

HFTM/HAFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA** Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 5 to 7pm University of Guelph

## Call-in info:

WebEx link: Elizabeth to send link via email Meeting number (access code): 799 465 281 Meeting password: y3kMBn3HPm8 (93562634 from phones and video systems)

(Lora's cell 905-873-5672)

	Item	Lead	Time Allocation (min)
1	Welcome Attendees Video call: Lora, Laura, Rachel, Adam, Chris, Daniel M., Joseph, Daniel C., FangYu NEW - Dan M., President of Student Association NEW - Fang Yu, VP Student Association NEW – Elizabeth Rauchenstein, Alumni Advancement Manager	Lora	15
2	<b>Last Meeting Minutes</b> – March 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 Mainly discuss pandemic and thought to go ahead and then 2 days later we decided to cancel because of COVID-19.	Lora	5
3	<ul> <li>Alumni Affairs &amp; Development update <ul> <li>Notes from call with Lora &amp; Elizabeth</li> <li>Elizabeth will provide us updates from the Uni, and high-level feedback.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Assist with relationship building for philanthropic giving to the schools.</li> <li>COVID-19 = adapt innovate, take care of your health, people have been rallying at the school to try and help each other.</li> <li>Committee on campus to make plans for students to help them out. They are in consultation with other Universities as well.</li> <li>Emergency bursaries, gift cards, food support.</li> <li>East Residence is repurposed for front line healthcare workers.</li> <li>Share news articles to the committee of what is happening in the area and on campus.</li> <li>Connecting as much as possible with grads to see what they are doing and how they are doing.</li> <li>Lang HR announced they have a new Director: Frances Houston, Director, Alumni and Annual Fund- she will be engaging our Alumni Association as she will with other U of G volunteers re: ongoing strategy for volunteer and alumni engagement initiatives.</li> <li>Lang has a new Dean Dr. Lisa Porth, Starts 5-year term October 1<sup>st</sup>.</li> </ul>	Elizabeth	10

	<ul> <li>Fall events have a lot of uncertainty. What are our objectives for fall events – make a list? If we can't meet in person what can we do instead to meet those objectives in a creative way.</li> <li>Events in Sept need a June deadline for pulling alumni lists. July for Oct, Aug for Nov, etc.</li> <li>What date are we going to decide to make the final decision?</li> <li>June 1<sup>st</sup> is when Alumni Affairs will decide their events list for the year ahead.</li> <li>Do we want to hold a spot for an event in Sept, Oct, or Nov?</li> </ul>		
4	<ul> <li>School of Hospitality, Food and Tourism Management <ul> <li>Enrollment – not sure if international students are able to come over for classes or not.</li> <li>Expected enrollment will be very low.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Some students are planning to take a gap year because they don't want to do the classes online.</li> <li>School is losing its identity is some of the feedback. Maybe an opportunity now to determine who we are again and define that.</li> <li>Working on a strategic plan for the next 5 years.</li> <li>Launched new Major – Sport Management</li> <li>Fall planning is being discussed – Universities are expecting a large deficit – these means there will be some layoffs.</li> <li>Formals are cancelled and convocation. How can we celebrate with those students? How can we help the students celebrate?</li> <li>What jobs will there be for students who are graduating?</li> <li>Find the largest classes and make them smaller or rent meeting rooms to space them out more.</li> </ul>	Chris	10
5	<ul> <li><b>HFTMSA update</b></li> <li>Welcome new President and Vice President</li> </ul>	Daniel M & FangYu	10
6	<ul> <li>Social Media &amp; Web <ul> <li>News or updates</li> <li>Items that need updating on the website – biographies and photos (due date was May 1<sup>st</sup>)</li> <li>Topics – how can grads keep their skills up during a low employment rate.</li> <li>Post the biographies – PLEASE EVERYONE SEND 5-7 LINES ABOUT YOURSELF AND A PROFESSIONAL IMAGE TO RACHEL AND SHE WILL GET THEM POSTED. lesterrachel@hotmail.com</li> <li>Social media post ideas: <ul> <li>50<sup>th</sup> anniversary was a year ago – throwback</li> <li>Fall social throwback</li> <li>Welcome new alumni – congratulations.</li> <li>Do videos of alumni welcoming new alumni.</li> <li>Maybe do a France throwback photo collage or series of posts (maybe do a competition to get engagement going again).</li> </ul> </li> <li>What happened to the video collected from the last Fall Social – Chris will reach out to Scott.</li> <li>Elizabeth will check with Alumni she is talking to and see if they will share words of encouragement. What should the questions be?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Rachel	20

	• 10,000 Coffees – Lora & Elizabeth = promoting it with Alumni, networking opportunity virtual for Alumni and Students. Good way to connect. Elizabeth will send link.		
7	<ul> <li>Fall Social 2020 <ul> <li>Plan A / Plan B</li> <li>Update on Spring Social (cancelled)</li> <li>Fall Social Plan A see if Party Putt would be ok with the original arrangement. Was going to be an opportunity for Party Putt to hire students.</li> <li>Plan B - An Online Panel Discussion maybe</li> <li>Important to get to network in person to build relationships with students and Alumni.</li> <li>Fund Raising – usually Fall focus and Awards given out.</li> <li>Lang has been doing weekly community discussions. Link from Elizabeth.</li> <li>Hybrid event, combine some in person with virtual sharing of links in Toronto, Guelph, Kingston, etc.</li> <li>Lora the Tundra platform looking for online events – virtualizing events. Lora will email link to everyone.</li> <li>Laura having polls is interactive.</li> <li>Fall Social October is normally a good time – we need to get nominations out too.</li> <li>Laura checking to see if Party Putt would still be appropriate for the Fall social with the awards ceremony.</li> <li>Plan both A and B for October and make the call later on.</li> <li>Add online component to all of our events and engage a wider group of alumni globally.</li> <li>Elizabeth will check about getting an alumni distribution list globally. Plus see geo stats and occupation.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Lora & Laura	20
8	<ul> <li>Careers Night 2021 <ul> <li>2020 event recap</li> <li>Notes for 2021</li> <li>2020 event was very positive, and people were engaged.</li> <li>Great networking.</li> <li>A clearer understanding of who is doing what between Alumni Association and the Alumni Relationship office.</li> <li>Elizabeth and Lisa will be discussing logistics of how we work together moving forward – where do they overlap and work together.</li> <li>Invite Lisa on a board call in the future.</li> <li>Thanks to Lisa the event went really well.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Laura	20
9	<ul> <li>General Discussion / Questions <ul> <li>Next meeting date</li> <li>Digital event idea</li> </ul> </li> <li>Budget – no big changes because the Spring Social did not happen. Hospitality Leadership cancelled and a double course will be offered next year. Nominations for awards, how are we going to get this communication out?</li> </ul>	All	10

How often can we email this list? Takes 2-3 weeks to get the list pulled. Create a schedule of when we want to communicate and send it to Elizabeth.	
Next meeting in 4 weeks to finalize details for Fall Social. Elizabeth will send the Webex invite.	