

District Council Meeting Minutes – September 30, 2021

District 7

OSSTF

Executive Member	Present	Executive Member	Present
President, Betty-Jo Raddin, TBU	√	District Councillor, Jessica Elphick, OPT	√
1st Vice-President, Leslie Hastie, PSSP	√	District Councillor, Dawn Perry, OPT	×
2nd Vice-President, Krista McCormick, ESP	√	District Councillor Ian Burbidge, OT	√
3rd Vice-President, Samantha Watson, OT	√	District Councillor, Gord Cale, OT	√
4th Vice-President, Kevin Smith, OPT	√	District Councillor, Anna Fijol, PSSP	√
District Treasurer, Nancy MacDonald, OT	√	District Councillor, Diane Sauro, PSSP	√
District Councillor, Sarah Traynor, ESP	√	District Councillor, Owen Ferguson, TBU	√
District Councillor, Andrea Graham, ESP	√	District Councillor, Kerrie Lynn Boys, TBU	√
Educational Services/Excellence in Education Officer, Mike Foulds, TBU	×	Political Action Officer, Andrea Graham, OPT (Non-Voting)	√
Human Rights/Status of Women Officer, Bonnie Cameron, TBU	√	Health & Safety Officer, Brian Windross, TBU (Non-Voting)	√
		Constitution Officer, Bonnie Cameron (Non Voting)	√

Location: Virtual - Zoom

Guests: Malini Leahy

In The Chair: Betty-Jo Raddin

1 **Call To Order 5:00 PM**

2 **Chair's Remarks**

- a. The Chair deemed our anti-harassment policy read.
- b. The Anti-Harassment Officers were declared. Leslie Hastie & Krista McCormick
- c. Indigenous Acknowledgement Statement was read.
- d. Future Meetings will be held as needed.
- e. District Office Covid Safety Issues will be discussed during Action Items.
- f. Brian Windross to vote in Owen Ferguson's absence.

3 **Adoption of Agenda**

The Chair declared the agenda adopted as printed.

BIRT meetings of the District Council be considered informal with respect to Rule 2.16 in the Rules of Order of the provincial OSSTF Handbook.

- i. Moved: Gord Cale
- ii. Seconded: Kerrie Lynn Boys
- iii. CARRIED

4 **Adoption of Previous Minutes**

The Chair declared the minutes of June 10, 2021, adopted as printed.

5 **Business Arising from the Previous Minutes**

Welcome to Malini Leahy, Provincial Council Liaison.
Welcome to new District Council Members: Anna Fijol, Sarah Traynor & Owen Ferguson.
District Budget was submitted to Province.
Constitution has been updated and is on the District Website.
Changes to Signing Authorities have been completed.
Donations were made to Food Banks & Women's Shelters.

6 **Report/Concerns of the Bargaining Units**

The various Presidents spoke about their Bargaining Units' concerns.

7 **Report of the Treasurer**

The Treasurer spoke to the printed budget report.

Nancy to investigate CIBC as a banking option and set up a meeting with the Finance Committee to bring information to next District Council Meeting.

BIRT D7 approves the District Treasurer to reinvest the maturing EFG GIC on Oct 22nd in the amount of \$54,100 to a 1 yr GIC @ 1.3%.

- i. Moved: Nancy MacDonald
- ii. Seconded: Leslie Hastie
- iii. CARRIED

8 **Provincial Representatives' Report**

A written and verbal report were given.

9 **Action Items**

a. In Person Meetings – Covid Safety Plan

Brian shared the Protocol for Re-entry to District Office During Covid-19 Pandemic document.
Discussion followed.

An Owl System was discussed with possible rebate from Provincial Office.

b. Women's Advocacy Group –

Members: Andrea Graham ESP
 Summer Kueneman PSSP
 Leslie Turcotte TBU

There can be one more member.

BIRT D7 approves releasing the Women's Advocacy Group Members for up to ½ day each to develop a local Plan of Action. Funds to come from Line#8300.

- i. Moved: Nancy MacDonald
- ii. Seconded: Krista McCormick
- iii. CARRIED

c. Labour Council Affiliation Dues

BIRT D7 Bluewater pay the affiliation fee of \$2,000.00 to the Grey Bruce Labour Council. Funds to come from Line 8300, Labour Council.

- i. Moved: Gord Cale
- ii. Seconded: Kevin Smith
- iii. CARRIED

d. WIFI Issues – Kevin to investigate the purchase of a TP Extender for the Boardroom.

e. Donation

BIRT District Council donate \$100.00 to Kids Help Phone. Funds to come from Line 9300 Donations.

- i. Moved: Betty-Jo Raddin
- ii. Seconded: Nancy MacDonald
- iii. CARRIED

f. Marian Drysdale Awards

BIRT District Council approves the expenditure of prizes for the District 7 winners in each of the categories of the Student Achievement Awards in honour of Marian Drysdale, with no prize to exceed \$50.00; funding to come from budget line 9100, Awards & Gifts.

- i. Moved: Krista McCormick
- ii. Seconded: Kevin Smith
- iii. CARRIED

g. Visa Card – Betty-Jo informed District Council that we allow BU's to use the Visa Card for purchases. Karen has control of the card.

h. Labour Council Liaison – Gord Cale will be the Labour Council Liaison for District Council.

i. OFL Convention – Gord Cale and Andrea Graham will attend the OFL Convention.

10. **District Officers' Reports**

- a. Provincial Council – Betty-Jo gave a verbal report
- b. Health & Safety – Brian gave a written and verbal report
- c. Education Services – Bonnie gave a verbal report
- d. Human Rights/Status of Women – Bonnie gave a verbal report
- e. Grey Bruce Labour Council – Gord gave a verbal report
- e. Political Action – Andrea gave a verbal report
- f. Constitution – Bonnie gave a verbal report

11. Office Manager Contract

MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT District Council will move into Executive Session to discuss a confidential matter.

- i. Moved: Betty-Jo Raddin
- ii. Seconded: Kevin Smith
- iii. **CARRIED**

MOTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT District Council will rise and report from Executive Session.
The Office Manager's contract was discussed.

- i. Moved: Betty-Jo Raddin
- ii. Seconded: Krista McCormick
- iii. **CARRIED**

11 **Adjournment**

The next District Council meeting is TBD.

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

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