Education Retirees Association Of Ottawa

Executive Minutes of Meeting: Monday April 11, 2022

Via Zoom

Item	Details / Discussion	Decision
Call to Order	10:00 AM	
Executive Members Present	Horst Dannehl, John Harding, Chris Borzecki, Jan Hynes, Shelley McDonald, Rick Chataway, Margaret Bryan, Cheryl Cavell	
Approval of Agenda	Moved by Cheryl Cavell, seconded by Shelley McDonald, to approve the agenda	Passed
Approval of Past Minutes	Moved by Horst Dannehl, seconded by Jan Hynes, to approve the minutes.	Passed
Secretary's Report	No report	
Treasurer's Report	Horst reported we have \$ 5103.86 in our current account. One reserve account has a balance of \$3232.31. The other reserve account has a balance of \$ 3063.29. Horst reports it will be simple to change the names of our accounts to reflect our new ERAO name. Chris Borzecki agreed to perform an informal audit of our accounts. A payment of \$500 was made to Stuart Fraser for the creation of our new ERAO website	
Social Committee Report	No Report	

ERAO Online Committee Report	John Harding opined that the new website is a successful improvement over our previous offering. Sixty seven have joined the private facebook group. Some members do not want to join facebook. There was discussion around the formatting of the obituary postings and the observation that Facebook lacks the flexibility to set up some postings the way we might prefer. John Harding will tell webmaster, Stuart Fraser, to post a reminder on the website that current OPERA members do <u>not</u> need to register as ERAO members. Moved by John Harding, seconded by Rick Chataway, that the Online Committee report be approved.	Passed
House Convenor's Report	No report	
Registrar's Report	Jan reported that the webmaster's (Stuart Fraser) Mail Chimp list is our membership list. Currently it has 434 members. Three people have joined recently. John raised the question of privacy and who should have access to the list. It was agreed that access should be limited to executive members, event organizers and the webmaster. Moved by Jan Hynes, seconded by Cheryl Cavell, that the report be accepted.	Passed
Business arising from minutes		

New Business	Constitution Update. Discussion centered on the need to update the OPERA constitution to reflect our new name and current operating practices.	Cheryl Cavell, Chris Borzecki, and Shelley McDonald will form a subcommittee to report to the AGM 2023
	Calendar Year vs School Year Reporting Moved by Chris Borzecki, seconded by Margaret Bryan, that ERAO adopt a <i>calendar</i> year for financial reporting, group activities, etc.	Passed
	AGM Meeting Date Change Horst said he will not be available for the zoom AGM scheduled for May 19 th at 10:00. The meeting will be rescheduled for Thursday May 26 at 10:00 AM.	
	Reaching Out to New Retirees Jan Hynes, will create a digital flyer to educational employees who will retire soon. With the help of Chris Borzecki and Cheryl Cavell this will be sent to retirees through unions, federations, and school board administrators.	
	Nomination Committee Horst Dannehl surveyed executive members to see who are willing to serve on ERAO next year. President: Chris Borzecki Past President: Horst Dannehl Treasure: Horst Dannehl Secretary: Vikki Zulpo Social Committee: Shelley McDonald Registrar: Cheryl Cavell House Convenor: Vacant ERAO online: John Harding / Rick Chataway Members at Large: Margaret Bryan	
	{On review of the minutes John Harding recommended an invitation be sent to the membership to serve on the executive board. This should be sent before the AGM May 26.}	
	Moved by Chris Borzecki, seconded by Cheryl Cavell, that the Meeting Adjourn	Passed
Next Meeting	Annual General Meeting May 26 2022 10:00AM	