

Upper Grand Occasional Teachers' Local
Executive Meeting
Tuesday, June 19, 2007 at 5:05 P.M.
John Ritchie's Home, Guelph, On.

Present: Marina Howlett, Donna Henderson, Ted Pritchard, John Ritchie, Andrew Aloe, Pat Klypycz, John Parkyn, Ralph Rainford, Ruth Tomlins, Barb Walkey
Regrets: Carol Christie
Special Dinner Guests: Jackie Grey, Anne Smith

1. Call to Order and Welcome: Marina welcomed the Executive members to the final meeting of this Executive year. Donna presented John and his wife Joanne with a plant to thank them for their hospitality. Marina made a presentation to Ted Pritchard for all his guidance during his time as Vice-President and to Donna Henderson for her continuing work as Secretary.

2. Additions/ Approval of the Agenda: Add- #10 (a) ETFO Annual Meeting, August 2007, (b) Provincial Election, (c) P.D. Workshop- Ted Pritchard (d) SEMS.

'Motion 1' "Move to accept the Agenda with additions- ETFO Annual Meeting, August 2007; Provincial Election; P.D. Workshop- Ted Pritchard and SEMS.

Moved by Barb Walkey, Seconded by Andrew Aloe CARRIED

3. Approval of minutes of the May 22, 2007 meeting:

'Motion 2' "Move the minutes of the May 22, 2007 meeting be accepted."

Moved by Donna Henderson, Seconded by Barb Walkey CARRIED

4. Treasurer's Report: Balance in Chequing- \$13,233.04; in Savings- \$4374.38. Because the books close on June 30, we were advised to cash any cheques as soon as possible.

'Motion 3' "Move to accept the Treasurer's Report."

Moved by John Ritchie, Seconded by Ted Pritchard CARRIED

'Motion 4' "Move to transfer \$3000.00 from the Chequing Account to the Savings Account,"

Moved by John Ritchie, Seconded by Ted Pritchard CARRIED

'Motion 5' "Move that Upper Grand Occasional Teachers donate \$100.00 to the "Women in Crisis" Shelter in Guelph from the funds raised at the POTS Conference, June 10,11, 12."

Moved by Ted Pritchard, Seconded by Andrew Aloe CARRIED

'Motion 6' "Move that Upper Grand Occasional Teachers donate \$100.00 from the Penny Sale Fundraiser at the Upper Grand OT's Annual Meeting, Thursday, June 7, 2007 to the "Rural Women's Shelter" for East Wellington in Erin."

Moved by Andrew Aloe, Seconded by Pat Klypycz CARRIED

5. President's Report: (a) Release Days: Total: Sept. 06 – May 07 78 June 12

(b) Other Release Days (local pays): Approx. 25-28. The final tally will come in September. These are the days we are billed for.

(c) Executive Update: Andrew had each of us check the list for correct telephone numbers, addresses, emails and professional numbers for the official record.

(d) Dinner arrangements for September 11th meeting: The first meeting for the new year will be at Orchard Park and Barb Walkey will be in charge of the meal.

(e) Thank you: Marina thanked everyone for the numerous contributions of time and effort put forward over the past year for the Local OT's.

6. Upper Grand OT's Annual Meeting June 7, Wellington County Museum: The meeting was well organized and enjoyed by those in attendance. It was informative and concise. The variety of guests from different systems that affect our Local made the evening an interesting mix.

7. UGOT Sweatshirt/Tee shirts: Pat Klypycz informed us that the shirts have arrived but were returned because of poor quality workmanship in the transferring of the logo. It is hoped to have them by the August ETFO AGM.

8. E.I. workshop, 4:45 -6:00 p.m., June 21, JD Hogarth Library, Fergus: Darlene Allen from the Board Office, a rep from ETFO Provincial and an E.I. officer will supply the information. Approximately 30 people have shown interest in attending.

9. POT's Meeting, June 10, 11, and 12, Bayview Wildwinds, Orillia: Marina, Andrew, Ted and Donna shared their impressions of the gathering. It was the largest yet with 79 participants from all areas of the province. This meeting was preparation for the ETFO Annual Meeting and much time was spent either discussing the OT stand on certain proposed motions or on discussion of the merits of the various candidates running for positions on the ETFO Executive.

10. Other Business: (a) ETFO Annual Meeting, August 13-16 2007, Harbour Castle, Toronto: Marina Howlett, Donna Henderson, Ted Pritchard and Andrew Aloe will attend the entire meeting. Ralph Rainford, Ruth Tomlins, and Carol Christie will come down Wednesday for the Elections and the evening banquet. Dinner tickets are ordered for all the members attending.

(b) Provincial Election: There will be a Provincial Election October 10. Provincial ETFO has decided to target support for candidates running in particular ridings. Upper Grand has two ridings that will benefit from that support.

(c) P.D. Workshop: Ted Pritchard attended a workshop at JD Hogarth, entitled "Professional Beginnings" that talked about mentorship, starting a career, the teacher interview process and resume writing. Over 100 attended and the information was very useful for those who wish to move into full time positions.

(d) SEMS: Once again the system was down. There will be a hiring of 25 new people now and later in the year 25 more will be interviewed and hired to replace those who are leaving the list of full time OT's.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 after a social time and a delicious meal prepared by John Ritchie and his wife Joanne.

Thank you John and Joanne.

Next Executive Meeting will be Tues. September 11, 2007 at 4:45 PM at Orchard Park in Guelph . Barb Walkey will prepare the meal.