

E.T.F.O. Executive Meeting – Wednesday June 15, 4:30 pm
603 Palace Street, Whitby

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

REGRETS: Larry Debrouwer,

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

- the meeting was called to order at 4:38 pm

The ETFO Human Rights Statement was read by Sirkku Meldrum

2. **MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING:**

- were presented and amended

MOTION # 1

MOVED BY: Kent Clark

SECONDED BY: Cheryl Fleury-Eekma

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 16 EXECUTIVE MEETING BE APPROVED AS AMENDED

CARRIED

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

- trying to find a solution with the board concerning the Principals gatekeeping the filing of violent incident reports
- keep encouraging members to keep filling out the reports
- 82 incidents reported to ETFO: the board does not have that number

4. **TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Cheryl Fleury-Eekma

- was presented

MOTION #2

MOVED BY: David Mastin

SECONDED BY: Willena Harrison

THAT THE TREASURER’S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED

CARRIED

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- none

6. **PRESIDENTIAL REPORTS:**

PRESIDENT:

Gerard O’Neill

- it has been a pleasure to work with the people in the office
- pension problems were discussed

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:

Dave Mastin

- binders were given out so the Executive can have the resources at their fingertips.
- Sirkku will be administering the PD fund next year
- on June 27 meeting with Rob Fairly to discuss and set up a fall planning session

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Sirkku Meldrum

- literacy classes have ended for the year
 - gifts were given out to the teachers of these classes
- both parties have indicated they are interested in having the programs continue
- More Than A Play was a success
- report cards: unnecessary changes are occurring: the admin need reminders about only one change.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Annual Meeting: David Mastin

- AGM committee met and made some decisions and AGM Meeting was successful
- jackets are about to be ordered
- we will cover the cost of dependents of the delegates
- a delegate is being released from a modified calendar school year to attend the meeting

Board Meeting: Gerard O'Neill

- attended the meeting

Collective Bargaining: Gerard O'Neill

- presented the terms of reference
- discussed the terms of reference

MOTION # 3

MOVED BY: David Mastin

SECONDED BY: Kent Clark

THAT THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE DURHAM LOCAL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COMMITTEE BE PASSED AS AMENDED CARRIED

French As A Second Language Sirkku Meldrum

- Cheryl Marek is developing a survey for FSL teachers for the website
- the Wine and Cheese Soiree was a success
- planning of future events and are hoping to get more FSL members involved
- next meeting Sept

Gay Straight Alliance of Durham David Mastin

- Heydenshore celebration was attended by 7 members
- the Gay Pride Parade was attended by 8 members
- GSA Wine and Cheese June 14 had a great turn out

Goodwill: Larry Debrouwer

- no further requests

Health & Safety John:Whitman

- last meeting June 9
- the Board has responded to concerns about parking lot safety by establishing a work group to meet in September
- workers raised concerns about violent incidents how they are reported and recorded: need to protect members
- the next Workplace Inspection Review Committee meeting is June 22

- no critical staff injuries last month

Occasional

George Taylor

- lots of LTO's working last month
- we are monitoring the external hiring of teachers
- please ask questions about anyone being hired

Political Action:

Pamela Harrison

- sending out a bulletin to members to remind them about the election platform and election survey
- we are making vote buttons
- we support many organizations financially
- attended an NDP fundraiser
- looking forward to the Labour Day Parade
- trying to get members familiar with Eastview Boys and Girls Club
- trying to get teachers involved in Simcoe Hall Settlement House

Professional Development:

Willena Harrison

- Oct 6: Mental Health workshop
- more curriculum based resources being purchased
- Rage Against The Machine: waiting to confirm a date

Social:

Kent Clark

- Wonderland was well attended
- the Greek Cooking Class was cancelled

Status of Women and Equity:

Sirkku Meldrum

- final meeting on Monday with dinner at Kelseys
- Take Back The Night walk: Thurs Sept 15
- ETFO table to be set up there with giveaways
- provincial being contacted for free resources
- \$300 funding from provincial to support this
- two resource kits purchased for the Lending Library
- WMRC gala some members attended
- Monday Sept 12 next meeting

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) meeting dates for next year
- b) strategic planning dates established cost saving measures implemented

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION #4

MOVED BY: _____ John Whitman

SECONDED BY: _____ Sirkku Meldrum

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED

CARRIED