

E.T.F.O. Executive Meeting – September 15 , 2010
603 Palace Street, Whitby

PRESENT: Gerard O’Neill , David Mastin, Sirkku Meldrum, Cheryl Fleury-Eekma, Bill Ferguson, Pamela Harrison, Kent Clark, Larry DeBrouwer, Willena Harrison, John Whitman

REGRETS: George Taylor

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

- The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm

2. **MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING:**

- Minutes of last exec meeting.: There were no minutes from last meeting

3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

- None. There was no last meeting.

4. **TREASURER’S REPORT:** Cheryl Fleury-Eekma

- Cheryl gave her report.

- A copy will be made available upon request.

MOTION #2

MOVED BY: Larry Debrouwer

SECONDED BY: David Mastin

THAT THE TREASURER’S REPORT BE. Accepted as read

CARRIED

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Gerard O’Neill: All relevant correspondence will be sent out electronically from now on before the executive meeting so that the executive can be informed.

Sirkku Meldrum Various correspondence was received including a thank you letter from the Denise House

6. **PRESIDENT’S REPORTS:**

PRESIDENT: Gerard O’Neill

- There is a new direction and questions and solutions for and of the Executive.

- For the budget, Stewards meetings will be away from private golf clubs. Next Stewards meeting at McKinney Arena Whitby.

- The Executive Retreat is to Port Elgin to CAW, Canadian Auto Workers facility on Oct. 20 - 22

- There is a focus finding new directions for locals

- LGBTQ, Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender/Queer,

- They are to have a direction and will be reintroduced here. There is no budget line.

- Leslie Fallaize will be heading the Status of Women and Equity Committee

- ECE, Early Childhood Educators: Durham was the first local to organize ECE’s

- The local will encourage the involvement of all members

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: David Mastin

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- Half of the Professional Development budget for this year has already been allocated..
 - We have a new Staff Officer from Provincial: Derek Hulse .

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Sirkku Meldrum

- The local wants everyone to work together. There has been discussion about ways to empower the executive.

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Collective Bargaining: Gerard O'Neill

- A committee will be formed at the time of the contract
- We are looking at creating a handbook that will be a reference guide for the collective agreement.
- There are still concerns about the long term disability plan.

Political Action: Pam Harrison

- The first PAC meeting is on Thursday September 23

Social: Kent Clark

- Nothing firmed up yet.
- Several events are currently in the planning stage.

Professional Development: Willena Harrison

- Currently forming a committee.
- Exploring the creation of a lending library of ETFO documents

Health & Safety: John Whitman

- Health and Safety issues at Kedron are still being discussed

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Status of Women: Sirkku Meldrum

- There are four new committee membes with Leslie Fallaize as chair
- The committee put 20 backpacks together. The back packs were donated to 3 organizations, Denise House, Horizon House and the Y's Wish Shelter. Staples subsidized this effort.
- The committee's donation subsidized 10 girls for The Girls Incorporated Summer Camp
- Take Back The Night Walk is tomorrow night at YWCA
- The First Status of Women and Equity Meeting will be on Monday September 27 at 4:30 at the ETFO Office.

Occasional Teachers: George Taylor

- Absent

Goodwill: Larry Debrouwer

- Notices are to be sent to Larry

Board Meeting:

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Annual Meeting: David Mastin

- Delegates to the Annual Meeting represented their members well.
- Many delegates from Durham spoke at microphones

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) Role of Committee Chairs David Mastin

- The expectation is that the Chairs will review terms of reference for each committee . They can review or change them so the executive can process and approve them.

b:) Attendance Management Gerard O'Neill

- This item continues to be under review. Minimal changes were made to it. Exit points were put in. It is good for two years. No meetings yet. We are awaiting a finalized copy from the board.

C:) Clothing proposal Bill Ferguson

- Every year schools send out coats, mittens and hats to local service groups. We should be using these to help keep some of the kids in our schools warm. The logistics need to be sorted out. Specifically cleaning , storage, and delivery. Bill is exploring this.

D:) Role of the Secretary Bill Ferguson

- The Role of The Secretary is being explored in comparison to what our fellow locals have written for the role..

E:) Executive retreat: Gerard O'Neill

October 20 - 22 Starting at one o'clock. It is at the CAW Family Education Centre. in Port Elgin

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #8

MOVED BY: David Mastin

SECONDED BY: Pam Harrison

THAT THE MEETING be adjourned.