

RTO District 41

Minutes of the Executive Meeting of Tuesday, September 2, 2008

PRESENT: Carolyn Cameron, Martha Foster, Wayne Grosvenor, Dave Giles, John Taylor, Jack Couckuyt, Marg Hulls, Carol Gagen, Mack Jackson,

REGRETS: Dennis Collins, Fran Wren, Ric Murray, Gord Park, Judy Upsdell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Dave Giles Seconded by Jack Couckuyt
CARRIED

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 11:10 a.m.

MINUTES:

Motion by Mack Jackson Seconded by John Taylor

THAT the minutes be accepted as circulated .
CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Motion by Dave Giles | Seconded by John Taylor
THAT The financial statement be accepted.
CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

The matter of rent for the use of the space at the Super Store will affect the budget. Some discussion followed re: alternative space. Carol will look into the possibility of using the Board Room at the Seniors Centre or the Meeting Room at the Jackson Funeral Home. The next Executive Meeting will be held on October 1 at the Super Store as arranged.

CORRESPONDENCE:

John Taylor presented a letter from John Fisher regarding property re-assessment and its effect on pensioners.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARCHIVES: Jack Couckuyt

Jack would like someone to take over the Chair of this committee. He will help this individual. Some discussion followed as to the mandate of this committee. The closing of the three elementary schools in St. Thomas and what information should be collected and preserved such as records of teachers, etc was also discussed.

GOODWILL: Marg Hulls

Marg reported that there are 112 members over the age of 80 years. A special note will be made of members who reach 90 years of age in the coming year. Marg announced that previous "In Memoriams" have been made to the Rotary Music Festival. With the end of this

programme, she asked for guidance for future donations.

Motion by Dave Giles Seconded by Martha Foster

THAT RTO District 41 Memorial Donations be made to the Elgin Community Nutrition Partnership.

CARRIED

HEALTH: Mack Jackson

Mack reported that World Access has change its name to Amondial Assistance but phone numbers, etc. all remain the same. As well, a member may now purchase a supplemental travel period of 5 extra days.

Mack also asked for a replacement for his position.

POLITICAL ACTION: John Taylor

With the strong possibility of a federal election pending, John asked for direction to work with neighbouring associations regarding media advertising. John was directed to pursue this matter.

PENSIONS: Dave Giles

Dave will be attending a Provincial Committee Meeting September 16, 2008

NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE: Jack Couckuyt

Jack reported that he had the September Newsletter photo-copied in colour as opposed to colour printing as it was considerably less expensive.

The Web Site is underutilized. He is able to continue to up-date the calendar of events and pictures at minimal cost due to the Rutledges' generosity and the use of out-dated software. (Front Page) However, the day is going to come when it will be necessary to up-date the software.

TRAVEL:

A new chair is required for this position. A European River Cruise is planned for June 2009 and reservations are being made with Elgin Travel.

SOCIAL & AWARDS: Carol Gagen

Nothing to report

SENATE REPORT:

The Senate will meet October 28 – 29. Senators will be Wayne Grosvenor and Martha Foster. At this time there is no Observer.

CONSTITUTION: Ric Murray

No report

TELEPHONE: Judy Upsdell

Two telephone committee members are required for the East and The Shedden area.

RECRUITMENT: Fran Wren

A Pre-retirement Workshop will be held on November 6, 2008 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in St. Thomas

MEMBERSHIP: Ric Murray

No Report

WELLNESS DAY: Wayne Grosvenor

As of today, 51 have registered with almost all receiving their first choice of workshop. 9 more registered today with others asking for registration information and forms.

PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Adjourned at __12:30 p.m._____