RWTO/OERO RESOLUTIONS 2018 **Resolutions From the Board of Directors:**

Board Resolution #1:

Judith Bennoch/H. Weiman CARRIED

See Constitution 2017, Article III -Membership and Fees, 3. Life Membership, band c. **Be it resolved that** Article III -Membership and Fees, 3. Life Membership lettering order be changed from "c to b" and "b to c. Therefore, Article 3. b would read as, "Nominees for this status must first be approved by the Branch Executive, and their names forwarded to the Provincial Office."

Rationale:

The Branch Executive approves the designation to Life Member in Article III -Membership and Fees, 3. Life Member, part a.

Changing the lettering order clarifies a difference related to Life Membership before turning 100 and upon turning 100.

Board Resolution #2

Moira-Jane Plexman/Teresa Dorey CARRIED the age of 100 shall be invited by the Provincial Goodwill Convenor to become a Life Member and shall no longer be required to pay membership fees as of September following her one hundredth birthday."

Rationale:

Once a member turns 100, she is invited by the Provincial Goodwill Convenor to become a Life Member after her 100th birthday and shall no longer pay membership fees as of the September following her 100th birthday. The designation of Life Member, after a member turns 100, does not depend on the approval of the branch but would be acknowledged by the branch.

The member decides if she will accept the Life Member designation upon her 100th birthday or continue to pay fees.

Board Resolution #3

Suzanne Lanouette-Carswell/Joyce Ratz CARRIED

See Constitution 2017, Article IX -Branch Organization.

Be it resolved that Article IX -Branch Organization be amended to read with the addition of item #9.

"The organization of a new RWTO/OERO Branch shall be assisted by the Area Director, the Provincial President and/or the Provincial Membership Convenor as the need arises when the new RWTO/OERO Branch is being formed.

Rationale:

In 2017, the branches received \$300.00 for the three R's of membership, recruitment, retention and recognition to build membership. There are many geographic areas in Ontario that do not have RWTO/OERO Branches. As our membership ages, it is important for Area Directors and branches

to be aware of the areas in Ontario that could recruit retired women teaches and establish a new RWTO/OERO Branch in that area.

There is a need to assist with the growth of membership through additional RWTO/OERO Branches in areas in Ontario that do not have a Retired Women Teachers of Ontario / Organisation des enseignantes retraitees de !'Ontario. Smaller more local branches in Ontario may assist with recruitment of new members. Goderich and Blyth Areas, Alliston, Tobermory, Walkerton, Hanover and Manitoulin Island are some of the more rural areas that do not have RWTO/OERO Branches.

Since driving distances to programs and luncheons continue to become a challenge for membership, having smaller RWTO/OERO Branches located in less populated rural geographical areas and a distance from current branches, may help increase membership.

Board Resolution# 4 J. Bennoch/ M. Kelly CARRIED

Be it resolved that Article IV Section 1. Board of Directors Organization f Standing Committees be amended by the addition of Convention Handbook Revision.