

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) MINUTES

Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal)
TCYL(F)

MEETING LOCATION: Groundhog Pub
425 Bloor Street East,
Toronto, ON

MEETING DATE: 6 January 2006
1:00PM

Present at the Meeting:

Chris Drew (member)	Lesley Myers (member)
Brian Clow (chair)	Milton Chan (guest)
Ramsey Troughton (member)	Adlan Taramon (member)
Andrew Campbell (member)	Yuri Navarro (member)
Elvaria Omarbagaeva (member)	Davin Raiha (member)
Rakhman Taramon (member)	Suma George (member)
Davies Bagambiire (guest and TCPLA President)	Rob Oliphant (guest)
Meredith Cartwright (guest and TCOWLC President)	Bob Fisher (guest and TCFLA Membership Secretary)
	Jay Telegdi (member, Ryerson Young Liberals President)

Regrets: Anderi Metelkine

Chair of the Meeting:
Brian Clow

1. Call to Order

Brian Clow called the meeting to order at 1:00PM

2. Approval of the Agenda

Lesley Myers moved acceptance of the Agenda. Seconded by Andrew Campbell. Carried.

3. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous AGM – 12 September 2005

Chris Drew moved acceptance of the minutes from the previous AGM. Jay Telegdi seconded the motion. Carried.

4. Report from the TCYL(F) Auditor

Chris Drew reported on the finances of TCYL. He stated that the fundraiser brought in approximately \$1,400.00. The funds would be equally split with the Ryerson Young Liberals. To date, the only expenses for TCYL have been the food for this Annual General Meeting (AGM).

5. Report from the President

Chris Drew reported that 2006 had been an extremely successful year for the club. In 2006, our club:

- attended every single important Liberal Party Event including the Liberal Party Leadership Convention and the LPC(O) AGM;
- wrote a policy with the Ryerson Young Liberals (RYL) on Affordable Housing which was unanimously passed at the Ontario Young Liberal Policy Conference;
- held a successful fundraiser with the RYL and received \$1,400 in donations;
- participated in the OYL Summer Olympics and made a strong showing
- attended many OYL events including the Leadership Speaker Series at Ryerson;
- we had volunteered in the 2006 Federal election and several by-elections; and,
- the club volunteered at a number of events throughout the year.

6. Constitutional Amendments

Chris moved the following amendments to the Constitution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following amendment be made in the Constitution:

ARTICLE 5.0 - EXECUTIVE

5.1 The following shall be Officers of the Executive:

- a) President (Federal);***
- b) Executive Vice-President (Federal and Provincial);***
- c) Vice-President Federal Affairs;***
- d) Vice-President Provincial Affairs;***
- e) Vice-President Policy Development (Federal);***
- f) Vice-President Constitution and Membership (Federal and Provincial);***
- g) Vice-President Campus Club Affairs (With responsibility for Ryerson, Victoria College at U of T, George Brown);***
- h) Vice-President Communications and Recruitment (Federal and Provincial);***
- i) Vice-President Social Affairs (Federal); and,***
- j) Two (2) Member-At-Large (Federal) positions.***

5.1.1 The Executive of the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal) shall work closely and in coordination with the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Provincial). TCYL(F) and TCYL(P) will elect the same individual for the following positions on both Executives, and these Executives will be automatically elected for both clubs depending on which club holds their Annual General Meeting first within the allotted time frame established by the OYL:

- a) Vice-President Finance (Federal and Provincial);***
- b) Vice-President Campus Club Affairs and Recruitment (such as Ryerson, Victoria College at U of T, George Brown) (Federal and Provincial);***
- c) Vice-President Community Engagement (Federal and Provincial);***

- d) ***Vice-President Communications and Outreach (Federal and Provincial); and,***
- e) ***Vice-President Communications and Recruitment.***

Discussion

Chris spoke in favour of the constitution. He said that it would ensure the Toronto Centre Young Liberals both Federal and Provincial would work well together. Chris also said that he spoke with Anderi from the provincial Toronto Centre Liberals and was told that he supports the Constitutional amendments.

Lesley stated that she looked over the proposed amendment and agreed with the changes.

Chris moved the motion and it was seconded by Aldan. Carried unanimously.

7. Election of the Executive

Chris Drew moved to dispense reading of the rules for the AGM. Seconded by Lesley. Carried with Jay Telegdi voting against the motion.

Brian Clow opened the nominations for the Executive.

President (Federal)

Lesley nominated Chris Drew for President. Ramsey seconded the nomination. Chris accepted the nomination for President. Brian stated that Chris was acclaimed as President for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal).

Executive Vice-President (Federal and Provincial)

Chris nominated Ramsey T. for Executive Vice-President (Federal and Provincial). Andrew seconded the nomination. Ramsey accepted the nomination for Executive Vice-President. Brian stated that Ramsey was acclaimed as Executive Vice-President for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal and Provincial).

Vice-President Finance (Federal and Provincial)

Chris nominated Davin R. for Vice-President Finance (Federal and Provincial). Adlan seconded the nomination. Davin accepted the nomination for Vice-President Finance. Brian stated that Davin was acclaimed as Vice-President Finance (Federal and Provincial) for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal and Provincial).

Vice-President Constitution and Membership (Federal and Provincial)

Chris nominated Andrew C. for Vice-President Constitution and Membership (Federal and Provincial). Lesley seconded the nomination. Andrew accepted the nomination for Vice-President Finance. Brian stated that Andrew was acclaimed as Vice-President Constitution and Membership (Federal and Provincial) for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal and Provincial).

Vice-President Communications and Secretary (Federal and Provincial)

This position was left vacant in order to recruit new members to the executive team.

Vice-President Federal Affairs

Chris nominated Yuri N. for Vice-President Finance (Federal and Provincial). Andrew seconded the nomination. Yuri accepted the nomination for Vice-President Federal Affairs. Brian stated that Yuri was acclaimed as Vice-President Federal Affairs (Federal and Provincial) for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal and Provincial).

Vice-President Provincial Affairs

Chris indicated that Anderi M. had provided written notice that he was interested in serving as Vice-President Provincial Affairs for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal).

Vice-President Policy (Federal)

Chris nominated Lesley Myers for Vice-President Policy (Federal). Jay seconded the nomination. Lesley accepted the nomination for Vice-President Policy (Federal). Brian stated that Davin was

acclaimed as Vice-President Finance (Federal) for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal).

Vice-President Social Affairs (Federal)

Chris nominated Elvaria O. for Vice-President Social Affairs (Federal). Yuri seconded the nomination. Elvaria accepted the nomination for Vice-President Social Affairs (Federal). Brian stated that Elvaria was acclaimed as the Vice-President Social Affairs (Federal) for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal).

Member-at-Large (Federal)

Chris nominated Rakhman T. for the Member-at-Large position. Andrew seconded the nomination. Rakhman accepted the nomination for Member-at-Large (Federal). Brian stated that Rakhman T. was acclaimed for the position of Member-at-Large (Federal) for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal).

Member-at-Large (Federal)

Chris nominated Jay Telegdi for the Member-at-Large position. Adlan seconded the nomination. Jay accepted the nomination for Member-at-Large (Federal). Brian stated that Jay was acclaimed for the position of Member-at-Large (Federal) for the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Federal).

Vice-President Communication and Recruitment

Chris announced that this position would be left open in order to bring in a new member to the executive at a future date.

8. New Business

By-Elections

Davies informed the meeting of two provincial by-elections taking place in the ridings of Markham and York-South Weston. He encouraged members of the Toronto Centre Young Liberals to volunteer for these elections.

Toronto Centre Ontario Women's Club

Meredith encouraged female members of the Toronto Centre Young Liberals to join the Toronto Centre Ontario Women's Club. Meredith also informed the members that the Women's Club was holding a fundraiser and that any one interested in attending should contact her.

Out of Riding Members

Bob reminded the members that the new Liberal Party of Canada does not allow out of riding members to vote in riding associations. These members can still hold positions and participate in riding association or youth club business. If a member was already signed up as a out of riding member, they must renew their membership before the end of March 2007 in order to continue being able to vote in the association or youth club, as they had done previously.

Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Provincial)

Chris informed the members that the Toronto Centre Young Liberals (Provincial) would be founded at the end of January 2007. More information about the founding would be communicated shortly.

9. Adjournment

Chris moved to adjourn the meeting. Ramsey seconded the motion. Carried.

MINUTES
Founding Meeting of the
Toronto Centre Young Liberals
(TCYL)
Foxes Den Bar & Grill
1075 Bay Street,
Toronto, Ontario
Monday, September 12, 2005,
5:00PM

Present:

1	Greg	Beres
2	Andrew	Byer
3	Kayley	Collum
4	Rafik	Dawood
5	Chris	Drew
6	Gary	Edwards
7	Mary Alice	Elcock
8	Erica	Graham
9	Kim	Ibarra
10	Will	Kidell
11	Chelsie	McKnight
12	Geoff	Metropovk
13	Davin	Raiha
14	Alica	Rovault
15	Ted	Witzel

Chair: Brian Clow, President – U of T Young Liberals
Guest: Milton Chan
Start Time 5:05 pm

Motion to approve agenda: Kaley Collum, seconded by Ted Whitzel
- passed unanimously

Chris Drew makes comments about the constitution

- this is BOTH a federal and provincial club, therefore the document must be amended further
- apart from this minor detail, the constitution is quite standard and in good shape

Motion to approve constitution: Davin Rhaia, seconded by Rafik
- passed unanimously

Nominations of executive positions

- **President:** Chris Drew is nominated by Rafik Dawood, seconded by Mary-Alice Elcock
 - no other members are nominated, therefore Chris Drew is elected president
- **Executive Vice-President:** Kevin-Paul Deveau is nominated by Chris Drew, and seconded by Ted Whitzel
 - Chelsea McKnight inquires as to what exactly the vice-president does
 - Chris Drew answers that their job is used as a back-up position, although it is still very much important, and the vice-president is used for special projects and to aid with governance
 - confusion soon erupts, as there are attempts for Brian to be elected for this position, however Brian is the Chair and cannot be elected

- no other members are nominated, therefore Kevin Paul Deveau is elected vice-president
- **Secretary:** Greg Beres is nominated by Chris Drew, and seconded by Alicia Rouault
 - no other members are nominated, therefore Greg is elected secretary
- **Treasurer:** Davin Rhaia is nominated by Rafik Dawood, and seconded by Chris Drew
 - no other members are nominated, therefore Davin is elected treasurer

Motion to adjourn meeting: Rafik Dawood, seconded by Mary-Alice Elcock

- passed unanimously

5:25 pm

New meeting with new executive

- Opening remarks by President Drew:
 - Thank you everyone for attending this meeting
 - This is quite an exciting year to be a Liberal, as there is a looming national election in February and an Ontario Young Liberals General meeting in October
 - I am the constituency assistance for Mr. Graham, so if you ever need help with your income taxes, you know who to call
 - It is such a privilege to be your president, as Toronto Centre is such a great riding
 - Here are some things to look forward to:
 - a summer conference, where you can meet Liberals from all across Ontario, where delegates need to be send to go
 - the next election, which was a lot of fun (right Davin??)
 - the St. Lawrence Community Festival
 - AIDS Walk
 - meeting Mr. Graham on September 19th at 519 Centre (which near Church and Wellesley) – let me know if you are interested

- Meetings are going to be held once every month, or every two months, and it is my hope to have Mr. Graham come in before exams
 - Thank you Brian for organizing everything! This has been a great success!
 - Let me introduce you to Milton, who is the Young Liberals Policy Chair. He is extremely involved and active in Young Liberal politics and is a GREAT advisor
 - Here is some information about me: I am a Ryerson student in my fourth year, studying Urban Planning
 - Chris will send an email to all TCYL members notifying them of the next meeting and upcoming events
 - Again, thank you everyone for coming out!
- Brian Clow interjects, asking Milton Chan (VP Policy - YLC) if he wants to say a few words, as Milton is "very well connected" and sits on numerous councils with high-placed Liberals in attendance (i.e. our good friend Paul)
- Milton Chan accepts Brian Clow's wish, and provides the following information
 - This is an exciting time to be a Young Liberal, although the upcoming year is going to be quite tough and difficult
 - I saw our Prime Minister over the weekend at a convention in Trois-Rivieres
 - As Young Liberals, we are going to campaign differently, as this needs to be a coordinated affair, with our main objective to get students to VOTE!
 - We also have to push votes that, as students, we care about (i.e. same sex marriage, decriminalization of marijuana, etc.)
 - Try to get involved, as much or as little as you can
 - Thank you
- Brian Clow interjects, again, stating that the drinks will not be covered, much to the dismay of many!