

RWTO ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Blue Mountain, Collingwood ON

June 3, 4 and 5, 2008

SESSION 1 – JUNE 4, 2008

1. **Welcome** – President Jean Axcell welcomed all in attendance and read a selection “Slow Dance”. Announcements were made.
2. Marilyn Emmett gave the gathered delegates the necessary voting information and procedures.
3. **Motion # AM-01**
Moved by Linda Seath, seconded by Betty Wells that the Annual Minutes be adopted as printed in the Fifty-First Annual Report. *Carried.*
4. **Treasurer’s Report** – Gloria Drake, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, gave a detailed account of the past year’s financial transactions. The Auditor’s report found that that all statements present fairly the financial position and the statement of operations for the year ending March 31, 2008. In all, she highlighted the Investments, Cash Flow, and Financial Statements. A full explanation of the proposed Budget for 2008-2009 and possible changes were also presented.

Motion # AM-02

Moved by Annette Rhodes, seconded by Carolyn Shoup the acceptance of the Executive-Secretary-Treasurer’s Report as presented. *Carried.*

The delegates were reminded of Resolution 11 that was not printed in the Annual Report.

5. **Motion # AM-03**

Moved by Pat Depencier, seconded by Jeannine Renaud that the Constitution and Resolutions Report be accepted as printed. *Carried.*

Parliamentarian, Lee Beech, assumed the chair for Resolutions.

Resolutions from the Board of Directors

Motion # AM-04

Moved by Sandra Train, seconded by Annette Rhodes

RESOLUTION 1

Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Article IV – Organization

1. Board of Directors

(g) Appointed Convenors: Goodwill, Issues & Concerns. *Carried.*

Motion # AM-05

Moved by Mary Jane Finn, seconded by Carolyn Shoup

RESOLUTION 2

Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Article VI – Duties of the Executive Officers

5. Second Vice-President

(a) Chair the Goodwill Committee *Carried.*

Motion # AM-06

Moved by Pat Depencier, seconded by Darlene Poirier

RESOLUTION 3

Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Article V1 – Duties of the Executive Officers

11. Executive Secretary-Treasurer

(g) Arrange for the distribution of the provincial newsletter *Carried.*

Motion # AM-07

Moved by Joyce Fee, seconded by Suzanne Wilson-Majerrison

RESOLUTION 4

Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Article VI – Duties of the Executive Officers

11. Executive Secretary-Treasurer

(i) be subject to an annual performance appraisal, with periodic reviews as required *Carried.*

Motion # AM-08

Moved by Sherri Stokes, seconded by Betty Wells

RESOLUTION 5

Be it resolved that the Constitution, Article VIII, Section A: Standing Committees, be amended by the addition of the following:

9. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee shall:

- a. be chaired by the Past President
- b. have two additional members who shall be current or past members of the Board of Directors
- c. ensure that the Policies and Procedures Handbook is maintained in a consistent, easy-to-use format, and is updated as changes to policies or procedures are approved by the Board
- d. review annually, in conjunction with the Executive, the Policies and Procedures Handbook to identify areas for which new, expanded, or revised policies would be useful for RWTO operations
- e. work with committees and Board members to prepare proposed additions or revisions, so that changes will adhere to current policies, procedures and Constitutional Articles, and are consistent in format with the remainder of the document
- f. provide updated files to the Provincial Office for insertion into the master document which is made available to the Board and Branches *Carried.*

Motion # AM-09

Moved by Susan Bishop, seconded by Sandra Train

RESOLUTION 6

Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Article VIII – Duties and Structure of Provincial Committees

B – Appointed Committees/Convenors

1. Goodwill Convenor

(d) assist the Executive Secretary-Treasurer with keeping the database current for members over 90. *Carried.*

Point of Order raised that the budget page was missing from many registration packages- Ann-Marie Buna. Page duplicated and passed out promptly.

Resolutions from the Branches

Motion # AM-10

Moved by Diana McKendry, seconded by Annalee Ladouceur

RESOLUTION 7 from Grenville East

Be it resolved that the branch name for Grenville East be changed to Upper Canada East. *Carried.*

RESOLUTION 8 from Windsor – Essex

Be it resolved that the annual Branch rebate per paid provincial member shall be 25% of the membership fee, commencing with the 2008-2009 membership year

Motion # AM-11

Moved by Kathryn Derby, seconded by Diane McKendry that Resolution 8 be amended to read to place \$40.00 where it was earlier. *Defeated.*

Motion # AM-12

Moved by Kathryn Derby, seconded by Shelley Cotton to postpone the vote on Resolution 8 for 15 minutes. *Defeated.*

Motion # AM-13

Moved by Jacqueline Aird, seconded by Marilynn Chiderhose that Resolution 8 be amended to read with an addition to Resolution 8 that the rebate on the \$15.00 membership fee will remain at \$8.00. *Carried.*

Motion # AM-14

Moved by Freddie Beekhuis, seconded by Emily McBride that Resolution 8 be amended to read,

Be it resolved that the annual Branch rebate per paid provincial member shall be 25% of the membership fee, commencing with the 2008-2009 membership year. The rebate on the fifteen dollar membership fee shall remain at eight dollars.

Parliamentarian requests a secret ballot.

Secret Ballot Results 71 – no, 76 – yes, 1 – blank *Carried.*

RESOLUTION 9 from York North

Be it resolved that the annual Branch rebate per paid provincial member shall be 20% (twenty percent) of the membership fee. *Redundant.*

Motion # AM-15

Moved by Diane Keesmaat, seconded by Rosemary Marcotte that Resolution 10 be accepted as printed *Original referred*

Motion # AM-16

Moved by Freddie Beekhuis, seconded by Jacqueline Aird that Resolution 10 be referred to the Board. *Carried*

RESOLUTION 10 from Hamilton – Wentworth

Be it resolved that an audio-visual presentation, explaining the details of the RWTO insurance plans, be prepared for use by local branch representatives. *Referred.*

Motion #AM-17

Moved by Jeannine Renaud, seconded by Mary Jane Finn that Resolution 11 be accepted as printed.

Motion # AM-18

Moved by Jacqueline Aird, seconded by Joyce Ratz that Resolution 11 be postponed until the 2009 AGM. *Carried.*

RESOLUTION 11 from the Board

Be it resolved to use the bilingual equivalent in concert with the RWTO designation to recognize all members equally. Name change only.

6. Sherri Stokes presented the Nominations Committee Report and emphasized that any member is able to run if she so wishes.

Motion # AM-19

Moved by Sherri Stokes, seconded by Linda Seath that the Nominations Committee Report be accepted as presented.

Point of Order – Omission of Recording Secretary Position –correction followed *Carried.*

7. Marilyn Emmett presented the Program Co-ordinator's Report as printed, noting her sense of pride in all the branches and their accomplishments. She noted that there will be three new directors.

Motion # AM-20

Moved by Marilyn Emmett, seconded by Annette Rhodes to accept the Program Co-ordinator's report as printed. *Carried.*

SESSION TWO

President Jean opened the meeting once again with a warm greeting to all. Jeannine Renaud and the Directors conducted an In Memoriam Service. Red roses were placed in memory of those who have passed away in the past year.

Highlights of all the other Reports printed in the Fifty-First Annual Booklet followed. The leaders and members of RWTO should be congratulated for all the Caring, Sharing and Fun undertaken during the past year. It is evident that many hands do make for light work. The variety of programs, opportunities and imitative undertaken is simply wonderful.

Motion # AM-21

Moved by Marilyn Childerhose, seconded by Diana McKendry that the Membership, Honorary Membership, Issues and Concerns, Archivist, Goodwill, Insurance, Communications, Book Report, and Honourary President's Report be accepted as printed. *Carried.*

New Business

Motion # AM-22

Moved by Lynn Hitsman, seconded by Judy Anderson that the Board of Directors of RWTO examine the purpose, content, frequency and method of presentation of the Insurance Workshops to determine the most effective use of resources and needs of new and current members and new and continuing local convenors. *Carried.*

Insurance Update

Teri Kennedy presented the cost sharing cheque to RWTO for the amount of \$29398.20. There is a net loss of 115 members to the plan.

Budget Approval

Motion # AM-23

Moved by Jeannine Renaud, seconded by Linda Jarvis that the 2008-2009 Budget be approved. *Carried.*

Motion # AM-24

Moved by Betty Wells, seconded Betty Lou Borho to destroy the ballots. *Carried.*

Invitation from Mississauga to attend the 2009 Convention was given.

Motion # AM-25

Sandy Houlgrave made a motion to adjourn. *Carried.*