CFUW/Kanata General Meeting - Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m

Location: Stonehaven Manor Apartments, 70A Stonehaven Drive,

7:00 p.m. **Global Warming: What it is and What to Do**
Many members and friends attended this presentation which was made by Gerald Oakham and Peter Black who gave a compelling evidence on how important this issue is and urged the audience to consider it when choosing their next government. They answered many questions from the audience.

7:45 p.m. Business meeting

a. A motion to approve the **agenda** was moved by Adell Hay, seconded by Loraine Drewell.
b. A motion to approve the **minutes** of the Sept GM minutes was moved by Hazel Pompey**,** seconded by Barbara Carriere.

Reports:

c. **President's Report**: Adell welcomed members and provided a report which advised members that the $6 increase in CFUW National dues (AGM 2019) is covered by the increase that our Club voted on in 2018. She also announced the Fall Gathering which will take place October 26th in Belleville. The 100th Anniversary Celebration Traveling Displays will be reported on in Business Arising.

d. **Treasurer:** The financial report will be presented in November once Suzanne MacKeen returns.

e. **Vice-President:** Joan Savoie reported that Sandy Burger is appointed to the Awards Committee.

f. **Club Recognition:** Adell presented the awards.
i) **Sage Awards** are being awarded to the longest serving members of each CFUW club across Canada. **Barbara Carriere** received this award as she was our first president.
ii) This year the **Volunteer Award** was given to **Helen Chambers**. Helen was not in attendance.
iii) **Marianne Wilkinson** was honoured as one of the 100 "**Notable Woman**" at the National AGM in Winnipeg. Marianne is a founding member of CFUW/Kanata,

was President 1997-97, and served on the Ottawa and Ontario Provincial Councils of women and was on the National Board of CFUW**.**

Business Arising:

g. i) An **All Candidates Meeting** will take place October 17 at the Kanata Recreation Complex, Hall A 100 Charlie Rogers Place, from 7-9pm. This has always been jointly sponsored by CFUW/Kanata with the Kanata Beaverbrook Community Association, and Adell strongly urged members to volunteer at this event. More information could be found at**:** https://www.kanatabeaverbrook.ca/joomla16/**.**

h. ii) **Library Displays**. Adell highlighted the displays at the back of the room that were prepared for the CFUW 100th Anniversary Celebration. She thanked Joy Forbes and Dorothy Evans for creating five displays to be put at five branches of the Ottawa Public Library. The first display is currently at the Richmond Library for the month of October. The second one will be put in the showcase of the Beaverbrook library in Kanata, October 17-26th. These will be followed by displays at the Carp Branch in November, the Hazeldean Branch in December, and the Stittsville branch in January.

iii) Our Club was asked by CFUW Ottawa to organize **The 2020 Charitable Boutique** at the National AGM to be held in Ottawa in late June 2020. Adell indicated that Betty Bertrand and Sandra St. Germain are co-chairs for this initiative. Betty outlined the purpose of the boutique and our responsibility to manage it. She explained that all clubs will be asked to donate something to sell but she reiterated the need for ideas that we could act on and sell at the boutique (such as Canada mittens) and the need for volunteers to help firm up plans to implement and man the Boutique. She has been invited to meet with the Ottawa Club on October 28 to view the space and hear about the overall plans that CFUW Ottawa is considering. Sandra and/or Joy will attend. More information will be provided.

iii) **Fundraiser Updates**: Joy reported that once we hear back from the Coffee House committee as to their date we hope to hold the **Fashion Show** in April or May 2020. Sandra advised Adell that she was looking at an early February date for **the Trivia Night**. Volunteers will be needed for these events.

New Business:

i. i) Adell announced that the club will be continuing with the **Community Outreach-Christmas Support** which includes preparing a Shoebox for women at Chrysalis House by the end of November and donating to the Food Cupboard at the Christmas Luncheon. More information will be provided on the website.

Announcements:

i) **Ontario East Fall Gathering in Belleville** – Saturday October 26th. Information is available on the CFUW Kanata website under Events.

ii) Current Issues Project**: Emergency Preparedness Workshop**, Tues Nov 12. Wende Collins and Loraine Drewell presented their plan to roll out a workshop on Emergency Preparedness in the Hazeldean Gardens auditorium 6130 Hazeldean Rd, Stittsville, ON, at 9:30 am. There is room for 150 attendees only. More information and registration is available on the CFUW Kanata website.

iii) Next Meeting on November 12th will highlight **The Modern Immigrant's Experience** as told by Irina Khetsouriani. She is a former TV journalist who immigrated to Canada from Russia.

iv) The **Christmas Luncheon** will be held Tuesday December 10th at the Kanata Golf Club from 11:30-3:00 pm. Pam Byrtus enthusiastically announced that there will be a Big Bijoux Bash Sale of jewellery and scarves and she asked for donations of these items. Contact Pam or Heather Pettipas.

v) **Bijou Bear**. Gail O'Reilly, last month's recipient, presented the bear to Joy Forbes in recognition of her many contributions to our club.

vi) **Other**: Sheila Pepper raised awareness **of Persons Day** and the Statue which commemorates the lives of five significant Canadian women who brought about recognition of women as persons. October 18 is Persons Day in Canada! As it is too late to plan for an event this year, Adell thanked Sheila for the information. More information can be found at:

https://cfc-swc.gc.ca/commemoration/whm-mhf/persons-personne-en.html

Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 pm