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Hello Folks,

I have accepted Madeline's resignation and thanked her for her service to LFGA.

Her announcement relates to all her positions and was to be in effect immediately. So, I have sought out members who have strong connections to our outdoor community, commitment, skills, expertise and experience. These volunteers will join the executive and together we are very capable of positively serving our organization.

Hut Manager

Tedd Walcott

Tedd has agreed to this appointment. He is an instructor who has a history of service to our outdoor community and provides many learning opportunities for people interested in shooting, hunting and fishing. He has assisted maintaining the Hut for some time. Tedd will be an asset to our community in this role.

For your information

Sheila and the Pipers will be assisting Tedd by cleaning and doing minor maintenance. For these efforts they will get the use of the hut at no charge. Sheila has a very long history of service to LFGA and AFGA (AWF). This group has a history that will be continuing with this change of management.

Interim Treasurer and Interim Casino Chair:

Darren Vucurevich

Darren has agreed to assume these positions on an interim basis. He is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) who is the Chief Financial Officer for a mining company. In addition, he is the principal of a public accounting practice, and he is actively involved at the range coaching, mentoring, competing, and providing leadership. I am confident that his expertise will improve the transparency of our finances.

Range Financial Coordinator

Leah Brown

Leah's appointment was announced at our last General Meeting. Leah has extensive experience in the areas of management, politics, lobbying, corporate governance, finance and taxes.

This position was created in response to the queries and angst shown by those members who do not have an intimate understanding of the complexities of operating this facility. Our realities are that we need to be financially and politically sustainable. We operate in a politically charged Canada, accountable to the Chief Firearms Officer within City limits, following City agreements while providing value for Community Partners, donors and sponsors. We need to be attractive for agencies to rent. We depend on a volunteer labour force while offering a multifaceted world class facility at an attractive price point.

Expected Results

Leah and Darren are very capable. From a member perspective, LFGA will have a very capable executive.

Leah and Darren are familiar with the issues. They have indicated that they will commit to regular understandable accurate financial information for members once they have the data. They are already upgrading our financial system to a modern online product that will be accessible. In this way we will have the information that we require to predict and provide accurate information for members.

The Odd Jobs Squad (Range Committee) will be more capable to plan and execute our priorities. By the way... any Range Officer can join this group of volunteers and learn more about all the complexities we face.

Our goal is to maintain and continue to provide for the safety and long-term enjoyment of our members in the outdoors and at our facility.