



荷頓加華協會

HALTON REGION CHINESE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION

2012 Annual General Meeting

Saturday, December 15, 2012, 1:00 pm

Red Maple Buffet Restaurant, Burlington

AGENDA

1. Minutes of 2011 Annual General Meeting

Motion: "That the Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting be approved."

2. President's Report

Motion: "That the President's Report be received."

3. Treasurer's Report

Motion: "That the Treasurer's Report be received."

4. Election of Board of Directors

Motion: "That the following members be elected to the Board of Directors for the term of 2013-2014"

Mr Louis Tsai, President	Ms Jessie Chen
Mr Allan Lo, Past President	Ms Mary Lui
Mr Ho Wong, Treasurer	Dr Paul Wu
Ms Amy Ho	

Note: They will join the following current Board members whose term expires on December 31, 2013

Mr Jason Lok, VP Communications	Ms. Jing Guo, Secretary
Ms. Paula Lam, VP Public Relations	Mr. Johnathan Lang.
Mr Paul Viscusi, VP New Programs	

5. HRCCA New Program Implementation:

Lion Dance Program
TaiChi Program
Cooking Class Program

6. Other Businesses

Chinese New Year Gala—Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Summit Chinese Cuisine Restaurant, in support of Milton District Hospital Foundation
Fundraising effort in support of Milton District Hospital Foundation: HRCCA & MCA Tote Bag Sale
Award of 2012 HRCCA Scholarships
Introducing the new HRCCA website

7. Questions & Answers

8. Adjournment

Motion: "That the 2012 Annual General Meeting be adjourned."

Minutes of 2011 Annual General Meeting

December 19, 2011, 11:30 am, Red Maple Buffet Restaurant, Burlington

1. Minutes of 2010 Annual General Meeting

Motion: “That the Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting be approved.”

Moved by Eddie Shao and seconded by Doris Wong - Carried unanimously.

2. President’s Report

Motion: “That the President’s Report be received.”

Allan Lo as the sitting President of HRCCA emphasized increased focus on the growth of the organization in the next 10 years in terms of membership, cultural programming, and more importantly, the need to formulate a clear vision and a mission statement for HRCCA. He also emphasized that such growth be carried out in an inclusive and democratic environment. He was pleased to welcome five new young members to the Board of Directors; and he requested help from ALL members to grow our organization to the next higher level, so that HRCCA can truly be a strong and united voice for all Chinese Canadian in Halton Region.

Moved by Frank Tong and seconded by Doris Wong. - Carried unanimously.

3. Treasurer’s Report

Motion: “That the Treasurer’s Report be received.”

Ho Wong gave a brief summary of the financial situation of HRCCA . HRCCA is in a good financial position with a surplus of \$2,000 in 2011. The Association also has an overall operating fund in the amount of about \$20,000, a disaster relief fund of about \$1,000 and a scholarship endowment fund of over \$20,000 with Oakville Community Foundation.

Moved by Joan Ng and seconded by Hok Nam Ng - Carried unanimously.

4. Election of 2011-2012 Board of Directors

Motion: “That the following members be elected as members of the Association’s Board of Directors for the term of 2012-2013:

Mr. John Lang

Mr. Jason Lok

Mr. Paul Viscusi

Ms. Paula Lam

Ms. Jing Guo

Each of the new directors gave a brief self-introduction to the general membership with their academic background, their vision/goal they have and what they would like to accomplish during their tenure on HRCCA board.

Moved by Allan Lo and seconded by Frances Chui - Carried unanimously.

5. Results of Ideas Forum

Paul Viscusi and Amy Ho distributed the results of the Ideas Forum held in November. The list of activities and programs the Forum participants proposed were ranked according

to their popularity. Now the general membership can provide input on them before the Board decides which ones to implement.

6. Other businesses

Chinese New Year 2012 banquet gala to be held on Jan. 28, 2012. This year is to raise funds for HRCCA programs and activities. Planning meeting was scheduled on Jan. 02, 2012.

An appreciation award from HRCCA was presented to Winnie and Hok Nam for their monetary contribution to this year's HRCCA's awards.

A service award was presented to Mary Lui for her ten years of tireless and valuable contribution to HRCCA as secretary, president, past president and volunteer

7. Adjournment

Motion: "That the 2011 Annual General Meeting be adjourned."

Moved by Hok Nam Ng and seconded by Joan Ng. - Carried unanimously

2013 HRCCA Board of Directors

Mr Louis Tsai, President
Mr Allan Lo, Past President
Mr Ho Wong, Treasurer
Ms Amy Ho
Ms Jessie Chen
Ms Mary Lui
Dr Paul Wu

Mr Jason Lok, VP Communications
Ms. Paula Lam, VP Public Relations
Mr Paul Viscusi, VP New Programs
Ms. Jing Guo, Secretary
Mr. Johnathan Lang.

New Board of Directors' Bio

Jessie Chen

Jessie Chen is a Community Settlement Program Worker with Halton Multicultural Council. She is a Certified Information and Referral Specialist with direct work experience in serving immigrants and has a close connections to the diverse community. Before joining HMC, she worked as an Employment and Community Resources Specialist with Settlement and Integration Services Organization.

President's Report

Allan Lo

2012 has been a pivotal year for HRCCA as we ventured into the next phase of growth and community outreach, with a fresh crop of young and enthusiastic board members and volunteers. We have had excellent attendance at all of our events and activities throughout the year, as well as successfully fundraised for our own programs for the first time. This will enable us to provide increased services and activities for our existing members, and to attract future participants to our association. We have formed a working partnership with the Milton Chinese Association, and we will continue our effort to reach out to other community groups and to interact truly with our society in a meaningful way. With your support and commitment, we can strive forward to make HRCCA a strong and forefront community organization for all Chinese Canadians in Halton Region.

Treasurer's Report

Ho Wong

The operations in 2012 resulted in a deficit of \$1,681.10, subject to the final settlement of receipts from the Dragon Boat Festival event, which may reduce the deficit to under \$1,000. Compared to 2011, the deficit is mainly the result of the Board's decision to provide a one-time contribution of \$1,500 to the Scholarship Endowment Fund. The net amounts of most programs are in line with the Board's budget, except for the Mid-Autumn Festival event, where there was a surplus instead of a budgeted deficit of \$500. Operating expenses are higher than the previous year as the Board has decided to pre-pay a cell phone to replace the current land line.

Programs	2011 Net Amount	2012 Revenues	2012 Expenses	2012 Net Amount
Membership	\$1,230.00	\$1,140.00	\$0.00	\$1,140.00
Operating Expenses	(\$443.09)	\$1,206.50	\$1,882.12	(\$675.62)
Gym Program	\$1,274.67	\$6,161.00	\$5,887.38	\$273.62
Chinese New Year Event	\$1,312.87	\$19,170.00	\$19,170.00	\$0.00
Summer Picnic	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$888.45	(\$888.45)
Mid-Autumn Festival	(\$292.37)	\$2,560.00	\$1,899.50	\$660.50
Dragon Boat Festival	(\$325.40)	\$500.00	\$1,201.00	(\$701.00)
GIC Interest	\$6.00	\$9.85	\$0.00	\$9.85
Contribution to Scholarship Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	(\$1,500.00)
	\$2,337.38	\$30,747.35	\$32,428.45	(\$1,681.10)

As of December 14, 2012, HRCCA has total assets in the amount of \$13,623.64 in operating funds and \$4,323.92 in GIC, a Disaster Relief Reserve Fund of \$915.00, and a New Programs Reserve Fund of \$2,935.17. Finally, entrusted with the Community Foundation of Oakville, the Scholarship Endowment Fund now stands at \$26,071.27 (as of December 31, 2011). As of December 14, 2012, there are 92 active members and 63 inactive ones (who have not renewed their membership in the past three years but remain on the Association's mailing list).

Assets & Funds	2011 Balance	2012 Revenues	2012 Expenses	2012 Balance
Cash and Bank Balance	\$15,314.59	\$30,737.50	\$32,428.45	\$13,623.64
Accounts Receivable/Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Scotiabank GIC (as of Sep 30, 2012)	\$4,314.07	\$9.85	\$0.00	\$4,323.92
Benevolent Reserve Fund	\$915.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$915.00
New Programs Reserve Fund	\$0.00	\$5,115.17	\$2,180.00	\$2,935.17
Scholarship Endowment Fund (as of Dec 31, 2011)	\$23,159.36	\$4,411.91	\$1,500.00	\$26,071.27
New Programs Reserve Fund	\$0.00	\$5,115.17	\$2,180.00	\$2,935.17
Scholarship Endowment Fund (as of Dec 31, 2011)	\$23,159.36	\$4,411.91	\$1,500.00	\$26,071.27
	\$43,703.02	\$40,274.43	\$36,108.45	\$47,869.00

2012 Highlights

Chinese New Year *Dragon's Love* Gala

Another successful sold-out event at the Summit Garden restaurant on Jan. 28! We took a simplified approach to this year CNY celebration to give our core members and volunteers a break so that they can truly enjoy the festivity. Guests were treated to a special Dragon themed menu and premiere entertainment by the



Carry-On band, with special guest appearance by Bertha Ngai. And for the first time, we also used the event to raise fund for HRCCA's new programs for the members. More than \$5,000 was raised for our initial programs' expenditure. The new programs will increase our ability to attract new members, and greatly enhance our outreach effort to interact with our society in a variety of meaningful ways, with *Dragon's Love*, of course!

Congratulations HRCCA Splash: Golden Dragons!

Through the summer heat, sweat and dedication, we took home Gold in division C with a time of 2 minutes, 20 seconds, 90 milliseconds. We even had the opportunity



to race in the Spirit race! Thanks to all the paddlers who came out to the Oakville Charity Dragon Boat Festival. Great work and hope to see you all next year!

Scholarship Award

Aldershot High School student Ida Yun Zhen Ji (紀蘊真) was the recipient for the 2012 HRCCA Scholarship. Ida is a remarkable student who displays great leadership and is active in the community through volunteering for numerous groups including Joseph Brant Hospital and Canadian Cancer Society. Yet, she still has time to excel in her academic environment, even though recently immigrated from China her command of English is impeccable. The scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating Halton high school student who has shown leadership in promoting Chinese culture, excelled in school activities, has achieved high academic standing, and is in financial need.



Donate Online to the HRCCA Scholarship Endowment Fund

Oakville Community Foundation via Canada Help, lets you donate to the HRCCA Scholarship Endowment Fund. Visit our website under HRCCA Scholarship for details.

Annual Summer BBQ Picnic

Held in Coronation Park, Oakville this year on Saturday July 7. Over 180 members, friends and guests were in attendance for the Olympic themed family gathering. Special guests included an entourage from the Milton Chinese Association, and Tai-Chi master Mr Bruce Leung, who gave us an exciting demo. Both MCA & Bruce are part of our out-reach initiative. We also have cooking competition and an impromptu lion dance demo, signaling a new beginning of a series of our new members' programs. Kids of all ages participated in our amazing Olympic themed games. Special thanks for all the volunteer chefs who endured the heat and sunburn to bring us delicious BBQ food. Our community spirit truly shone despite threat of rain earlier in the day!



Mid-Autumn Festival

Our Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration was held on October 6, 2012 at the Burlington Senior Center and it was attended by over 190 guests, performers and volunteers - including some new friends dropping in for this occasion. The whole evening featured back-to-back entertainment through the contributions and participation of local talents. As seen in the photo, kids always have a blast with Chang-Er #5, being played by our new secretary Jing.



HRCCA's First Cooking Class at the LCBO a Success!

As part of HRCCA's New Programs, some members participated in the first ever cooking class held at the LCBO. Chef Shane McCartney planned a "Stress-Free Entertaining" meal which included how to make a Classic Chicken Parmesan, Asian Coleslaw with Cilantro-Ginger Dressing and Spicy Toasted Peanuts, Homemade Kettle Chips with Jack & Lois's Secret Seasoning, and Thai Curry Soup. The audience also learned wine complements for each dish, and food sampling, of course! We are looking at offering future cooking classes with hands-on experience. If you know a recipe and are willing to share with other HRCCA members, please contact Paul at hrcca@hrcca.ca. Stay tuned for future sessions!



*Try something new for dinner
... join us for a cooking class!*



HRCCA's survey and community needs also resulted in our plan to set up program so members can practise and/or learn Tai Chi together. We are getting close to a start, either through our activity partnership with Leung's Yang Ta Chi in Burlington or through other alternatives. Tai Chi interest and needs are there; however, time preferences & logistics are still the 2 main factors of delay. Please contact Louis Tsai (Tel: 905-637-7222 or e-mail: Itsai@cogeco.ca) if you are interested in Tai Chi. Our hope is to increase the chance of grouping interested participants for a time convenient for most.

Our own HRCCA Lion Dance Troupe will be "born" soon.

Members are invited to participate in naming our Lion Dance Troupe. Participants choose a name in either Chinese and/or English and include a brief description why. The board will select a name among the submissions and announce the winner on our website. We are also seeking interested participants to join our troupe. No experience is necessary and we will train together for fun and for representing HRCCA. We hope to contribute more in community events and festive occasions to promote our Chinese culture with our new lion and dance troupe.. Please talk to or e-mail Louis Tsai or any director.



New Website & eNewsletter - not just a new face!

Our new website has been through some heavy updates to serve our members better by informing them of HRCCA activities, events, access to more resources. New areas include the community section to extend HRCCA's presence and support to the Halton Region, and it's mobile friendly. Visit us online at www.hrcca.ca.



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Objectives 宗旨

Promoting multi-culturalism, fostering understanding, interaction and harmony between Chinese Community and society at large
提倡多元文化, 促進華人與其他社區間的和諧交往與了解

Promoting and preserving Chinese culture and heritage
推廣和保存中華文化與傳統

Promoting active citizenship and providing support to other local non-profit and charitable organizations and community projects
提高公民意識及支持其他非牟利或慈善團體的社區活動

Identifying and addressing relevant social, cultural, educational and recreational issues and needs
致力於各有關社會, 文化, 教育及文娛康樂事宜

Promoting networking among the Chinese community
加強華人社區的人際關係網

2012 Special Events & Activities

Chinese New Year Fundraising Banquet

Summit Gaardens Chinese Cuisine, Mississauga

Carosol of Nations

(Burlington & Milton)

Summer Family Picnic

Corination Park, Oakville

Midautumn Festival

Burlington Seniors' Centre

Christmas Luncheon & AGM

Red Maple Buffet Restaurant, Burlington

Halton Police Chief Forum

Oakville Dragon Boat Festival

Network with Newcomers'

Information Center

Cooking Class

Sunday Recreation

Brant Hills Community Centre

Saturday Mandarin Class

Blakelock Highschool, Oakville