



HARVARD CLUB  
*of* QUEBEC

**Minutes of the Harvard Club of Québec Board of Directors Meeting  
Held on 7 October 2014 in Montréal**

Present: André Du Sault, President, Marc Novakoff, Executive Vice President, Han-Ru Zhou, Secretary, Morgan Carter, André Picard, Mitchell Miller and Cassy Wang

Absent: Lionel Alcoloumbre, Treasurer, Louis Philippe Maurice, Vice President Communications, Marie-Pier St-Hilaire and Erinn Wattie

1. Quorum

H-R Zhou declares that there is quorum and that the meeting can proceed.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the HCQ Board Meeting held on 6 June 2014

M Novakoff proposed a correction to item 3 “Review of Past HCQ Activities since January 2014”. The correction is accepted.

The Board approved the minutes of its last meeting held on 6 June 2014.

3. Review of Past HCQ Activities

M Miller reported on the Montreal Global Networking Night held at Bar Waverly on 14 June 2014.

A Du Sault reported on the Annual Quebec City Club Dinner held at the Citadelle de Québec on 19 September 2014. There were 19 participants to the Dinner, including the American Consul and his wife.

M Novakoff reported on the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Ivy League Cocktail held at the Montreal offices of Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton on 2 October 2014.

4. Building up the Club

The Board discussed the matter regarding the updating of the Club website.

The Board approved the appointment of M Miller as the principal administrator of the Club website and the appointment of C Wang as the principal administrator of the Harvard Club of Quebec Facebook Group.

Action:

- M Miller to follow up with the HAA regarding Club website matters;

- HR Zhou to draw a Board resolution appointing M Miller as the principal administrator of the Club website and C Wang as the principal administrator of the Harvard Club of Quebec Facebook Group.

## 5. Report on Club Membership

H-R Zhou presented the updated official list of Club members.

The Board approved the updated official list of Club members.

## 6. Banking Matters

A Du Sault informed the Board that, upon checking the Club account last week, the balance stood at \$1002 whereas at last Board meeting, the balance was over \$2000. Approximately \$1600 was missing from the Club account.

The Board agreed that henceforward two signatories will be required for any cheque to be drawn on the Club account, that the maximum amount that any signatory may withdraw from the account is \$500 per day, and that L Alcoloumbre shall cease to be a bank signatory for the Club account. The Board also agreed that L Alcoloumbre has until 15 October to reimburse the Club any unauthorized amount that he has taken from the Club account.

M Novakoff said that L Alcoloumbre must still produce the Club's most recent interim financial statements, which should include the amount of all donations made to the Club.

Actions :

- HR Zhou to draw a Board resolution stating that two signatories will be required for any cheque to be drawn on the Club account, that the maximum amount that any signatory may withdraw from the account is \$500 per day, and that L Alcoloumbre shall cease to be a bank signatory for the Club account;
- A Du Sault to inform L Alcoloumbre of the Board's decisions regarding Club banking matters.

## 7. Forthcoming Events

A Du Sault encouraged the Board members to attend the next Club events: "Le bilan du nationalisme québécois", a talk with Louis Balthazar and John Parisella to be held at the CIRANO on 23 October 2014, and, as part of the Speaker Series for Young Professionals, "Culture et créativité dans nos vies", a talk with Nathalie Bondil to be held at CASACOM on 4 November 2014. The Board members are also encouraged to attend the next annual Harvard Leadership Conference held on 4 February 2015.

M Novakoff presented the 2015 programme jointly developed by the Club and CIRANO, which will consist of four talks on four dates: (i) économie et mondialisation, (ii) Montréal en concurrence nord-américaine, (iii) gouvernement en mode réforme, and (iv) santé et démographie. The programme needs to be ratified by CIRANO. For these events, the Club is

responsible for the Harvard speakers' travel expenses except their transportation costs which are covered by Harvard.

A Picard suggested an event with Alexandre Taillefer on the topic of public art to be held at a museum or the residence of Mr Taillefer.

A Du Sault suggested an event on the theme of politics at the end of January with John Parisella as moderator, Laura-Julie Perrault, Rick Morgan (former political organizer for Brian Mulroney) and Vincent Marissal.

M Novakoff suggested that the Club organize a family-oriented event.

E Wattie will remain in charge of the next annual Global Month of Service in April 2015.

Actions:

- A Picard to discuss the idea of organizing a talk on public art with Alexandre Taillefer;
- M Miller to organize the next Global Networking Night on 13 January 2015
- C Wang to think of a specific Club event to present and discuss at the next Board meeting;

#### 8. Varia

A Du Sault informed the Board that an update of the Club Constitution will take place next year for final approval at the Annual General Meeting. Suggestions should be forwarded to HR Zhou. Initial proposed revisions to the Board members early next year.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded.

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Minutes prepared by Han-Ru Zhou, HCQ Secretary.

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