



Ottawa Regional Women's Committee

Thursday, April 26th, 2018

Light dinner at 5:00 pm 5:30 – 7:30 pm

233 Gilmour Ave.

Pat McGrath boardroom

Jennifer Keays, Chair

Grace Morgan, Alternate Chair

Carla Ross, Secretary

Louise Sicard, Treasurer

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MINUTES
April 2018

Attendees:

Megan Butterill

Alison Houle

Kira Turner

Linda Koenders

Anna-Marie Melanson

Christina Lamothe

Louise Sicard

Grace Morgan

Carla Ross

Jennifer Keays

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Anne-Marie Grondin

Welcome

Changes, additions, and adoption of the agenda

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Financial report – Louise presented her report

Chair discussed the two events (Fearless Women and the Girls) and unfortunately the Girls - was a disappointment – there was confusion around the registering and none of the Girls were registered to attend. (we were reimbursed)

It was decided that we were not interested in going next year, but maybe again

Discussion during the meeting:

REVP – Greg McGillis discussed the ORWC having their own bank account. It would be a Pilot, and Jenn asked what would be the factors to determine if it was successful. Yes, go ahead to create a Bank Account for the ORWC.

Christina will follow up with the OWC which is now Alterna Bank, for the cost of a non-profit account.

Louise and Carla offered suggestions for two other financial options.

Greg would like to drop in now and then, if it is ok with the group.

There was a discussion on the Fearless Women, and feedback was provided by the women that attended. They thought it was well worth the money, and thanked the ORWC for providing them the opportunity to attend. They only wished there were more events like this and that more women would be able to advantage and attend.

We discussed sponsoring women in Politics, such as the AGM. It was voted that the ORWC would provide funding up to \$300.00 to be divided among the women interested in running in an election. There would be a cap on the amount of \$100.00 if only one woman ran, and receipt would need to be provided to the ORWC.

Kira motioned and Megan 2nd. Adopted by all.

Christina suggested that we sell off the leftover food, for \$5.00 a plate. The members voted to do this. The money would go to a charity such as the Rape Crisis Center, or any other organization that we felt was benefitting women. Motioned by Christina, 2nd by Grace and adopted by all.

Louise presented the Rape Crisis Cheque,

Resolution next meeting. This will be ruled out of order, so it is removed.

Discussion to have a Banner created for ORWC – Louise will take our current one, and see if her husband can repair it, at no cost.

Megan will report back to us, she is attending an event at City Hal May 1st., 12-12:45 – Break the Chain, Violence Against Women

Linda spoke about General Resolution and the need to support it, if you are attending the PSAC as a delegate, and if you are an observer to spread the word.

We had spoken about the Resolution Women in Politics – there is a CLC course that we might be able to access and use. The Executive of both Womens committees will request a meeting with Pierre to begin the process of preparing the training.

Upcoming Events:

National Mourning Day - April 28th., Vincent Massey Park, for those not attending the PSAC convention, please attend.

May 10th 8:30-3:30 Aids Ottawa (World Vision Walk – 6KM)

May 12th Shoppers Walk

May 16th Louise spoke about Political action and will forward Jenn the information to send to ORWC – need to register

Convention – Sister Fabien is running

Website – leave the meetings under committees

Dec. 6th – we should start planning the event. Invite the Rape Crisis Centre. Is the other room beside the JK Wyle to small, or should we book Jack Purcell?

Priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none">♀ Developing women leaders (e.g., Toastmasters speech craft)
Round table <ul style="list-style-type: none">♀ Great ideas from the group♀ Invite speakers on women's issue♀ For the Human Rights event in December invite speakers from Women's Shelters to discuss the ongoing issues♀ Minutes translated and submitted to place on Website
Next meeting – Thursday, May 24th, 2018
Adjournment
Action Items

Committee updates and information posted here:
<http://psac-ncr.com/our-organization/committees/ottawa-regional-women>