**CFUW/Kanata General Meeting**

**April 11, 2017 at Stonehaven Manor Apartments 7pm**

Several members were lured to the meeting by enjoying Gabriel pizza at 6:30pm. The meeting was convened by Betty Bertrand and 20 members attended.

1. Approval of Agenda – Carol Fowler moved we adopt the agenda and Anthea McNeil seconded. All approved.
2. Minutes of March 14, 2017 General Meeting – Hazel moved to accept the minutes and Cathie Faubert seconded. All approved.
3. Resolution 1:

“The right to Safe, Clean, Accessible and Affordable Drinking Water and Sanitation on First Nations Reserves in Canada” was proposed by The University Women’s Club of Winnipeg. Carol Fowler moved that we accept the resolution and everyone agreed.

Some members wished clarification as to why the phrase *“Whereas many First Nations people consider water a sacred trust which women have a special responsibility to protect.”* needed to be part of the resolution.

1. Resolution 2:

“Universal Pharmacare” was proposed by The University Women’s Club of North York. Carol moved we accept this resolution and everyone agreed.

1. Treasurer’s Report

Janice Ireland’s report is posted in the Member’s only section of the website. <http://www.cfuwkanata.ca/Treasurers-Reports>

1. Martha Klump passed on “Bijoux” Bear to a hardworking member, Judy Tinsley. The club applauded our valued member.
2. Membership Registration

Janice Stonehouse, with Mary Daniels’ help, showed members how to go online and renew their membership for the 2017-2018 season. The $100 membership fee needs to be paid by June 1, 2017. Those members who have paid by June 1st will have first chance at interest groups. Janice asked that we edit our membership information online by May 9th before the AGM. Members can pay by PayPal or by credit card online, or can send a cheque to Janice post dated to June 1st.

How to renew your membership:

1. Go to the website: [www.cfuwkanata.ca](http://www.cfuwkanata.ca)
2. Click on “Members” – add email address, password and press login.
3. Click on “Join”
4. Click on “Register Online”
5. Click “Edit Your Member Profile”
6. Go to “Edit Profile” (gray box)
7. Make any changes (don’t click Executive Committee or Full Members). Everyone must check the “Waiver Form”, “Use of Photographs” (if you don’t want your picture taken please notify Publicity by email), and respond “Yes” to “Attendance at Interest Groups”. Also check off the areas you are willing to volunteer with.
8. Click on “Membership Details” – Go to “change” if you are making any changes.
9. Click on “Update and next” (gray box)
10. Review & confirm – on the bottom right, click on “Invoice Me” (gray box) or “Pay online” (gray box).
11. Janice has a printable help-sheet for anyone who would like one to use as a guide for online registration.
12. Newsletter – Gail Christison would like to receive information by May 5th.
13. 2017-2018 Executive Committee – Carol Fowler has almost filled all positions. We still need a convenor for the Scholarship Committee. Carol encouraged some new members to be part of the committee too. We need a second Vice President as Adell Hay is not willing to be president in two year’s time. We also need a Christmas Party Organizing Committee.
14. Notice of AGM Motions – Hazel Pompey and Wende Collins spent quite a while summarizing the copious information they have received regarding CFUW’s membership in GWI. Anthea proposed that we have two people explain the pros and cons of our club’s involvement with GWI at our AGM. CFUW/St. Thomas wants to amend the constitution by striking out Article 4 so that CFUW members would not automatically become members of GWI (formerly IFUW). One proposal put forward is that individuals or clubs who want to remain members of GWI can do so even if CFUW votes to withdraw from GWI. Several countries, including the Netherlands, USA, Germany are no longer members of GWI. They have founded other NFAs to support women internationally. Canada’s membership is 80% of the organization. There are concerns about increasing the fees to GWI next year and what would happen to existing international projects. At present, GWI and CFUW do have standing at the UN.

Janice Stonehouse proposed that the vote to remain or withdraw from GWI be a secret ballot at our AGM on May 9.

There will be a motion at the CFUW AGM that the Regional Directors now form a Standing Committee.

1. The Coffee House on April 19th at St. John’s Anglican Church is now sold out.
2. CFUW/Kanata AGM – Our AGM will be held on Tuesday, May 9th at ALE (formerly Amberwood Lounge & Eatery), 54 Springbrook Dr., in Stittsville. The cost of the evening is $45 and cheque or cash can be given to Monique Tougas. Aperitifs will be at 5pm. The guest speaker will be Sue Garvey, executive director of Cornerstone Housing for Women. There will be a donation box at the meeting.
3. Motion to Adjourn – Monique moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30pm. Adele Muldoon seconded the motion.