

FLC SENIORS CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

October 25, 2025 MINUTES

Prior to the commencement of the AGM, Christine Grant and MC for the luncheon, conveyed a warm welcome to everyone attending on behalf of the FLC Board of Directors. Attendees were invited to introduce themselves to each other at their respective tables. Christine gave special thanks to the Volunteers who assist with running our organization.

The AGM is an opportunity to give an overview of the previous year of FLC and elect new Directors. This year the names being put forward are Darrin Fisher, Carolyn Wright and Susan Wilson. Their biographies are on the tables along with 2024 AGM Minutes and Financials.

Housekeeping items (i.e. washrooms, exits) were dealt with introduction and thank you to Agnes Pono for saying grace and leading the attendees in O Canada.

Paul from Glenmore Inn thanked attendees for their presence and directed members to the Buffet. Following the meal the kitchen staff were requested to come to be thanked for all of their work.

After lunch and prior to the meeting commencement, Bob Laloge not only drew door prize names, but many laughs from his amusing anecdotes.

Special Guests

Christine introduced our special guests:

- MLA Diana Batten (MLA for Calgary Acadia)
- Acadiana Bradford (Constituency Manager for Diana Batten)
- Ryan Matity (Facility Operations Manager, Trico Centre)
- Breanna Thirlwall (Marketing Director, Trico Centre)
- Andrea Waara - General Manager of Lake Bonavista Community Association
- Anna Glickman - General Manager of Willow Ridge Community Association

Christine welcomed our special guest Diana Batten to say a few words at the end of the meeting.

Current Board

Christine introduced the current Board and asked them to move to the front of the room.

President Albert Herscovitch (regretfully absent), Treasurer David Tisdale (regretfully absent), Accountant Liz Gross, Secretary Nancy MacKellar, Room Booking Coordinator Violet Smith, IT Coordinator Lawrence Gordon, Social Committee Coordinator Adrianna Laslo, Craig MacFarlane (regretfully absent), Christine Grant, Ron Rubenok, Egon Thauberger, Past President Pam Nutter (regretfully absent).

Annual General Meeting

FLC Seniors Vice President called the 42st Annual General Meeting to order at 1:15 pm.

To comply with the requirements of the Club By-laws, a quorum of 30 members in good standing were required to be present to proceed with the business of the meeting. It was confirmed there was a quorum (87 attendees) and the meeting was duly constituted for business. Secretary Nancy MacKellar will be the recording Secretary.

Christine advised questions were welcome and asked anyone who wanted to pose a question, or make a statement, to stand up and state their name clearly so it could be recorded in the Minutes.

Minutes of the 2024 AGM

Christine advised the Minutes of the 2024 AGM were published on the FLC Seniors web site on the Membership Info page. A link to the Minutes on the web site was included in the email sent to all members who registered to attend the AGM.

A copy of the 2024 AGM Minutes together with the 2024-2025 Balance Sheet and Statement of Earnings were made available at each table.

Christine enquired whether there were any errors or omissions in the 2024 AGM minutes.

There was no new business arising from the 2024 Minutes and Christine asked for a motion from the floor approving the Minutes.

Motion by - Al Hunt, Seconded by - Bob Laloge Carried Unanimously

Financial Report - Liz Gross on behalf of Dave Tisdale

Membership records are being broken in FLC and one can only assume people are joining the club because of its popularity and the programs it offers to those people 55 and older.

This Club is a non-profit organization and currently the membership fee to join is only \$15. This amount is insufficient for us to provide all the activities we offer. Consequently there are additional charges by the activities to enable them to create an activity that is not only beneficial but enjoyable for all its participants. However those fees are designed

to be below what is being offered for the same activity in the general market outside our Club.

Providing the variety of activities offered to the members at below market value is enabled from the proceeds derived from the Casino fund. That fund is created through the participation of members hosting a casino from time to time and lately it has been quite rewarding. Therefore, volunteerism is the cornerstone to the survival and success of the Club. We are always looking to our membership to get out and volunteer whenever they can, to help grow and expand the activities so we can take in more participants. However, one of the biggest challenges, is the need to expand activities in order to accommodate those participants that are eager to join. Consequently, to continue with growth, there needs to be innovative in the years ahead to resolve these challenges and that will start with the need for even more volunteers.

There is an acceptable cash position on hand in all the activities including the Club. The Casino fund as well looks pretty impressive, but there was a casino event held early this year, so that will have to hold us for a while given all the needs that lie ahead for that support. Liabilities are always a concern to see, but these only exist due to activity fees being paid in this year, but pertain to the next, so they have all been paid to the appropriate activities in September.

The Statement of Operations revenue shows a pretty good increase not only in activity fee revenue, but also in the membership fees due to that increase in our memberships in the Club. As mentioned earlier, the \$15 fee may not be sufficient to provide all the functions the club provides, but out of that \$15, aside from the costs of maintaining the websites and computer functions, there are office supplies, insurance, online charges and some pretty wonderful subsidies that allow much of the membership to enjoy a variety of get together lunches in order to cement friendships and meet new members, thus providing the appeal the club seems to be having. The bottom line on this statement is pretty much a break even for the year, which is wonderful.

This concludes the financial report for the fiscal year ended August 31st, 2025. If there are any questions, I would be pleased to answer them.

FLC Seniors Club		
Balance Sheet		
August 31, 2025		
	2025	2024
Assets		
Cash & GIC's - unrestricted	\$213,904	\$188,558
Casino Funds - Restricted	\$135,112	\$98,351
Prepaid Expense	\$8,107	\$14,142
Total Assets	\$357,123	\$301,051
Liabilities & Net Assets		
Accounts Payable	\$75,241	\$56,729
Deferred Revenue	\$8,245	\$2,495
Unused Casino Funds	\$135,112	\$98,350
Total Liabilities	\$218,598	\$157,574
Net Assets Unrestricted	\$138,525	\$143,477
Total	\$357,123	\$301,051
UNAUDITED		

FLC Seniors Club		
Statement of Operations		
September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2025		
	2025	2024
Activity Fees	\$347,216	\$292,080
Membership Fees	\$48,195	\$44,685
Social Events	\$26,445	\$26,640
Casino Funds	\$60,372	\$46,348
Interest/Other	\$10,806	\$16,648
Total Revenue	\$493,134	\$426,401
Expenses		
Activity Fees: Rentals	\$134,990	\$111,283
Instructors	\$139,580	\$116,205
Events	\$32,029	\$32,751
Transportation	\$11,892	\$7,700
Other	\$8,869	\$9,150
Sub total – Activity Expenses	\$327,360	\$277,089
Costs paid by Casino	\$60,372	\$46,348
Membership	\$39,011	\$36,397
Social Events	\$68,870	\$63,764
Bank Charges	\$551	\$535
Sub-total	\$168,804	\$147,044
Total Expenses	\$496,164	\$424,133
Surplus/-Loss	-\$3,030	\$2,268
UNAUDITED		

Motion made to accept the Financial Statements as presented.

Motion by - Al Hunt Seconded by - Dan Bell Carried Unanimously

President's Report – Adrianna Laszlo on behalf of Albert Herscovitch

Good afternoon members and special guests. I want to thank you all for joining us today and especially for supporting our FLC Seniors Club throughout the past year.

Our Club is one of the largest clubs of its kind in Western Canada. Our activities accommodate a wide range of interests ranging from coffee and card groups to those that focus on theatre, painting, calligraphy and acting to more physically active indoor and outdoor pursuits that accommodate a wide range of fitness levels.

Members at all ability levels are able to participate, to connect with one another and to develop a sense of belonging. Social interaction is an important function of all of our activities.

The goal of the FLC Seniors Club is to provide activities at a lower cost than what exists in the general market. So, how do we manage to do that for one of the lowest membership fees in the city. We do that in a number of ways. First of all, we are a not for profit, completely volunteer driven organization. The only people who are paid are the instructors of our Activities and they themselves are often are paid at below market cost. From our Activity coordinators, treasurers, executive committee members and room reps to Directors on our Board, no one is paid for the many volunteer hours they provide. Through AGLC, the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, our Club raises funds by working a casino approximately every 18 months. That money is used to subsidize Activities with rent, instructor and transportation costs. The Club also pays the cost for all Activity GST, for liability insurance that covers all of our members and for all Activity Stripe fees, a fee collected by credit card companies on each transaction. Activities that run 50/50 draws are also paid back by the Club for the half that doesn't go to the winning draws. None of the costs mentioned are passed on to the Activities.

Finally, all of the venues we partner with, very generously provide us with significant discounts in our rent. We view all of you as critical to our success and hopefully, we also bring value to your organizations. The Trico Centre for Wellness or Trico as most of us know it has been a significant partner with us since we both came into existence 42 years ago and we are indebted to you.

This past year has been a very busy one for our Board and all of our Activities and a banner year for the Club in general. We are proud to announce that this past year we have had a record high number of memberships at 3,248 an increase of 120 members from the previous year.

However, with success always comes challenges. As Activity numbers grow, additional classes have to be opened, additional venue spaces need to be found and additional

instructors need to be hired. With our growth, we have needed increasing numbers of volunteers to plan, organize and run our Activities. It takes many hundreds of volunteers to run our Club. I would ask all of you to please consider volunteering for those activities that you belong to and have a passion for.

This next year is shaping up to be a very busy one. The new Board will be starting the work to discuss and make decisions regarding the many recommendations in a proposed 5 Year Strategic Plan. The Board will also be busy exploring rental options for our ever-increasing membership, planning our Club social events including a Volunteer Appreciation event in late Spring and providing the support required by our Activity Coordinators and their executive committees. This year, the Board will work with Trico to negotiate a new 5-year Partnership agreement taking us through to August 31, 2031 as well as long term rental contracts with our other partner venues. We also plan to work more closely with and strengthen our relationships with Trico as well as our other partners, a number of which are represented here today.

As I end my 6 years as a Director and 4 years as President, I would like to thank all of the Directors I have worked with, a more committed group of people you will not find. I would like to particularly thank our outgoing Directors for all their work in supporting you, our members.

Pam Nutter, our President for 3 years and Past President for 4 more, you have been invaluable to me in those last 4 years, passing on your advice and wisdom and for being a sounding Board to my frustrations whenever I have needed it.

Violet Smith, as our Room Booking Coordinator for the past 6 years, you have worked diligently to develop consistent processes across the venues, to negotiate fair rents acceptable to all parties, to book rooms for our Activities at all of the various venues and to answer the myriads of questions from our Activity Coordinators. In your 6 years as Room Bookings Coordinator, you created numerous processes that have reduced the workload on our Activities while in fact increasing your own.

Adrianna Laszlo, you so effortlessly lead our Social Committee that has organized all of the Club Social Activities including this AGM. These activities have become so popular that we now need larger venues than ever before to accommodate all of those who wish to attend. You have also transformed our social committee meetings that could easily become tedious organizational meetings into social events for committee members.

You all probably know Lawrence Gordon who has developed and monitors the online reservation system, a system that has greatly simplified how our members both register and pay for activities. He provides regular training sessions on the ORS, web page design, database, Gmail and various computer applications and is always available to help activities

with technology issues. Lawrence also serves as our Privacy Officer and sends out our MailChimp messages that you regularly receive to keep you informed of upcoming Club and Activity events.

Lawrence thank you for the support you have been and continue to be to our members.

Wayne Mitchell, a long-time mainstay on our Board, while not on our Board this past year, you nevertheless served as our Membership Coordinator until you transferred those duties to Nancy earlier this year and you also continued to serve as the Club representative on the Trico Board of Directors until recently. Thank you, Wayne, for your commitment to our members and thank you to your wife for putting up with your many hours responding to member questions and issues.

I would also like to thank the General Managers and the staff at all of our partner venues including the Trico Centre, the Willow Ridge Community Association, the Lake Bonavista Community Association, the Deer Run Community Association and the Acadia Recreation Complex.

Finally, I want to thank all of the volunteers who work countless hours out of sight and out of the limelight to ensure that we all as members have the best possible experience and that our Club remains relevant, strong and resilient. Thank you all and thank you to everyone here today for your ongoing support.

Election of Directors - Peter Weir

Darrin Fisher, Carolyn Wright and Susan Wilson have confirmed they will allow their names to stand for election as Directors. Peter thanked Lawrence Gordon, Violet Smith and Albert Herscovitch, Pam Nutter and Adrianna Laszlo for the time they've committed to the Club.

As per the By-laws, Peter asked if there were any nominations for the Board of Directors from the members in attendance?

Peter asked for a second and final time if there were any nominations for the position of Director from the members in attendance.

There were no further nominations, and Peter declared that:

Darrin Fisher
Carolyn Wright
Susan Wilson

were elected as Directors for a first term of 3 years.

All elections were by acclamation.

Peter turned the meeting back to Christine who introduced the 3 new Directors.

That concluded the election of Directors and Christine thanked Peter.

On behalf of all FLC members Christine welcomed Darrin Fisher, Carolyn Wright and Susan Wilson to the Board of Directors.

New Business: There was no new business.

Christine advised that if anyone has any questions or concerns, they should not hesitate to contact one of the Board members. All Board members are listed on our website, or they can email the Board at info@flcseniors.ca. The email address is also on our website.

As there was no further business, a motion from the floor was requested to close the formal part of the AGM.

Motion by - Al Hunt, Seconded by Dan Bell - Carried

The formal meeting ended at 1:33 pm.

Christine welcomed our Guest Dianna Batten to address attendees

Diana Batten, MLA for Calgary Acadia

Diana recognized FLC for the value they bring not only to local communities, but to the local demographic in general and described the communities she represents.

Volunteerism for some is a calling who understand the value and being part of a community. Seniors have thoughts and opinions and feel free to share their voice with Diana. Our engagement is huge and build the Alberta we want and our community.

With so much going on, our concerns and what we advocate for are things we deserve - seniors have built our country, province and community and we are not being disregarded and Diana is grateful to represent us.

Seniors share common themes especially surrounding health care - encompassing access, long term planning, vaccines, affordability and social interaction - the needs for such are higher than ever. These are issues that are front and centre in the role Diana plays.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Seniors aging in their homes is of prime importance. It's important to live our best lives and contribute as much as possible.

A round of applause was given to teachers (currently on strike) and the importance of public education. It is important to share the education opportunities we had with the

current generation. We want our next generation of educators to be educated and to build communities.

Educations, health care, housing, affordability, seniors benefits - Diana wants our demographic to be supported in the ongoing future and how she's learned from us how to move forward in her own future and proud to call Alberta home and grateful to FLC.

Violet and James Smith drew for 50/50 draw of \$260/2 for \$130 each.

Christine thanked Diana and the FLC Social Committee made up of Adrianna Laszlo, Bob Laloge, David Nolke, Cheryl Nolke, Christine Grant, Agnes Pono and Albert Herscovitch for organizing this event.

Christine stated that the next event organized by our Social Committee is the Holiday Social on December 14 with details to be coming in the next few weeks. It will be a catered buffet lunch, cash bar, and of course, a 50/50 draw and door prizes. Information will be posted on the Social webpage, and you will receive an email when signups open using the green button in mid November. Be sure not to miss it as registration will be limited.

Christine thanked everyone for attending.

The luncheon concluded.

Nancy MacKellar
Recording Secretary