

## **ETFO DURHAM STATUS OF WOMEN AND EQUITY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Monday, April 11, 2011 - 603 Palace Street, Whitby**

**PRESENT:** Leslie Fallaize, Pam Harrison, Bradford Tanner, Debbie Poole, David Mastin, Lisa Tsumura

**ABSENT:** Sirkku Meldrum, Joanna Bowman, Janet Robinson

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

-the meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

-minutes of the March 21st meeting read and accepted, motion moved by Bradford and seconded by Lisa

3. **BUSINESS ARISING:**

-the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Girls Inc. "Girls Day Out" was attended by Debbie, Joanna, and Maria, conference was enjoyed by all and they unanimously decided that they would like to attend again next year

-WRMC Gala on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> - tickets will be ordered asap for the evening, Bradford moved that we spend \$1000 to purchase 10 tickets to support the event, Maria seconded

-Sisters in Spirit information did not go out in the mailing, but may still be forthcoming

-"More Than A Play" PD workshop will be coming June 1 for J/I teachers in the PM, a social justice play/drama book will be given to each person attending, release time will be given by Provincial, 20 permanent teacher and 5 OT teacher spots are available

-"Starry Night" to be discussed at the next meeting

-Day of Pink flyer was mailed to the stewards

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

-DDSB Aboriginal Symposium - equity/issues/PD, will be registered on PD place Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, committee members are encouraged to attend if possible but only one person per school is paid for by the board

-May 25<sup>th</sup>, Critical Media Workshop at the ETFO office has been booked from 4:30-6:30, committee members are encouraged to attend, our committee allotted \$300 for food/refreshments

-"Take Back the Night"- usually occurs in the first few weeks in September, does the committee want to submit a proposal to Provincial to receive a \$300 grant to support this event. As discussed, we will apply for the grant.

Possible ideas for the event are organizing a bus from the ETFO office and having an awareness booth at the site to provide information regarding support groups.

-the budget was discussed, we are currently deciding what to do with the remaining money. Ideas for donations included: Hearth Place, Grandmothers for Grandmothers (part of the Stephen Lewis foundation), Sisters in Spirit, and the Herizon House. Further discussion will follow at the next meeting

5. **NEXT MEETING:**

-Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, June 13<sup>th</sup>

6. **ADJOURNMENT:**  
-meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.