



The Scoop



Caring
and
Sharing

RWTO NEWSLETTER JUNE 2022

Editor Edna Madill

Insurance Report

Although I am only a phone call or email away, for information about the RWTO/OERO Home and Health Care Insurance Plan, go to the rwto.org website. Under the heading "Membership" you can find forms and information regarding the plan.

This past year has seen a decline in membership in the RWTO/OERO Home and Health Care Plan. As a result, the amount rebated to our Provincial organization is higher than ever before, at approximately \$111,000, due to the necessity of reducing the reserves held by Manulife. This reduction of reserves is required by law.

On a positive note, once again there is no increase in premium costs to our membership. Terry Kennedy, our Broker and Agent of Record serves us well.

Submitted by Jane Cartier, Insurance Convenor 2022

In Memoriam Service

A service will be conducted at the June meeting for the following members:

**Wendy Jackson, Beverley Sanborn, Grace Shaw,
Jill Pierce, Muriel Hotham and Ida Holmes**

Membership Report – Submitted by JoAnne Chrysler

Our total paid membership for 2021-2022 was 138 members. We also had one associate member and 12 life members. Fees are \$45 and are due by August 31, 2022. If you have any changes to your contact information, please advise JoAnne Chrysler by email at rjchrysler@xplornet.ca or by phone 519-677-8640.

If you know of any retired teachers who might be interested in joining RWTO/OERO, please advise

Edna Madill by email at emadill@nexicom.net or by phone 519-351-1576.

Congratulations to Jane Cartier on receiving the Honourary Membership Award at the RWTO/OERO Convention in June. The following is the nomination letter for Jane.

The Chatham-Kent Branch would like to nominate Jane Cartier for the Honourary Membership Award 2022. Jane brings an intelligent and thoughtful approach to her role as Parliamentarian, diplomatically guiding members to consensus.

Jane was appointed as Parliamentarian in 2017. In this role, Jane assists the President in following Parliamentary Procedure at Executive, Board and Annual Meetings. Jane is required to be fully knowledgeable not only of the organization of RWTO/OERO and the RWTO/OERO Constitution, but of Bourinot's Rules of Order, which are "procedures by which meetings can be conducted in an orderly fashion, issues debated and motions passed according to the majority but with due regard to the rights of the minority." To prepare for her role, Jane tirelessly reviewed Bourinot's with great enthusiasm, enjoying all of its intricacies, which she so skillfully applies at our meetings. Where Jane really shines is her ability to base her advice on "common sense and the need to move through an Agenda expeditiously". Jane's ability to quickly provide decisions and make recommendations on point of order, drafting of motions, amendments to the Constitution, or resolutions to the Annual General Meeting are highly valued by her Board. Our Presidents have been appreciative of the guided considerations that she has provided related to Provincial business at the Board Meetings and Annual General meeting,

Jane is very generous with her time and skillset, specifically as the key consultant for the Constitution and Resolutions Standing Committee and the Policy Standing Committee. She has been active on many Ad Hoc committees which have benefited from her collaborative approach, ability to stay focused on the mandate and complete the task using her expertise and knowledge. Jane actively contributed to the Voting and Election Procedures Handbook – a three-year commitment, Constitution and Policy Alignment – a two to three-year commitment, 2019-20 Hiring Committee, Convention 2021, Convention 2022 Virtual, Resolution #1, Study of Article IX.

We are cognizant of Jane's patient guidance in the wording of motions, and facilitating active participation in debate. We are very grateful for the way in which she managed the parliamentary procedures during the virtual AGM. She was outstanding in her ability to oversee the voting procedures.

Jane continues to be an exceptional Parliamentarian who takes great pleasure in sharing her understanding of the procedural guidelines in a most caring way!

Submitted by

Lynn Sulman, Area 3 Director

Janet Grainger, President, Chatham-Kent Branch