TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR AN ENDOWED FUND

TITLE OF ENDOWED FUND

Jerry Yanover Memorial Fund

Jerry Yanover Memorial Scholarship at the University of Ottawa

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Jerry Yanover Memorial Fund for the Model Parliament at Queen’s University

INTRODUCTION

This fund was created in honour of Jerry Yanover. Jerry Yanover graduated from Queen’s University with a degree in Political Science in 1969. From an early age, Mr. Yanover was fascinated by all things parliamentary. In fact, he spent the summer after his first year of university working as a parliamentary tour guide and the following few summers working for his local MP. He gave up plans to earn a master’s degree when Donald Macdonald, then Liberal House leader, offered him a job as his assistant in 1969. He continued to serve every Liberal Leader and House Leader in Government and in Opposition, from that time until his death in July 2009.

A great story teller and an amateur parliamentary historian, Mr. Yanover quickly developed a reputation as an expert in the world of parliamentary procedure and became one of Canada’s foremost experts. With his encyclopaedic knowledge of arcane procedural rules and historical precedents, his unfailing memory, his natural instinct and his passion for Parliament Hill and for the process, he was the undisputed king of parliamentary manoeuvres. He knew every move and every rule, whether it was about the opposition’s strategies or the challenges that faced government. Jerry Yanover will be remembered not as a passive spectator, but as an active participant to the very end, deeply committed to the Liberal Party, his country and to the institution of Parliament.

PURPOSES OF FUND

To alternately fund the activities of the Model Parliament at Queen’s University and award a scholarship to deserving students in the Political Science Program at the University of Ottawa. The fund will be awarded for the first time in 2011-12 and will be allocated to the University of Ottawa.

A) JERRY YANOVER MEMORIAL FUND FOR THE MODEL PARLIAMENT AT QUEEN’S UNIVERSITY

INTRODUCTION

Queen’s Model Parliament is a non-partisan conference organized jointly through the Alma Mater Society and the Officer of the Speaker of the House Peter Milliken. Founded in 1947, the conference works to promote civic engagement and understanding of Canada’s Parliamentary system and national politics. This activity offers a competitive advantage to the participants in public speaking, political engagement, and professionalism. Queen’s Model Parliament has a storied history at the university, and is one of the best educational experiences any Canadian university can offer in political awareness outside the classroom, not to mention one of the most anticipated events each year.

FUND DETAILS

1. The fund shall be used to financially support the activities of Queen’s Model Parliament.
2. Funds will be disbursed at the discretion of the Head, Department of Political Studies at Queen’s University.
3. The Development Office, University of Ottawa will provide a cheque payable to Queen’s University. The allocation will be based on the balance in the expendable account and as per the details set forth in the terms of reference. The cheque will be sent to Ms. Karen Logan, see donor contact for mailing information.
B) JERRY YANOVER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Eligibility Criteria

The applicant must:
1. be registered as a full-time student in a Political Science program at the School of Political Studies of the University of Ottawa;
2. demonstrate academic excellence;
3. demonstrate an interest in political/parliamentary procedures; and
4. demonstrate an active interest in political activities.

Value of the award: $1,500; variable
Number of awards: One
Frequency of the award: Annual
Level or program of study: All levels
Application contact: Financial Aid and Awards Service
Application deadline: October 31

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must be made through Online Scholarships and Bursaries, which can be accessed through the uoZone portal, and should include:
1. a copy of the applicant’s transcript; and
2. the Curriculum Vitae on Online Scholarships and Bursaries, detailing the applicant’s interest in political/parliamentary procedures and active interest in political activities.