions
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of the October 13, 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes
6. Approval of the January 23, 2020 Special General Meeting Minutes
7. Election of Directors and Officers
8. Financial Statements for the year ending June 30, 2020, for information
9. Appointment of Accountants/Auditors
10. President's Report
11. Adjournment



2019 - AGM Minutes

October 17, 2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Held on October 17, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. at The Ranchmen's Club, 3rd Floor, Bennett Room,
710 - 13 Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta

1. Call to Order

Mr. Hehr, as president, acted as chair and called the annual general meeting (the "Meeting") of the members ("Members") of The Canadian Club of Calgary (the "Club") to order at approximately 1:30 p.m.

2. Quorum

The bylaws of the Club require the attendance of at least ten (10) Members entitled to vote at the Meeting. Mr. Hehr confirmed the presence of a quorum of Members.

3. Notice of Meeting

The bylaws of the Club require the provision of at least twenty-one (21) days' prior notice to Members of a meeting. Mr. Hehr confirmed that notice of the Meeting was sent to Members on September 21, 2019.

4. Commencement of the Meeting

Having confirmed quorum and the giving of notice, Mr. Hehr declared that the Meeting was properly called and duly constituted.

5. President's Report

Mr. Hehr presented his report as president on behalf of the board of directors of the Club (the "Board"). Mr. Hehr noted that the 2018-2019 year would be his final year as president, and that it had been a successful year. Mr. Hehr expressed confidence that the Club would be positioned for success with the incoming Board.

6. Financial Statements

Mr. Schur directed the Members to the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 (the "Financial Statements") that had been circulated to the Members in advance of the Meeting. Mr. Schur provided a brief report on the Financial Statements and asked if there were any questions.

There being no questions, UPON A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, acknowledgement of the Financial Statements as presented to the Members was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.



7. Appointment of Auditors

Mr. Hehr noted the Board had recommended that the Club's current auditors, NCCA LLP, be appointed as auditors for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

UPON A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, the appointment of NCCA LLP as auditors for the Club for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

8. Election of Directors

Mr. Hehr noted that the bylaws of the Club provide for a total of fifteen (15) Members to sit as directors of the Club.

UPON A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, the following thirteen (13) individuals were nominated to serve in the positions set out next to their respective names until the next annual general meeting of Members:

President: Robert Taylor
1st Vice President: Jermyn K.Y. Voon
Treasurer: Brandon Schur
Recording Secretary: Gregory Whiteside
Past President: Richard Hehr
Membership Committee Chair: Jessie Mann
Speakers and Facilities Committee Co-Chair: Susan Jolliffe
Speakers and Facilities Committee Co-Chair: Sally Lewis
Communications Committee Chair: Qingyuan (Ching) Li
History and Citizenship Committee Chair: Sharon Howe
Directors-at-Large: Margaret Eaton, Ivanka Ruseska, and Gary Vegelis

Mr. Hehr noted that the following positions were vacant and asked whether there were further nominations: 2nd Vice President and Correspondence Secretary. There being no further nominations, Mr. Hehr declared the nominations closed. The election of the nominees by acclamation was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED by the Members.

Mr. Hehr thanked the outgoing directors for their service to the Club and congratulated the new Board.

9. Other Business

Mr. Hehr asked whether there was any other business that could be properly brought before the Meeting. There was no other business.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m.



2020 - Special General Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2020 Special General Meeting Minutes

Held on January 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. at The Ranchmen's Club, 3rd Floor, Bennett Room,
710 - 13 Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta

1. Call to Order

Mr. Taylor, as president, acted as chair and called the special meeting (the "Meeting") of the members ("Members") of The Canadian Club of Calgary (the "Club") to order at approximately 1:30 p.m.

2. Quorum

The bylaws of the Club require the attendance of at least ten (10) Members entitled to vote at the Meeting. Mr. Taylor confirmed the presence of a quorum of Members.

3. Notice of Meeting

The bylaws of the Club require the provision of at least twenty-one (21) days' prior notice to Members of a meeting. Mr. Taylor confirmed that notice of the Meeting was sent to Members on January 2, 2020.

4. Commencement of the Meeting

Having confirmed quorum and the giving of notice, Mr. Taylor declared that the Meeting was properly called and duly constituted.

5. Dispensing with Audit

Mr. Taylor noted that the board of directors of the Club (the "Board") had recommended suspending the appointment of the Club's auditor, NCCA LLP, in favour of a compilation engagement with NCCA LLP.

Following discussion, UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, it was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION that the appointment of the auditor used for the preparation of the financial statements of the Club be suspended for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

6. Other Business

Mr. Taylor asked whether there was any other business that could be properly brought before the Meeting. There was no other business.



7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.



October 2020 | Interim President's Report

Dear volunteers, members, and friends,

Thank you for your continuing support of the Canadian Club of Calgary. It is our shared pleasure to be able to serve in our mission to be that catalyst and exchange of ideas related to politics, economics, history, institutions, art, and all that is Canadian to Calgarians.



As we all know, 2020 has been a particularly challenging year. We've seen a worldwide pandemic, the passing of a much beloved board member, and a shift in how we are leading our everyday lives. This has led to us adapting, focusing on priorities, and developing creative solutions to new opportunities.

Amid these uncertainties the club is transforming and exploring more delivery options than we have never thought of before. We are going online and we are reaching more people and communities, not just in Calgary but all across Canada. And for this, I am thankful that we have a great team of volunteers, supporters, and partners that are keeping our club growing and running.

Our regular season started on a sour note in 2019. Unfortunately, in November Sharon Howe (Citizenship Committee Chair and fellow board member) passed away unexpectedly. We will miss her passion and innumerable contributions to the club. We would like to offer our sincere condolences and thoughts to her family and friends.

In May 2020, our former President resigned unexpectedly for personal reasons. As Vice President I stepped into the role of Interim President and helped navigate the Covid-19 pandemic for our club. I am honoured to have the chance to lead this club.

In June 2020, we partnered with the Canadian Clubs in Montreal, Ottawa, and Toronto to host a virtual discussion with Tiff Macklem, the new Governor of the Bank of Canada. This online luncheon was a huge success in collaboration and recruitment. As I am stepping down from the Vice President role and taking on the President role, I am happy to see how resilient our club is in taking on a big transition this year to a virtual luncheon format.



We had a great turnout for 2019 and we look forward to keeping this momentum going.

For 2020, our main focuses are to ensure a smooth transition to virtual events; maintain our revenue streams through memberships, partnerships, sponsorship, and donations; and to build up capacity for the organization through better governance. We will review our strategic plan that we set out last year to ensure we are on track and together with the team on the Board of Directors, build concrete plans to reach our goals of impact and organization sustainability.

Once again, thanks for your continuing support, and the Board of Directors is looking forward to another hard working year to sustain our club, support our volunteers, and increase the impact of our efforts in the community. If you have any suggestions or questions, don't hesitate to email me and the board at president@canadianclubcalgary.ca.

Keep safe! Be Kind!

Regards,

Jermyn K.Y. Voon
Interim President and Board Chair



October 2020 | Membership Chair's Report

It has been a bit of a wild journey these last few months.

This year we've done a lot – and in a very short time. As Membership Chair, I am proud that we've taken on many different projects and adapted to the new realities that have come at us.

Be it a pandemic, lockdowns, shifts in the board, going online, and new tools for recruitment, we are meeting the challenges with new tools and services for members.

When I was appointed as Membership Chair in April I knew to expect some things – like working hard, contacting expired members – but never a pandemic. **That was new.**

But collaboration paired with transformation often creates innovation.

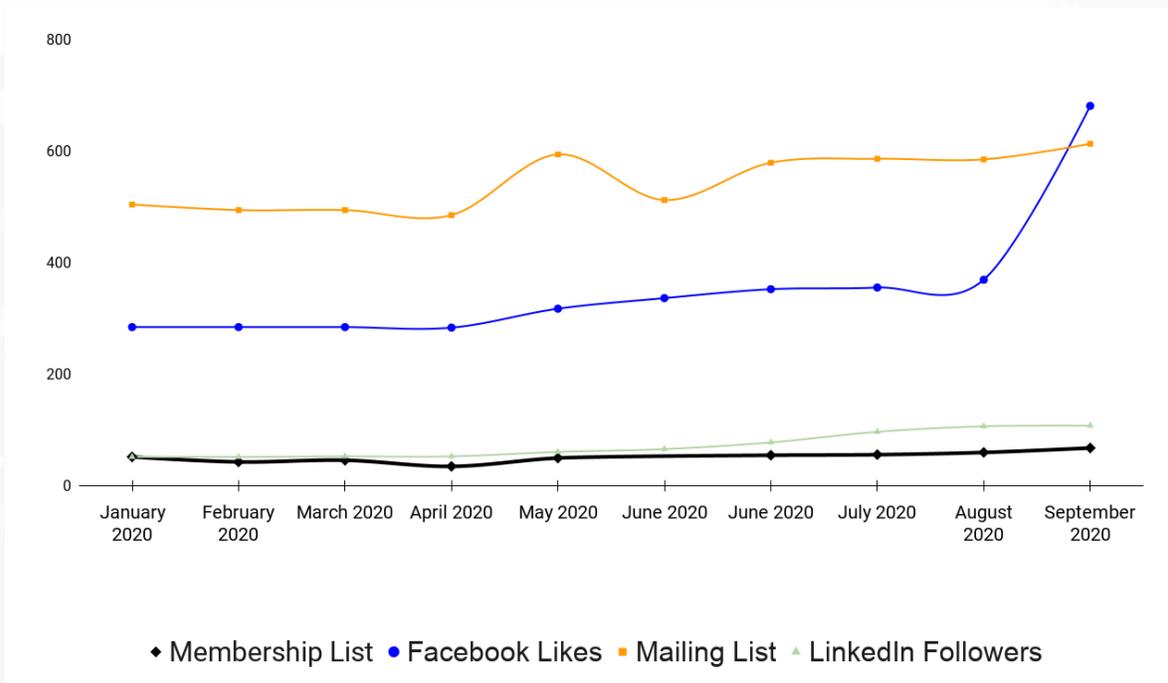
And so we innovated.

Here are just some of the things I've been working on with our volunteers and members since April:

- We've implemented a new database for membership purchasing/renewals and email newsletters, which has already saved dozens of volunteer hours and increased membership. Our email list hasn't been this large since spring 2018.
- We've run 4 surveys since April – polling members on online tools, events, and how best to support our members during this time of transition.
- We increased our membership from 26 to 68 members (as of September 30th, 2020). Our goal for the end of the year is to reach 150 members.
- While updating the database we did a rework of our brand and finished a website redesign. We've also started a podcast – The Conversation – engaging with members and the wider community in audio form. Listen to the podcast here: canadianclubcalgary.ca/podcast.
- Our Membership-Communications Committee's management of the social media has increased our Facebook following two-fold and rapidly increased our following elsewhere online.



None of the above would have been possible without the members of the club. By your attention, financial support, and membership in the Canadian Club of Calgary, we can showcase these great speakers, move forward with our mission and be that catalyst for conversations about being Canadian in Calgary.



As a reminder: please renew online at canadianclubcalgary.ca/membership.

We are continuing with our “Buy One, Get One Free” effort, where renewals in 2020 will have an additional year added to them. This promotion expires at the end of 2020 so renew quickly to enjoy this promotion and support the work of the Canadian Club of Calgary.

Here’s to new and better conversations in 2020 and 2021.

Vincent St. Pierre
Membership Chair



October 2020 | Financial Statement



NOTICE TO READER

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of The Canadian Club of Calgary as at June 30, 2020 and the statements of revenues and expenditures and changes in net assets for the year then ended.

We have not performed an audit or a review engagement in respect of these financial statements and, accordingly, we express no assurance thereon.

Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS
Calgary, Alberta
October 9, 2020

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THE CANADIAN CLUB OF CALGARY

Statement of Financial Position

June 30, 2020

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 19,805	\$ 18,946
Short-term investments	10,000	10,000
Accounts receivable	389	914
Interest receivable	23	23
Prepaid expenses	844	789
	\$ 31,061	\$ 30,672
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,544	\$ 1,442
Goods and services tax payable	95	300
	1,639	1,742
DEFERRED INCOME (Note 3)	3,131	1,923
	4,770	3,665
NET ASSETS		
General fund	26,291	27,007
	\$ 31,061	\$ 30,672

APPROVED BY THE DIRECTORS

Brandon Schur

Director

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Director

See notes to financial statements

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THE CANADIAN CLUB OF CALGARY
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Year Ended June 30, 2020

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2020	2019
REVENUES		
Event fees	\$ 18,340	\$ 26,116
Membership fees	2,782	6,003
Donations	5	-
	21,127	32,119
COST OF SALES		
Events and functions	16,180	22,826
GROSS PROFIT (23.42%; 2019 - 28.93%)	4,947	9,293
EXPENSES		
Advertising and promotion	67	-
Donations	200	300
Insurance	1,381	1,335
Interest and bank charges	233	69
Office	2,542	2,731
Professional fees	1,290	1,602
	5,713	6,037
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	(766)	3,256
OTHER INCOME		
Interest income	50	50
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ (716)	\$ 3,306

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended June 30, 2020

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2020	2019
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 27,007	\$ 23,701
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(716)	3,306
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 26,291	\$ 27,007

See notes to financial statements

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THE CANADIAN CLUB OF CALGARY

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended June 30, 2020

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

1. PURPOSE OF THE CLUB

The Canadian Club of Calgary (the "Club") is a not-for-profit organization incorporated provincially under the Society Act of Alberta on February 20, 1991 to encourage and foster patriotism, Canadian unity and Canadian identity.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation

These financial statements are not general purpose financial statements and have been prepared to assist the Society in preparing its income tax returns.

Cash and short term investments

Cash is comprised of funds held in banks. Short term investments consists of low risk guaranteed investment certificates valued at cost.

Income taxes

The Club is a non-profit organization and as such, is not subject to income taxes under Section 149 of the Income Tax Act.

Fund accounting

The Club follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Under this method, restricted contributions are deferred and recognized as revenue when the expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as received or receivable if the amount to be received is reasonably estimatable and collection is reasonably assured.

Revenue recognition

Membership dues are recorded as revenue when received. Membership dues, or a portion thereof, received for the subsequent period are recorded on the balance sheet as deferred income.

Event fees received are initially recorded as deferred contributions when received or receivable and recognized when the event is held and related expenses are incurred.

Interest income is recognized on an accrual basis.

Contributed services

Volunteers contribute a significant amount of their time each year. Because of the difficulty in determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

Capital assets

The club expenses capital assets in year they are acquired.

During the year \$nil (2019 - \$nil) of website site development costs were expensed by the Club in office expenses.

THE CANADIAN CLUB OF CALGARY

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended June 30, 2020

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

3. DEFERRED INCOME

	2020		2019
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,923	\$	2,743
Additional membership funds received	3,990		3,540
Amounts recognized as revenue	(2,782)		(4,360)
Balance, end of year	\$ 3,131	\$	1,923

October 2020 | Proposed Board Slate

Below is the proposed slate for the 2020-2021 Board of Directors.

President - Jermyn K.Y. Voon

Past-President - Richard Hehr

Vice President - Patricia O'Reilly

Vice President - Tayler Amatto

Treasurer - Brandon Schur

Membership Committee Chair - Vincent St. Pierre

Speakers Committee Co-Chairs - Susan Jolliffe and Sally Lewis

History and Citizenship Committee Chair - Margaret Eaton

Directors-at-Large -

- Andrea Burke,
- Deborah Mebude,
- Qingyuan "Ching" Li, and
- Gary Vegelis

Richard Hehr remains in the position of Past President.

Thank you to Sharon Howe, Gregory Whiteside, and Ivanka Ruseska for their service to the club.



October 2020 | Slate Members



President - Jermyn K.Y. Voon

BBA, Cert.BdGov, Cert.NFPGov (ICD-Rotman), CPA Candidate
Jermyn is the Interim President for the Canadian Club of Calgary after serving as a Vice President and the Communications Committee Chair (4 years) He is a young business professional focusing on accounting and communications who is passionate about increasing community & political engagement. He is an active community volunteer; Jermyn has been either a member or volunteered with numerous political campaigns and community & non-profit organizations. Jermyn serves as the Vice-President on the board of the Canadian Club Calgary and on the boards of the Marda Loop Justice Film Festival and Federation

of Calgary Communities which represents 20,000 local volunteers. He is also a member of the Calgary Public Library Foundation Champions Council, Students' Association of Mount Royal University Board Advisory Committee & Rotary District 5360 Communications Committee. He is a past board member of Variety Alberta, Société Macdonald-Cartier Society and Students Association of Mount Royal University & volunteers with various community organizations including Startup Calgary, Shaw Charity Classic, MSBCA Calgary & United Way Calgary.

His previous experience includes working at both the federal & provincial (Alberta) levels of governments. This is in addition to the private and non-profit sectors in accounting, administration, communications and marketing related roles.

Born and raised in Alberta, Mr. Voon holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Management (Marketing & Accounting focus) and a Business Administration Diploma, both from Mount Royal University's Bissett School of Business. He has also completed the Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD-Rotman) 'Not-for-Profit' Governance Essentials Certificate program from University of Toronto's Rotman School of Management, onBoard Canada's Board Governance Fundamentals Certificate from Ryerson University and the Professional Accounting Program through SAIT. Jermyn is currently pursuing his Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) designation. Mr. Voon also participated in Board Leadership Calgary. He is a member of CPA Alberta



Past President - Richard Hehr

Richard Hehr spent over 41 years in the Alberta public education system. His experience ranged from elementary schools up to universities. His service included teaching, administration and extensive involvement as a politician/bureaucrat with the Alberta Teacher's Association.

The Hehr family is committed to public service in both community and political venues. Richard is an elected member of the Calgary Public School Board, representing Wards 8 & 9.





Vice President - Patricia O'Reilly

BA (Political Science), DipJour

Pat was born in Ontario and moved to Calgary in 1995. She has been a history buff from a young age and appreciates the need to learn from the past and preserve the most important elements of it. Pat works for Suncor Energy where she engages with stakeholders on Suncor's environmental and social performance and is responsible for sustainability reporting and environmental public policy.

Before joining Suncor's sustainability team, Pat lead Suncor's communications and stakeholder relations function. She was also a founding member and served as vice president of the Suncor Energy

Foundation. Pat has a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of Guelph and a diploma in journalism. Pat has also served as a board member of Heritage Calgary (since 2017) and is the Chair of their Evaluation & Review Committee.



Vice President - Tayler Amatto

BA (Econ)

Tayler is a Manager in the Consulting & Deals practice at PwC Canada where she works with large scale public and private organizations to help transform their Finance Function including governance model design. In addition, she is currently a Founding Board Member and Chief Operating Officer for Flywheel Pro Bono Consulting, a national nonprofit that provides pro bono consulting to other nonprofits.

Tayler has a strong legacy of working with nonprofits from both a strategic and operational standpoint as she currently serves as the Strategic Advisor to Ask Her YYC and sits on the People Committee

with Ask Her YYC and Sustainable Funding Committee with CRIEC. Her expertise in strategic planning, governance model design and operating model implementations will make her a strong asset to the Canadian Club of Calgary's Board of Directors.



Treasurer - Brandon Schur

BA (Hon), BComm, JD, LLM (Candidate)

Brandon Schur is a practicing lawyer at WestJet Airlines, where he serves as counsel in the legal department, working primarily in the areas of corporate and commercial law.

Previous to joining WestJet, Brandon was an associate at Torys LLP, an international business law firm, where he practiced corporate and securities law, including mergers and acquisitions, securities offerings, private equity, and corporate finance.

Brandon completed his legal education at the University of Calgary and is currently studying international corporate and commercial law at King's College London. Brandon has served as treasurer of the Club since 2016.





Membership Chair - Vincent St. Pierre

BA (History)

Born and raised in Calgary, Alberta, Vincent has been passionate about the Canadian Club for the majority of his adult life. First joining the board in 2013 until 2017, he served as a board member and Publicity Chair. In 2020 he served as of Membership Chair for the club.

He is a proud graduate of the University of Calgary with a Bachelor of Arts in History (War and Society). This has led to a passion for history and politics. While attending the university he served on the Board of Governors of the institution and also as a student representative of the Arts Faculty.

A national award winning blogger (Canada's #1 Political Blog in 2012 and 2013 at the Canadian Blogging Awards, and Canada's #2 Political Blog in 2012 at the Canadian Weblog Awards), Vincent has been an active participant in Calgary's politics for over ten years. He has managed multiple campaigns, such as a successful campaign for Calgary Public School Board managing Judy Hehr's candidacy in the 2013 municipal election. After campaign he took a senior role in Hon. Kent Hehr's team where he was a key person in electing the first Liberal Member of Parliament in Calgary since 1968.



Speakers Committee Co-Chair - Susan Jolliffe

BA (Hon), B.Ed.

Born in Windsor Ontario (where Hiram Walker's Canadian Club Rye was developed!) Susan graduated from the University of Western Ontario. After completing her degree, she paddled the Mackenzie River ending up in Tuktoyaktuk, NWT.

With a special interest in the Canadian Arctic, Susan lived in "Tuk" for the next eight years. Here, she enjoyed everything the North has to offer, including competing in and winning world class dog sledding events. She then settled in Calgary where she raised her family, and was an instructor at Bow Valley College for 26 years prior to retiring.

Susan loves driving and has travelled by car and truck from coast to coast to coast in Canada, visiting most of the towns in Nunavut and the Northwest Territories, and seeing more of the Arctic than most people who live there. She is passionate about Canada and loves working as a Co-Chair of the Speakers Committee. It is her honour to invite luncheon speakers from all walks of life to add to Canada's mosaic and to the Canadian Club of Calgary.

Previous volunteer work includes being a Board Member of the Nose Hill Liberals, fundraising for the 50th anniversary of Bow Valley College, and volunteering at Fort Calgary.





Speakers Committee Co-Chair - Sally Lewis

B.Comm.

Sally Lewis was a “Headhunter” for 30 years who, prior to her retirement, managed the Western Canadian operations of an international search firm. Now focusing on a new chapter in her life, Sally joined the Canadian Club of Calgary’s Board of Directors in 2016 as Co-Chair of the Speakers Committee. With family roots in Canada going back 5 generations, her interest in “all things Canadian” runs deep, and she has a keen desire to contribute to the community around her.

Her background includes being a member of the Board of Directors of a private golf and country club in Calgary, a member on the board of the Calgary Ladies Golf Association, District Treasurer for the Girl Guides of Canada, participation on numerous professional technology committees and offering her time on countless volunteer committees. Spare time is spent golfing, biking, hiking and skiing. Other interests include travelling throughout Canada and the world at large including over 30 countries outside of North America.

Sally maintains there is still “no place like home”, and to date she has enjoyed travelling in every province and territory in Canada, including trekking across Baffin Island’s Auyuittuq National Park, without confronting a single polar bear.



History and Citizenship Committee Chair - Margaret Eaton

Margaret grew up in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan and moved to Calgary in 1969. Except for periods of time in Ontario, British Columbia and Belgium she has lived here for almost 50 years.

She was a teacher and administrator with the Calgary Board of Education for 34 years. While seconded to the staff of the NATO International School in Belgium, she was active in Remembrance Day activities at European battle sites from both World Wars. She was part of the Canadian delegation to Poland following Canada’s sponsorship of Poland into NATO.

During the 1988 Olympics she was Vice-Chairman of Hosting for Figure Skating and Hockey, supervising thirty multi-lingual hosts. She is an active skier and golfer and is currently Assistant Director of the Calgary Music Makers Senior Choir. She and her husband David travel extensively and have visited over forty countries.

Margaret has been a member of the Canadian Club for over ten years. As the newest member of our Board of Directors, she is eager to contribute to the operation of the Canadian Club.



Directors-at-Large, Communications & Membership - Andrea Burke



Andrea is an aviation enthusiast and community activist. Her tandem pursuit of a commercial pilots' license and a gender studies degree has led her to advocate for gender equity within the aviation sector and beyond. She is currently serving as the Executive Director for re:give, a local non-profit, while furthering her formal education on the intersections of gender, race, and the workforce.

Directors-at-Large, Communications & Membership: Deborah Mebude



DipJour, BCS

Deborah is a first-generation Nigerian-Canadian. She holds a Bachelor of Communication Studies degree from the University of Calgary and an Honours Journalism diploma from the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology. During her time as an undergraduate student, Deborah travelled to Guatemala to produce a series of short documentaries and photos for the international NGO Mayan Families, and spent time in Rwanda serving in refugee camps alongside the UNHCR. These experiences allowed her to hone her skills as a journalist and reinforced the importance of understanding how history affects present-day socio-political dynamics.

Her recent work includes serving as the refugee rights intern and then communications coordinator at Citizens for Public Justice in Ottawa, framing the messaging and promotion of various advocacy campaigns on social policy issues. Deb is a contributing author for a forthcoming book on Canadian politics for Millennials, a 2020 G(irls)20 Young Director, an Advisory Board member at Leading in Colour, and the Writing and Content lead at TRAD Magazine. She is currently studying Public Policy and Management through Dalhousie University's Executive Education program and, in her spare time, volunteers as a youth mentor with the Calgary Immigrant Women's Association. Deb is driven by a passion for learning and believes strongly in the importance of centering marginalized voices.

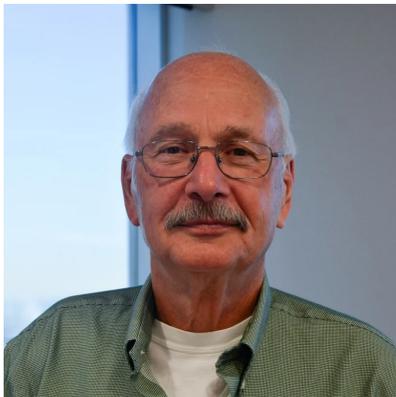




Directors-at-Large - Qingyuan "Ching" Li
B.Comm.

Ching is a recent graduate from the University of Calgary in 2017, with a concentration of Marketing from the Haskayne School of Business. Ching is always striving consistently to learn, develop and grow in a professional business environment as well as seeking opportunities to apply his current knowledge to real world experiences especially in digital marketing or analytics related fields.

Ching is known as a friendly, easy-going person who enjoys puns as well as helping others in need to the best of his abilities. Aside from school, Ching also enjoys participating in philanthropic and skill based volunteer opportunities to help his community.



Directors-at-Large - Gary Vegelis

Gary has been a member of the Canadian Club for 5 years, and a Member at Large since 2015.

He was in various aspects of the Construction Industry for over 50 years including General Construction, Roadbuilding, Pipeline, Gas plants, Mining and Fracing. As a Business Agent for the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 955, Gary negotiated contracts on behalf of the members.

Gary represented the Building Trades of Alberta on the Executive Board of the Alberta Construction Safety Association.

As an Executive Board Member of the Calgary Fort PC Association, he worked with their MLA for five terms. Since retiring in 2010 he has been involved in community volunteer work.

His personal interests include travel in his RV across Canada and northern USA, boating, and fishing, but not necessarily catching anything!

