

**HIDDEN HISTORIES SOCIETY YUKON  
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
Thursday, June 10 2021  
Yukon Archives Meeting Room**

**Membership Information:**

Membership fee is \$10 due annually on April 1. (Current payments expired on March 31, 2021.)  
2019/20 Board members included: Charlotte Hrenchuk, (president), Kaitlin Normandin (vice-president), Midori Kirby (treasurer), Karen Routledge (secretary), Lillian Nakamura Maguire (director), Paul Gowdie (director), Linda Johnson (director), Peggy D'Orsay (director), Georgianna Low (director).

**AGENDA**

**Present:** Charlotte Hrenchuk (chair), Midori Kirby, Lillian Nakamura Maguire, Linda Johnson, Peggy D'Orsay, Karen Routledge, Michael Gates, Lianne Maitland (phone), Clare Daitch (phone)

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Adoption of agenda: M/S Michael/Lillian
3. Approval of 2020 AGM Minutes: M/S Karen/Charlotte.
4. Activity Report of HHSY – Charlotte tabled a report (see attached)
  - a. Of note: We had many more media requests this year than in previous years, especially during Black History Month. We did not get any media requests during Asian Heritage Month. Linda suggested maybe planning something for Asian Heritage Month next year.
5. Financial Report – Midori tabled year-end financial statement and current financial balance sheet (see attached)
  - a. Financial statements approval: M/S Linda/Michael
  - b. Special resolution to waive requirement for audit. M/S Linda/Lillian.
6. Election of officers – Following people have agreed to stand:
  - a. President – Charlotte Hrenchuk
  - b. Vice-President – Kaitlin Normandin
  - c. Treasurer – Midori Kirby (Agreed to serve again but due to other commitments, she will need assistance from other Board members. Michael Gates expressed potential interest for next year).
  - d. Secretary – Karen Routledge
  - e. Directors –Peggy D'Orsay, Paul Gowdie, Linda Johnson, Lillian Nakamura Maguire, Michael Gates.

M/S – Michael Gates and Linda Johnson for slate of officers presented

Karen to send minutes to current members and last year's members.

Lianne introduced an option to pay online for YHMA memberships, they do it through Jotform, need a Square account. Payments go through Paypal. Karen and Midori to meet with Lianne to discuss.

Propose Thursday July 8 at 12:00 for next meeting, location TBA.

7. Adjourn meeting – Moved by Charlotte Hrenchuk.

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**Activity Report April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021**

**Main events** of the year were:

- Due to COVID-19 there were no big events this year.
- In November, Lillian (Zoom) and Paul presented to a grade 9 class at FH Collins on HHSY with a discussion of white privilege.

**Main activities** of the year were:

- Monthly meetings recommence, however our activities, such as events or public presentations, are limited by COVID 19 restrictions.
- Charlotte submitted suggestions for commemorative stamps of Lucile Hunter and the Black soldiers who built the Alaska Hwy to Canada Post.
- Charlotte met with a grade 9 student who was interested in researching Lucile Hunter.
- Peggy contributed new information on Lucile Hunter and black and Asian residents.
- Lillian, Georgianna, and Charlotte participated in a virtual workshop on advocacy and museums hosted by the Yukon Historical Museums Association.
- Funding from CDF was obtained to update the website. Paul contributed many volunteer hours working with a contractor to complete this project by March 31, 2021. Includes an inventory spreadsheet for our existing audio-visual material.
- A new mission, vision statement, and principles were crafted to better reflect what we do currently.
- A decision was made to focus on research and education and supporting other groups who are interested in researching their involvement in Yukon history. We will not organize large cultural events that are not focused on history but can collaborate with other groups that are hosting these events. We can host more specific events, e.g. to promote our own activities or seek new members or contributors.
- Press coverage during Black History Month:
  - Charlotte was interviewed on Lucile Hunter for CBC radio and *Northbeat* (CBC TV) Feb. 9 & 10, 2021.
  - Peggy did an interview with *Yukon News*, in February 17, 2021 paper and had an interview with CBC radio.
  - Paul and George Rivard interviews in *Aurore Boréale* as well as by Dave White for CBC radio.
  - Peggy was interviewed by *Aurore Boréale* for the Feb. 11, 2021 edition.
  - Paul and Lillian were interviewed by Paige Galette on HHSY for *Yukon North of Ordinary*.
- HHSY increased our social media presence via Facebook thanks to Karen.

**TENTATIVE PLANS 2020/21:**

- Reaching out to community organizations
- Inventory of our existing audio-visual material: adding audio to existing Powerpoints. Images and text can be changed to fit certain age level, etc.

- Post audio visual material on the website: snippets of interviews with permission.
- Reading list for website
- *Gold Rush* TV show: Possible story of Lucile Hunter with a HHSY member interviewed.
- Curriculum reform
- Labour reform
- CDF grant to research and create 4 new panels on the Randhawa family, Agee family, Massa Sakata, Bruce Sung family.
- Ideas for May 2022 Asian Heritage Month: launch of new panels
- public event with the focus on the Asian residents who owned/operated their own small business or owned/operated mining claims in the Yukon
- Research project on Asian and Black miners. Perhaps funding available from mining companies, Chamber of Mines etc.
- Proposal to the Hougen family for a bust of Lucile Hunter.

**Mission:**

HHSY is dedicated to uncovering previously underrepresented histories in the Yukon, with a particular focus on the history of Black and Asian people. We conduct and support research, contribute to community education, and collaborate with other community groups. We foster increased understanding and awareness of diverse contributions to the social, economic, and cultural fabric of the Yukon.

**Vision:**

People of diverse backgrounds will be fully included in the documentation and interpretation of Yukon history.

**Principles:**

Hidden Histories Yukon adheres to the principle of using first voice whenever possible. We conduct research in a professional manner and respect the dignity of individuals and families we are researching. We consult and collaborate with descendants when possible.

**Report by 2020/21 HHSY Board members:**

President: Charlotte Hrenchuk

Vice-president: Kaitlin Normandin (on leave for 3 months)

Treasurer: Midori Kirby

Secretary: Karen Routledge

Directors: Paul Gowdie, Peggy D'Orsay, Linda Johnson, Lillian Nakamura Maguire, Georgianna Low

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## Year-End Financial Statement

April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021

<b>BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD (Apr. 2019-Mar. 2020)</b>		<b><u>\$ 4,680.08</u></b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
▪ 2020/21		
YG Community Development Funds	\$ 3,371.00	
▪ Donations	\$ 30.00	
▪ Membership fees (\$10 x 19ppl)	\$ 190.00	
	<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,591.00</u></b>
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b><u>\$ 8,271.08</u></b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
▪ Mail Box fee	\$ 45.41	
▪ Society fee to Charlotte (reimbursement)	\$ 10.00	
▪ RBC Bank fee (\$3.75 x 12mos + \$4.50 x 1m)	\$ 49.50	
○ Account Monthly fee \$3.75		
○ Paper statement fee \$4.50*		
*Ended as of April, 2020		
▪ HHSY Web Hosting (2019/20) to Namesonic	\$ 79.11	
▪ HHSY account fee with Newspapers.com	\$ 74.90	
▪ Sprucetip (HHSY Web design)	\$ 3,837.75	
	<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,096.67</u></b>
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,096.67</u></b>
<b>BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD (Apr. 2020-Mar. 2021)</b>		<b><u>\$ 4,174.41</u></b>

Signed by HHSY Board of Directors members  
C.R. Hrenchuk

Midori Kirby

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President

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Treasurer