

## RWTO/OERO ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Four Points Sheraton, London ON

June 2 and 3, 2010

### SESSION 1 – JUNE 2, 2010

1. **Welcome** – President Mary Jane Finn welcomed all in attendance. O Canada was sung.

2. Bev Pickard clarified the Logo Contest.

3. Marilyn Emmett gave the gathered delegates the necessary voting information and procedures. One hundred and thirty-eight delegates were present. A count of 66% (92 delegates) is necessary for constitutional amendments to pass and a count of 50% (70 delegates) for other matters.

#### 4. Motion # AM-01

Moved by Leslie Uttley, seconded by Pat Depencier that the Annual Minutes 2009 be adopted as printed in the Annual Report 2010. *Carried.*

#### 5. Business Arising From The Minutes:

- a) The Visioning Committee under the leadership of Carole Watson announced a Membership Initiative to increase branch membership. It is necessary to endeavor to meet the needs of retired women teachers whose ages span fifty years. The grant available to all branches will be \$400.00. If the membership committee receives the branch application by June 30, 2010 the funds would be dispersed by August 30, 2010. Those branches applying later will receive a grant upon approval by the membership committee. The membership committee is willing to help those who need assistance with the application. An additional \$200.00 is available to any branch that increases their membership by 5% of new members achieved through the membership activity calculated on November 30, 2011. The starting data point would be April 10, 2010. The maximum possible for any branch to receive would be \$600.00.

6. **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 all statements present fairly the financial position and the statement of operations for the year ending March 31, 2010. In all, she highlighted the Investments, Cash Flow, and Financial Statements. A full explanation of the proposed Budget for 2010-2011 and possible changes were also presented. She noted that any questions will be entertained on Thursday morning after delegates have had a chance to study the proposed budget..

#### Motion # AM-02

Moved by Marilyn Emmett, seconded by Margo Smith the acceptance of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer's Report as presented. *Carried.*

The Constitution and Resolutions Report was presented and chairperson, Carol Bell, thanked members of the committee.

**Motion # AM-20**

Moved by Carol Bell, seconded by Susan Lockyer 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**

Note: Resolutions that amend the Constitution, which are submitted by the deadline, require a 66% majority vote of the registered delegates. Amendments without prior notice require an 80% majority vote of the registered delegates – Constitution Article X – Annual Meeting, Section 4 (a)

**Motion # AM-03**

Moved by Annette Rhodes, seconded by Ruth Ferguson

**Resolution #1**

Be it resolved that **Article VI** of the Constitution **Duties of the Executive Officers** be amended as follows:

Move

**1. Honorary President**

The Honorary President shall:

- a) attend the Fall and Pre-Annual meetings of the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting.
- b) install the elected officers and the members of the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting

To:

**Article VII Duties of the Other Members of the Board of Directors. *Carried.***

**Motion # AM-04**

Moved by Carole Watson, seconded by Pat Depencier

**Resolution #2**

**Be it resolved that the preamble to the RWTO/OERO Constitution be amended to read:**

**Mission Statement**

We believe that RWTO/OERO is an organization which meets the interests and needs of retired women teachers.

### **Vision Statement**

- RWTO/OERO continually works to be a fully accessible organization to meet the unique needs of retired women teachers.
- RWTO/OERO fosters and promotes interaction among retired women teachers to help members maintain and establish friendships with former colleagues.
- RWTO/OERO provides interesting, stimulating and supportive programmes for all members.
- RWTO/OERO provides a wide range of opportunities for members to use their leadership, communication and creative skills.
- RWTO/OERO is socially conscious and works to establish a visible, outward-looking presence among teachers in particular and the public in general to improve the lives of all women and children. ***Carried.***

### **Resolutions from the Branches**

#### **Motion # AM-05**

Moved by Marion Jutzi, seconded by Rosemary Marcotte

#### ***Resolution #3 from Hamilton – Wentworth***

Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended as follows:

#### **Article IV Organization**

##### **1. Board of Directors**

##### **(b) Executive Officers**

**(xiii) Archivist becomes a new letter (h) *Defeated.***

#### **Motion # Am-06**

Moved by Joyce Fee, seconded by Susan Armstrong

#### **Resolution #4 from Peterborough**

Be it resolved that the Constitution be amended as follows:

## **Article IV Organization**

### **1. Board of Directors**

#### **(b) Executive Officers**

**(xi) Communications Convenor moves to letter (h) or the next letter in sequence. *Defeated.***

#### **Motion # Am-07**

Moved by Chereen Osborne, seconded by Linda Foster

**Resolution #5 from St. Catharines**

Be it resolved that:

## **Article IV Organization**

**1. Board of Directors** is amended by the deletion of **(vi) Assistant Provincial Insurance Convenor. *Defeated.***

#### **Motion # AM-08**

Moved by Jane Cartier, seconded by Pat Depencier that an addition to Resolution #5 read "to take effect in June 2011. ***Carried.***

**Resolution # 6 from St. Catharines**

Be it resolved that:

## **Article IV Organization**

### **1. Board of Directors**

**(f) Standing Committees** is amended by the inclusion of **Provincial Insurance Committee *No Mover.***

**Resolution # 7 from St.Catharines**

Be it resolved that:

## **Article VIII Duties and Structure of Provincial Committees**

**Section A Standing Committees** be amended by the addition of **#10. Provincial Insurance Committee. *Out of Order.***

**Resolution # 8 from St. Catharines**

Be it resolved that:

**Article VIII Duties and Structures of the Provincial Committees**

**Section 10 Insurance Committee be amended by the inclusion of the following duties:**

**The Provincial Insurance Committee shall:**

- (a) be chaired by the Provincial Insurance Convenor**
- (b) consist of at least one member, appointed by the Board of Directors, who will be an Assistant Provincial Insurance Convenor, in preparation for assuming the convenorship at the end of the Convenor's term.**
- (c) consult with the Agent of Record**
- (d) organize and present workshops to train local Branch Insurance Convenors, Branch Presidents and Branch Treasurers regarding the Insurance Plan. *Out of Order.***

**Resolution # 9 from Area 5**

Be it resolved that the RWTO/OERO Constitution be amended by substitution to read as follows:

**Article VIII Duties and Structure of Provincial Committees**

**Section B Appointed Committees/Convenors**

**1. Goodwill Convenor**

- (e) send flowers to members celebrating their ninety-fifth (95th) birthday *Withdrawn.***

**Resolution #10 from Area 5**

Be it resolved that the RWTO/OERO Constitution be amended by addition to read as follows:

**Article VIII Duties and Structure of Provincial Committees**

**Section B Appointed Committees/Convenors**

**1. Goodwill Convenor**

**(f) inform members who are 95 years old who are still paying dues that they now qualify as Life Members and are no longer required to pay dues. *Withdrawn.***

**Motion # AM – 09**

Moved by Regine Baker, seconded by Carol Nelson

**Resolution # 11 from Area 5**

Be it resolved that the RWTO/OERO Constitution be amended by addition to read as follows:

**Article IV Organization**

**4. Elections**

**(a) Elections of the Executive Officers**

**(viii) Recording Secretary *Carried.***

**Motion # AM – 10**

Moved by Regine Baker, seconded by Carol Nelson

**Resolution # 12 from Area 5**

Be it resolved that the RWTO/OERO Constitution be amended by the deletion of

**Article IV Organization**

**4. Elections**

**(d) Appointments to the Board of Directors**

**(ii) Recording Secretary *Carried.***

**Motion # AM – 11**

Moved by Regine Baker, seconded by Carol Nelson

**Resolution # 13 from Area 5**

Be it resolved that the practice of paying an honorarium to the Recording Secretary be discontinued. ***Carried.***

**Motion # AM – 12**

Moved by Carole Watson, seconded by Erna Fex that the Nominations Report be accepted as presented. ***Carried.***

**Motion # AM – 13**

Moved by Marilyn Emmett, seconded by Mary Lanktree that the Program Co-ordinator's Report be accepted as presented. ***Carried.***

**Motion # AM – 14**

Moved by Bev Pickard, seconded by Ruth Ferguson that the Communications Report be accepted as presented. *Carried.*

**Motion # AM - 15**

Moved by Annalee Ladoceur, seconded by Kathryn Derby that the Membership Report be accepted as presented. *Carried.*

**Motion # AM – 16**

Moved by Barbara Moorcroft, seconded by Astrida Jenkinson-Chalmers that the Archivist's Report be accepted as presented. *Carried.*

**Motion # AM – 17**

Moved by Suzanne Wilson- Marjerrison, seconded by Betty Wells that the Honorary Membership Report be accepted as presented. *Carried.*

**Motion # AM – 18**

Moved by Pat Depencier, seconded by Bev Pickard that the Issues and Concerns Report be accepted as presented. *Carried.*

**Motion # AM – 19**

Moved by Annette Rhodes, seconded by Donna Parkhill that the Goodwill Report be accepted as presented. *Carried.*

**Motion # AM – 21**

Moved by Anne Graham, seconded by Judy Anderson that the Insurance Report be accepted as presented. *Carried.*

**New Business**

**Insurance Update**

Terry Kennedy presented the cost sharing cheque to RWTO/OERO for the amount of \$27596.00. It was announced that there would be an Open Enrollment window in the fall for members and their spouses and also for members already having Insurance who wish to now include their spouses.

Correction to Past Presidents Listing in the Annual Booklet.

2000-2001 Gertrude MacCrimmon

2001-2002 Barbara Bain

2002-2003 Shirley Hoover

**Barbara Moorcroft** and the **Directors** conducted an In Memoriam Service. Candles and trees were placed in memory of those who have passed away in the past year.

Happy Birthday was sung to celebrate Helen Mutton, a Past Provincial President's birthday.

**Bev Pickard, Communications Convenor** announced the results of the Logo vote. The convention attendees chose a design by Marilyn Emmett. This design will now be taken to a graphic designer for further consultation about pins and an actual logo.

**Budget Approval**

**Motion # AM-22**

Moved by Bev Pickard, seconded by Diana McKendry that the 2010-2011 Budget be approved. *Carried. Unanimously.*

**Kathryn Derby** expressed appreciation for the expertise and support Gloria Drake provides for RWTO/OERO.

Honorary President, Sherri Stokes installed the New Officers for 2010-2011.

Mary Jane Finn made closing comments regarding her year as Provincial President.

**Motion # AM - 23**

Annette Rhodes made a motion to adjourn. *Carried.*