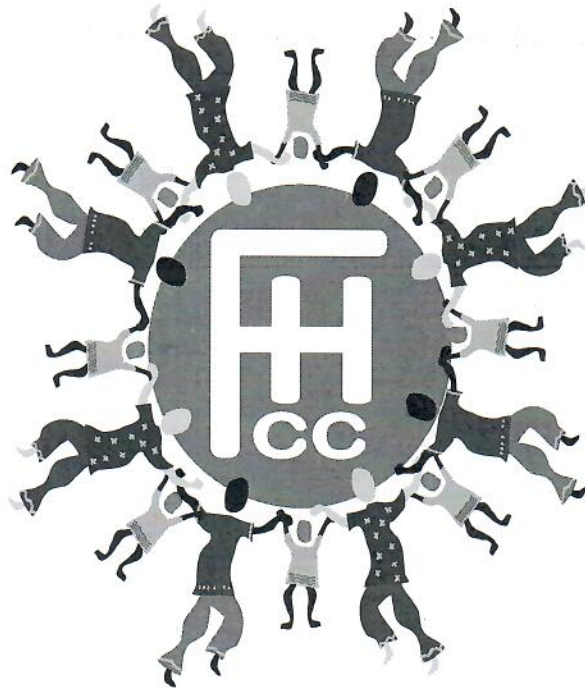


Franklin Horner Community Centre
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD
APRIL 1, 2022 to MARCH 31, 2023

Wednesday, October 4th, 2023
11:30 A.M.



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MISSION STATEMENT

Franklin Horner Community Centre is a charitable, not-for-profit community centre serving the southern Etobicoke and surrounding areas. The Community Centre provides a unique environment where community groups can access quality program and meeting space to develop their own specific programs, together with a variety of social, sport and recreation, leisure and wellness programs developed by the Centre. The Franklin Horner Community Centre serves people of all ages.

FRANKLIN HORNER COMMUNITY CENTRE

Annual General Meeting

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Brad Jones, Board Chair at 11:45 a.m.

2. Quorum confirmed. Quorum

3. Motion to accept agenda: Moved by Peter Leon that the agenda be accepted, seconded by David Guspie and carried.

4. Acknowledgments:

Board chair Brad acknowledged that it has been a year of growth for the Centre. The meal program has been running for 115 weeks, serving over 17,000 meals over the period. He acknowledged that staff members Susan Milankov and Pema Rinzin have left the organization and thanked them for their contribution. He also welcomed Elizabeth, who joined the organization during the previous year. Laura paid tribute to the members who passed away over the previous year.

5. Motion to dispense with the reading the minutes of last AGM:

Moved by Heather, seconded by Peter and carried.

6. Motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2021 AGM:

Moved by Heather to approve the minutes, seconded by Marilyn and carried.

7. Auditor's Report: was presented by Teri Heggum, Chartered Accountant and Licensed Public Accountant who performed the audit for the past 3 years.

Teri stated that, in her opinion, that the Board of Directors had managed the financial affairs of the Centre in a responsible manner. She also commented that just as the generous contributors brought some \$95,000 of gifts in kind to FHCC, the many volunteers also bring significant value to the Centre in the generous donation of their time. Julia went over the statement, highlighting items of note and explaining the balance sheet, deferred income, and liabilities. She thanked Brad, Laura, Armand and Rosa for a clean audit. She explained that some restructuring had occurred, as KIP Canada's payroll was no longer administered by the Centre.

8. Appointment of Auditor: Moved by Heather that Teri Heggum, Chartered Accountant, be appointed Auditor to hold office until the next Annual Meeting at a remuneration to be fixed by the Board, seconded by Linda Elkerton and carried.

10. Election of Board members:

Motion to accept the slate of candidates as presented;

Armand Conant

Moved by Brad Jones

Seconded by Peter Leon and Carried

11. There were no questions or comments.

12. Meeting Adjournment: moved by Armand to adjourn at 11:53 PM after which members enjoyed a light lunch.

Minutes taken and submitted Heather Robertshaw,
in the role of Secretary

Minutes approved by Brad Jones, Board Chair

Date _____

Message from the Board of Directors

What a great year we have had at FHCC. Our center has been a busy place this past year. We have had movie companies using our space, car shows, Smash Wrestling is back, hockey swaps, Extravaganza was in full swing, bus trips, spring and Christmas markets and events with our partners through the whole year. And I am sure I have missed many other events. Did you know that our Food from Faraway friends has grown and will be growing even more with a new federal grant that will be coming in over the next three years. What an amazing program we have in place, our team saw the gaps the pandemic left for our community and answered the call. So much for everyone who is a member to be proud of, I know that our board is pleased with where we are at the end of this year.

We will be starting up our lunch and learn sessions this October with exciting new speakers, so we are continuing to move in new directions. On behalf of the Board we would like to thank the staff, volunteers, members and users of our center for another amazing year.

Thank you!

Brad Jones

In Memoriam

Len Brennan

Ann Fry

Ed Maddox

Shirley Davey

Sheila Gallagher

John Neal

Don Decaire

Arden Lambe

Chico Pacheco

Pat Loy

Franklin Horner Community Centre Activity Report April 2022 – March 2023

After a few years that appeared a lot like the one before it, the beginning of our 2022-23 year was one where we started to cautiously venture forward. As often happens at the Centre, it started with a party! Our Easter Dinner saw 100 seniors pack the lounge, treated to a delicious prime rib dinner that left everyone satisfied yet begging for more. This happened as our weekly programming expanded to 6 days a week with our rich schedule of card games harkening back to exciting pre-pandemic times. We also sent a full bus of seniors for a fun day at Fallsview Casino, as the spring thaw began to see our seniors emerge not just from the winter but 2 years of restrictions and closures. The Centre began to truly come alive.

As temperatures continued to rise in May, we continued to grow more confident. Another Fallsview trip rang in the month, and the first week saw the return of one of our old programming staples – Friday morning line-dancing. As our seniors dosey doed their way to physical fitness and wellness, we focused on keeping our members healthy and well fed. Our Food for Faraway Friends meal program turned into a Mother's Day brunch, and we hosted Toronto Public Health to run a COVID vaccine clinic that was healthy all day. With no restrictions in our way, we were also pleased to be able to run our 2nd annual Spring Market. With no tropical storm to spoil our day, we had a great turnout of unique vendors, and members of the community who came by were treated to a delicious BBQ. Picking up a head of steam, we cruised into June with the wind at our sails. Our Strawberry Social packed the gym at levels we haven't seen in years, with One Man Band Jay Franco keeping our members dancing and our incredible army of volunteers keeping them fed. Our special thanks go out to Kristin Courtney and the amazing team at Access Abilities for their tireless efforts and generosity, both in sponsoring the event and being there on the day with care packages for guests and never-ending positivity and warmth. With that, and a special Canada Day edition of Food for Faraway Friends, the summer was in full swing.

As always, the summer is often marked by quiet preparation for our annual Extravaganza. This year we were joined by our summer students Miles and Samuel, who hit the ground running and injected their positivity and good humour into the office. We also made sure to take advantage of the weather to bring back our "Big Tent", which has been a staple of our summer programming since the beginning of the pandemic. We are so happy to be able to shift our programming outside on a beautiful day, as a warm day during a Canadian summer should never be wasted. Thanks to our friends at Tapestry, we were able to host two Box Concerts outdoors featuring extraordinarily talented musicians which wowed everyone who attended. Not wanted to be one-upped, Miles and Samuel (along with a few friends) were themselves the musical act at our Summer BBQ in July. Attendees were treated to hamburgers and drinks and the amazing talents of our summer students. We also sent another busload of seniors to Fallsview, as there are few places more fun than Niagara Falls in the summer. As August approached its conclusion, the Centre's programming was interrupted for a few days due to a

film shoot on location. We appreciate the understanding of our members, as these film shoots allow us to continue to provide our essential programming at an affordable price.

Each Saturday after Labour Day, Franklin Horner becomes a stable for residents of Alderwood and this year was no different. That's because Extravaganza returned for a 17th edition! After two years of tight restrictions and uncertainty, it felt as if this was the strongest edition of the event in memory. From the food to the live entertainment, stage games, kids area and vendor tables, it really had everything. Events like these take hundreds of hours of prep, and for that we owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to our summer students, our army of volunteers and are generous sponsors who make all of this possible. Most importantly, a thank you to all of you who came out, who financially and physically supported this event. Your joy on the day gives us the gratifying response we need to tackle this task again next year.

After a brief pause to catch our breath post Extravaganza (accentuated by another film shoot in late September), October was jam packed with fun events. We started with our Food for Faraway Friends Thanksgiving Edition, a delicious turkey dinner that was enjoyed by all. Sponsored by Ridley Funeral Home, Gordon MacGregor presented "7 Key Steps to Being Organized", a Lunch and Learn workshop event around estate and will planning. Later that month, we were pleased to present the previous year at our Annual General Meeting. Thank you to all who came out to share their voice and show how engaged and invested you are in our community. Having brought the big event back the previous year, we were very happy to again host our Halloween Party – sharing a delicious roast beef dinner with a room full of amazingly dressed up seniors!

As the fall moved along, November has always been the "calm before the Christmas storm" for us. We were pleased to be able to launch a new program – Pickleball! Thanks to the Ontario Seniors Secretariat, we were able to acquire the equipment and an instructor to host a 5 week "Learn to Play" class, that turned into a weekly drop-in session on Friday. With the massive worldwide growth of Pickleball, we look forward to continuing to grow this program with you.

December has traditionally been our busiest month, and this may have been our busiest December! It started out with our annual Christmas Market, which moved back indoors after a few cold mornings in 2020 and 2021. We don't know if it was the weather that stopped people from going to the Santa Clause Parade that day or if you were all just excited to get started on your Christmas shopping, but we were amazed by the turnout! A busy Saturday in the gym became a busy Wednesday in the gym, as our Members Christmas Turkey Dinner packed the building once more. Special thanks to our friends at Storefront Humber who were there on the day helping to prepare and serve. The following Saturday, Breakfast with Santa was another roaring success, as families from around the community came to see the big guy and have a nice pancake breakfast. Always wanting to innovate, we hosted our first ever "Christmas Open House". Members from around the community came to enjoy free appetizers, drinks and live music, and we were so happy that Councillor Amber Morley could join us to meet some of our

members. Finally, Christmas week itself is a time many businesses scale back or shut down, but at the Centre things were as busy as ever. Our annual "Seniors Home Alone" program opened our doors to members on December 25th, as our community became their community celebrating the big day. One week later, we rang in the New Year with your special NYE edition of our Food Program with Chicken and Ribs! With these two big days so close together, we didn't want anyone to miss out on celebrating without something delicious to mark the occasion.

With January the staff was able to catch its breath while continuing and maintaining our existing programs, but a big part of that was getting ready for a big one in February. February saw the return of one of our Pre-Pandemic favourites, Ladies Spa Day. We were fortunate to have the support of students from multiple schools that day providing the services, while the guests were pampered with delicious appetizers, wine and other drinks. Later that month, we had our annual pancake breakfast on Shrove Tuesday. March was particularly busy, with the Centre hosting Tara Neal McNally for a Lunch and Learn event about Real Estate Myths. Our seniors headed again to Fallsview Casino, and we were very pleased to bring back Roman, our Reflexology Practitioner. But the big event of March, making its first return since the pandemic, was our Seniors Health Fair. Organized around the theme of "Boosting Brain Health and Memory", we were pleased to have the help of West Toronto Community Health Services. Attendees were treated to a light lunch, an opportunity to meet numerous health-based organizations from around the community, and attend an informative talk. It was the perfect way to wrap up a year of growth and restoration.

This past year has been an opportunity for us to confidently step forward, having spent the last few years pivoting around ever-changing restrictions and government policies. This year, we were able to focus on being the best version of ourselves. We were able to do this because of the incredible work of volunteers, sponsors, community partners and more who lent their time, their wisdom and their efforts. We owe so much to them, and yet we owe even more to you, the members of our community. We are very pleased with how far we got in the last year, and are so excited with where things are headed. Thank you for being a part of our community. The best is yet to come.



Henry and Odile tending bar at our Summer BBQ



Heather and Marina at our Halloween Party

PROXY FORM

October 4th, 2023

Annual General Meeting

To designate another member to vote on your behalf, please print their name on the line below.

I, hereby designate: _____

Note: this form confirms authority to vote only on the motions presented below.

1) ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:

	For	Against	Abstain
Brad Jones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shelley Porritt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

This proxy must be received by the office 48 hours prior to the October 4th, 2023 General Meeting.

NAME (please print) _____

SIGNATURE _____

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