

The Calgary Chinese Elderly Citizens' Association
2020 Members' Annual General Meeting
Saturday, October 3, 2020 at 1 pm
Auditorium of the Calgary Chinatown Seniors' Centre
Appendix

President Sidney Woo presentation.

Dear members, volunteers and staff members.

Today, I am very grateful for your participation in the annual general meeting under the COVID-19 pandemic environment. I can see your loyalty and care to CCECA.

Last year, the relationship between The Calgary Chinese Elderly Citizens' Association (CCECA) and Calgary Chinatown Seniors' Centre Foundation (CCSCF) was broken. CCSCF stopped its financial support for CCECA. In addition, a funder reduced its funding to CCECA. CCECA organized an unprecedented fundraising event, led by walkathon fundraising, which was quite successful. This filled the gap financially from the peacefully separation with CCSCF.

At the beginning of this year, COVID-19 attacked the world globally. It had a major impact on the economy. Many potential donors were not able to come to donate under the COVID-19 pandemic. Many traditional fundraising methods were impossible to carry out. However, a small number of nice people still make donation to CCECA. We are especially grateful.

Under the leadership of our ED Liza Chan, our staff are working hard to apply for the government's relief fund, government allowances and take other measures to reduce expenses. This year's fiscal balance has finally stabilized.

COVID-19 also brought a major operational problem to CCECA. Most of our services provided have always been a face-to-face operation. Safe social distance requires two meters separation. Offices in CCECA are not really that big. Customers and members still need the service. CCECA staff will never give up on them, so internet and telephone are used to operate as much as possible. We hope to improve the situation gradually in the future.

Under the COVID-19 pandemic, all the staff and the volunteers have worked hard

and devoted their time, spirit and strength selflessly. For example, tax returns filing, outreach, delivery of food, household supplies, masks, condolence cards, resource guides and member status surveys, etc. I would like to thank them with respect.

This year is another year for Accreditation. The Accreditation is very important for the survival of CCECA. Accreditation is the requirement for the major funding project. Without Accreditation, CCECA will not be able to get major funding project. The Accreditation review has just been completed. All staff were doing their best to respond to the auditors. CCECA received good reviews and we are all optimistic. Thanks to all the staff and customers.

Today is the last day of the following Directors. They are Nick Wu, Thomas Chow and Henry Ng. On behalf of CCECA, I would like to thank them for their service to CCECA for so many years. I hope they will continue to serve CCECA.

Without the efforts of the Election Committee, this annual meeting will not be successful. The Nomination Committee consists of Committee Chair Claudia Lam, Secretary Li Ming Huang, committee members Desmond Lai and Raymond Chow. Thanks for their hard work.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of this Board of Directors for their time and effort.

Thank you, I wish you all peace and happiness.