CFUW / Kanata General Meeting

Tuesday: April 10th 2018 7:00 P.M. – 9:20 P.M. Stonehaven Manor Apartments

70A Stonehaven Drive, Kanata

Meeting started at: 7:00 P.M

Chairperson: Betty Bertrand

Attendees: 30 Members (approx.)

**7:00 P.M. Welcome**

**Greeter**: June Gleason

**Meet and Greet**: Opportunity to purchase tickets for the AGM

Opportunity to volunteer for Enchanted Mosaic

Opportunity for new members to sign up

**7:15 P.M Resolutions (Adell Hay)**

**CFUW National**

**Resolution 1: proposed by CFUW Perth & District**

Fair and Non-discriminatory Management of Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Resolve 1:

* CFUW urges the federal government of Canada to move expeditiously to protect the world’s most vulnerable by reviewing and increasing the number of refugees accepted into the country in 2018 and onward;
  + Passed: unanimously

Resolve 2:

* CFUW urge the federal government to provide resources and infrastructure to the impacted municipal, provincial, territorial, and federal entities involved in processing refugees so as to ensure an efficient and effective refugee claims system; and
  + Passed: unanimously

Resolve 3:

* CFUW urge the federal government to immediately repeal the Canada/ US Safe Third Country Agreement.
  + Opposed (lost by 1 vote)

**Resolution 2: proposed by CFUW BC Council**

Ending Youth Homelessness

Resolve 1:

* CFUW urge the federal government to reinstate funding previously in place to combat youth homelessness specifically targeting those aging out of government care, indigenous youth, youth with mental health issues and LGBTQ youth.
  + Passed: unanimously

Resolve 2:

* CFUW urge the federal government to work in cooperation with provincial, territorial and municipal governments to develop strategies and support programs, both long and short term, to attack the root causes of youth homelessness.
  + Passed: unanimously

**Resolution 3: proposed by CFUW Nelson & District (BC)**

Education to Serve as a Vehicle for Social Justice for Vulnerable Children Living in Closed Religious Communities.

Resolve 1:

* CFUW urge federal, provincial, and territorial governments of Canada to collaborate and create consistent policies with effective oversight for education, including home schooling programs across Provincial Ministries of Education.
  + Passed unanimously

Resolve 2:

* CFUW urge provincial ministries to work together through the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to develop consistent policies and oversight to ensure children who receive an education, including those who are home schooled, or in vulnerable settings are provided gender rights, social justice, and basic education.
  + Passed: 1 abstention

**Ontario Provincial Council Resolution**

**Resolution 1:**

Housing for all through Sustainable and Mixed Urban Development in Ontario

Resolve 1:

The Ontario Council of CFUW urge the Government of Ontario and municipal governments to cooperate through laws, bylaws and policies to guarantee that plans for redevelopment and new development for housing ensure that mixed income housing, including social housing, be included in urban communities.

* + The motion was amended to substitute the word “all” in lieu of the word “urban”.
  + Amended motion: passed unanimously

Resolve 2:

* The Ontario Council of CFUW urge the Government of Ontario and municipal governments, in cooperation with First Nations, to ensure that as urban areas expand beyond current boundaries, urban growth is sustainable, protecting parks, crown land, First Nations communities, river basins and wetlands, farm land, and designated green space, such as Ontario’s Greenbelt.
  + Passed: 18 in favour, 2 opposed, 6 abstentions.

**8:15 Business Meeting**

1. **Approval of the Agenda** Move to accept agenda Adell Hay

Seconded by Beth Mlacak

1. **Approval Minutes March 13, 2018** Move to accept minutes Hazel Pompey

Seconded by Martha Klump

1. **Benevolent Fund Motion (Carol Fowler)**

**Benevolent Fund Motion**

* CFUW/Kanata establish a benevolent fund *(unrelated to the Scholarship Trust)* within the Club to be used to fund donations to causes that members had voted worthy of support.
* The cause would have to be consistent with the values of CFUW.
* Funding for the cause would be presented as a motion to members and authorized through a vote. In order to fund the benevolent fund, the Club could hold fundraisers directed specifically to this fund.
* Carol clarified many concerns the membership had with fund raising, how the money would be spent and who might benefit from such a fund.
* The membership voiced concerns over more fund raising projects, and relying on the same volunteers already doing fund raising for other CFUW projects.
* Through the discussion it was mentioned that if there was a community or individual need within the community, this need could be brought to the membership and donations could be accepted on a volunteer basis.

Carol withdrew the motion for a benevolent fund.

1. **President’s Report (Betty Bertrand)**

* Betty will attend a conference in Toronto on leadership. The keynote speaker will be Malala Yousafzai.
* Betty will attend the Ontario Council AGM in Oshawa on May 11 and 12, 2018
* Betty will attend the National AGM which will be done electronically this year. Details are still to be ironed out with regards to voting and registration.
* Reports are due into Betty (Joan) by April 20th for the annual report.
* Only a few hard copies of the annual report will be available at the AGM, the complete report will be posted on the CFUW/Kanata web site.
* Reminded the membership to get their tickets to the AGM.
* Marianne Wilkinson noted that members do not need to buy tickets to attend the AGM part of the evening. The AGM is open to all members free of charge, payment and reservations are necessary if attending the meal.
* Betty mentioned that members who want to attend only the AGM part of the evening must contact Sandi or Gail to confirm their attendance so seating is available.

1. **Treasurer’s report – Janice Ireland (Not in attendance)**

Janice was not able to attend but the latest financial report is posted on the website at the following location: <http://www.cfuwkanata.ca/Treasurers-Reports>

1. **Nominations Committee Report (Hazel Pompey)**

* Hazel was pleased to say many on the current executive are returning.
* Hazel welcomed Jennifer Rose who will be working on Membership.
* Joan Savoie will take on the Newsletter responsibility.
* Cathie Faubert will return with programming but this will be her last year.
* Hazel read the job description for Publicity. Mary will help with this position but there is a need to find a volunteer to permanently fill this vacancy.

1. **Membership Report (Janice Stonehouse)**

* Janice explained the process of renewing memberships for 2018 – 2019 which are due June 1st.
* If people renew online they do not need to fill out the paper membership form, they just need to update their profile and volunteer interests. This can be done at any time by logging onto the website, clicking on your name and follow the prompts to edit Profile.
* Payment can then be made by cash, cheque or credit card using Pay Pal no later than June 1st
* Members who have already started the renewal process online are welcome to bring a cheque post-dated to June 1 to the AGM. For those who choose not to register online, they can print off the membership form from the website and deliver payment to Janice no later than June 1
* Fees are going up to $110 for the 2018-2019 membership year in anticipation of increase in GWI fees.
* Janice will be sending more details to the members in the next week or so.
* Janice made the membership aware of a Wild Apricot mobile app now available for Apple cell phone or IPad - makes it easy to access the CFUW/Kanata web site when you are on the go.

1. **Events:**

* Coffee House April 28th (sold out)
* AGM Dinner at ALE on May 8th:

Reservations for the meal are $45 cash or cheque to

* Sandra St Germain

174 Knudson Drive, Kanata ON K2K 2C6

* Gail O’Reilly,

1 Cypress Gardens, Stittsville ON K2S 1W5

* Online payment option
* Food selections (allergies, vegetarian requirements) must be made with reservation
* Tickets must be purchased by April 29th
* Maximum 60 guests (for the meal)

1. **Other**

Anne Mulvihill passed on “Bijoux” Bear to a hardworking member, Janice Stonehouse. The club applauded our valued member.

1. **Motion to Adjourn**

Betty moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:20. Joan Savoie seconded the motion.

Submitted by Joan Savoie