

TRENT UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

MINUTES OF THE 67th GENERAL MEETING

22 Oct. 2025

BL 106.6 Bata Library, 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Blair Armstrong, Sherry Booth, John Breukelaar, Gina Collins, Julie Crook, Jan Fialkowski, Alena Heitlinger, Wayne Holtz, Doug MacIsaac, John Marsh, Janice Matthews, Janice Millard, David Morrison, Michael Peterman, Robert Stairs, Dale Standen, Tony Storey, Paul Wilson

Via Zoom: Don McCaskill, Joanne Sandy, Al Slavin

Regrets: John Wadland

Guests: Danielle Britton, Denise Fernandez

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Gina Collins.
2. Welcome and Co-Chair's remarks: Gina welcomed all to the meeting with a special welcome to Danielle Britton, Coordinator of Alumni Engagement and Services and Denise Fernandez Director Pension, Benefits and Payroll.
3. Presentation by Danielle Britton.: Danielle reported that Alumni have launched a new [webpage](#) and that the [TUARP page](#) was also redesigned. Danielle added that Trent is looking for people to join Trent's Slo-Pitch League. She added that the Trent Queer Collective is celebrating their 50th anniversary and they are looking to build an archive related to the group. Another 50th anniversary is being celebrated by the SLO Pitch League.
4. Introduction of new members who retired between May 2, 2025 to Oct. 1, 2025: Staff: Denise Griffin, Campus Security Shift Lead – Risk Management, Lorelei Wilkinson, Senior Development Officer – External Relations, Robert Loney, Demonstrator – School of Environment, Robert Ballarin, Project Manager – Facilities Management, Chris Williams, Science Facilities Manager – Science Complex, Robert Ford, Caretaker – Facilities Maintenance, Sherry Booth, AVP, Philanthropy & Alumni Engagement, External Relations/Development. Faculty: Diane Archer, Psychology, Rita Bode, English, David Newhouse, Indigenous Studies, Victoria De Zwaan, Cultural Studies, Haroon Akram-Lodhi, Global Development Studies, Barry Saville, Forensic Science, Cyndi Gilmer, Nursing, Lisa Ruston, School of Business, and Brendan Hickie, School of Environment.
5. Observances for those who died between May 2, 2025 and Oct. 1, 2025: Staff: Sandra Carr, Graduate Studies and Research Officer, Research & Graduate Studies Department, Ken Johnston, Mailroom Clerk, Physical Resources, Marlene Quesnel, Housekeeper, Champlain College, Dorothy Mutter, Administrative Assistant with Trent/Queen's Teacher Education Program, Shirley Yankovich, Maps Assistant, Bata Library. Faculty: Roma Vastokas, Full Professor, Anthropology and Director of the Arts & Archaeology Program.
6. Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting of May 7, 2025 were approved by a motion of John Breukelaar, seconded by Dale Standen.
7. Business arising: None
8. Election of Members of the TUARP Executive. The existing Executive has agreed to stay on, with the exception of Tony Storey. One proposal was for a committee to be formed to identify possible future members of the Executive.

9. Financial report: Our assets are \$2,051.89, our liabilities are \$418.38 and our net worth is \$1,633.51. Members are reminded TUARP annual fees of \$10 are due at the October session. If paying by cash please bring exact change. Payment may be made by bank transfer; just add TUARP@Trentu.ca to your bank's e-transfer site. In addition payment can be sent by cheque to TUARP Trent University 1600 Westbank Drive Peterborough K9L 0G2. Fees are voluntary and we do not track arrears. We are grateful for your support. Funds are used for meeting refreshments, social events and donations.
10. Pension matters: Denise Fernandez, Director, Pension, Benefits and Payroll. Denise said as of January 1, 2025, the Staff Pension Plan has been put into the UPP and letters were sent to all people in August 2024 informing them of this move. Any pension surpluses as of 2024 will be divided between staff and the University and once permission is given from the Ontario Government cheques to individual employees will be sent out. Notice regarding actual amounts will be sent out. Denise noted that lump sum payments are subject to tax. Here is a link to the [Staff Pension Plan](#). Additional inquiries should be sent to the [Human Resources](#) and the Office of Pension, Benefits and Payroll.
11. Community Announcements: Gina announced that one of the winners from the Peterborough Regional Science Fair, Grade 8 student Claire Sehn, won a platinum award at the Canada Wide Science Fair in Ottawa. This is one of the highest awards at the fair.
12. Break
13. Honouring Tony Storey. Tony Storey, a long time member of TUARP Executive, retired from the Executive this October and members of the current Executive assembled a number of people who expressed their gratitude to Tony for his work. Remarks were made by Gina Collins, Janice Millard, Paul Wilson and Sherry Booth. Sherry composed a poem and it is included below

Ode to Tony Storey

From Dublin Street to Trent's green halls,
Tony answered countless calls.
Alumni near and alumni far,
He knew each name, each tale, each scar.
For twenty-seven years, he steered
The alumni ship with grace revered.
A builder of bridges, a maker of cheer,
He turned "connection" into a career.
TUARP Times? His clever pen,
Kept us informed again and again.
With stories rich and updates bright,
He made each issue pure delight.
Passion for Trent? It's in his veins—
Colleges, students, and campus lanes.
Advice so kind, wisdom so deep,
Promises made, and promises he'd keep.
So here's to Tony—our friend, our guide,
With laughter and loyalty side by side.
Raise your glass, let's give a cheer,
And toast this legend... with a cold, good beer!

14. Any Other Business: The Christmas Party will be held at Ashburnham Alehouse on Hunter St. East. The date is yet to be announced.

15. Adjournment: Moved by Janice Matthews to adjourn. Adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Janice Millard, Secretary