## Friends of the Central Experimental Farm Amis de la Ferme expérimentale centrale

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 7:00 pm

Meeting will be conducted virtually

## Welcome and Opening Remarks

Approval of Agenda - MOVED by Shirley Ewen and Seconded by Dell Durnin THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

**Minutes - MOVED by Shirley Ewen and Seconded by Dell Durnin THAT** the Minutes of Annual General Meeting, May, 2022 be approved.

**President's Report** – including 2022 results and 2023 activities

Treasurer's Report – review of financial audit for 2022

MOVED BY Randy Taylor and Seconded by Heather Webster THAT the FCEF 2022 Audited Financial Statements prepared by Numeris CPA Professional Corporation be accepted.

Appointment of 2023 Auditors – MOVED by Randy Taylor and Seconded by Heather Webster THAT, based on the results of an RFP that was issued in 2022, and the successful bidder being Numeris CPA Professional Corporation, this company be appointed as the auditor for the 2023, 2024 and 2025 financial statements.

Message from Riley Brockington, Councillor for River Ward

Election of Board Members - MOVED by Eric Jones and Seconded by Dell Durnin that Chantale Neapole, Janice Tayles, Cheryl Hutcheson, Elizabeth Atkinson, Dianne Caldbick, Mark Vigder, Christina Fiedorowicz, Linda McLaren, and Donna Pape be elected to the FCEF Board of Directors.

The Board will also include returning Directors Eric Jones, Shirley Ewen, Heather Webster and Dell Durnin.

The FCEF Board wishes to acknowledge the many years of excellent service of Blaine Marchand, Deborah Higdon-LeBlond, Randy Taylor, Richard Hinchcliff and Rob Stuart. We thank them gratefully and wish them well.

**MOVED BY Eric Jones and seconded by Shirley Ewen THAT** the Board be granted the power to add additional Board members as appropriate prior to the 2024 AGM.

**VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION FOR TERMS OF SERVICE** – Christina Fiedorowicz

## Other Business

**Guest Speaker:** Alex Henderson, Curator of Living Collections at the Royal Botanical Gardens in Burlington will speak on *Discovering a Renown Long Lost Lily*.

Alex had been on the hunt for the elusive George C. Creelman lily hybridized by the Central Experimental Farm's Isabelle Preston. This lily was created in 1916 when Miss Preston was a student at the Ontario Agricultural College (OAC) in Guelph Ontario. Learn about the story behind the search for the lily that brought Miss Preston international fame.

