

RTO EXECUTIVE MEETING DISTRICT 31 FEBRUARY 6, 2006

ATTENDANCE: Marina Howlett
Mike Curtis
Isabel Muir
Brenda McGinnis
Anne Smith
Mary McNabb
Carol Christie
Audrey Lowe
Don Dewar
Pauline Brown
Lynn Morrison
John Ritchie
Steve O'Connell
Bob Paul
Terry Sullivan
Joan Ksenych

Absent: Geraldine Brombal

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes: Stephen O'Connell moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Brenda McGinnis

Reports:

Treasurer: Isabel said the year end statement is being worked on.

Recruitment Workshop: Mike Curtis went to a workshop in November. A new membership guide booklet is available to assist districts plan recruitment events.

Membership: We have 901 members.

Health: A health report was published in January's newsletter.

Newsletter: Tax Tips information sheet was well received.

Goodwill: Throughout 2005 committee members have made phone calls, made home visits and mailed approximately 40 cards. In December, we sent 92 Christmas cards to members on our "over 80's" list. There are now 124 names on the list. There are still 8 representatives. Anne Smith is now a representative for the Erin area. Two meetings were held during the year to discuss record keeping, strategies for making the "Goodwill" work better known, the need of some surviving spouses for guidance with health care benefits, etc.

Travel: Arrangements have been completed for a trip to the Shaw Festival on June 18th to see High Society. There will be a buffet meal at Casablanca Winery Inn with a wine tour and tasting at Kittling Ridge Winery. There will be a Sunday evening performance. Tickets are \$45.00

We would set cost at \$69.00 with RTO to cover cost of transportation- \$1586.81 Moved: Terry Sullivan Seconded: Anne Smith. Carried

Pickups will be in Arthur, Fergus and Guelph beginning at 11:00 a.m. There will be some free time in Niagara-on-the-Lake for shopping, sightseeing, etc. and an evening snack before the performance. A deposit of \$200.00 has been paid on room rental and the meal. A deposit of \$373.50 needs to be sent immediately.

Moved: Terry Sullivan Seconded: Audrey Lowe. Carried

The event will be advertised in the Spring Newsletter. The first 28 responses from Guelph and 26 from the North will be accepted. Payment is to be made at the Spring Meeting.

Website: Need to advertise website more. There is now more information available on the website.

Pension: There will be a deficit and fees will be increasing.

President's Report:

Retirement Workshop: We will be hosting a workshop but no date has been set.

Service to Others: Presentation to committee by Judy Coulman to request funding assistance to sustain Rollercoaster to Recovery Project. This is a resource book for anyone dealing with issues concerning mental health. Request: \$5000.00 for a distribution and promotion center. \$15000.00 for a re-edited version of the book. \$5000.00 to make it accessible / affordable.

\$10000.00 for an electronic version.

Discussion followed on merits of the project. Motion to forward request to Provincial - Terry Sullivan Seconded: Anne Smith

Carried

Moved to accept minutes as amended: Stephen O'Connell

Seconded: Isabel M.

Carried

RTO Constitution:

Committee to review constitution: Stephen O'Connell, Bob Paul, Anne S., Marina H.

Spring Senate-May 16th and 17th : Stephen O'Connell, Anne Smith, Terry Sullivan and Marina Howlett to attend.

Meeting Dates for 2006:

General Meeting: May 10- Wednesday 5:00 p.m. with dinner to follow at Victoria East Golf Club

Annual Meeting: October 4 -Wednesday- 10: 00 a.m.

April 3- Monday- 9:00 a.m.

September 11- Monday- 9:00 a.m. Executive lunch to follow meeting.

December 4 -Monday- 9:00 a.m.

Next meeting: April 3, 2006