

ERTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The 2014 ERTA Annual General Meeting was held in the St. Michael Room of the Chateau Louis Hotel & Conference Centre.

1. Call to Order

Sherry Robbins, Edmonton Retired Teachers' Association (ERTA) President, called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mary Ellen Pawluski, seconded by Ray Roy, *that the agenda be approved as distributed.* CARRIED.

3. Approval of Minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting

Moved by Sheila MacKay, seconded by Jean Kapoor, *that the minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting be adopted as printed in the June 2014 newsletter.* CARRIED.

4. First Call for Nominations

Vi Oko explained that the election of the ERTA Board of Directors would be conducted according to the nomination and election procedure outlined in *Robert's Rules of Order* and reviewed the process that would be followed.

5. President's Report

Sherry Robbins presented a report about ERTA activities. During the past year, the ERTA Board of Directors held four general meetings, published four newsletters and hosted four luncheons, which included the gala celebrating ARTA's 50th anniversary. Guest speakers or musical entertainment were the highlight of each luncheon. The Board organized two retiree brunches at the Faculty Club, two outings to the Mayfield Dinner Theatre and a bus trip to the Rose-bud Theatre. ERTA contributed to, and participated in, the second annual Second Wind Conference and is involved in the planning of a third one in October. ERTA members were also active in the provincial organization. She emphasized the need to recruit more retirees at the branch level, promote member wellness and advocate on behalf of seniors before she announced that she would not be seeking a second term as president of the branch.

6. Membership Report

Cliff Otto provided a membership update. Presently, 151 of the current membership of 374 receive their newsletters via Canada Post, while 223 of them have opted for email to expedite the process. About thirty of the 120 memberships due

to expire at the end of June, including the nineteen complimentary ones granted this year, have already been renewed. Twenty-one retired teachers have a life membership in ERTA. He stressed that the association depends upon memberships, both new and renewed, to remain viable and encouraged members to inform him of new retirees so that they, too, are able to enjoy the fellowship available to members of the association.

7. Second Call for Nominations

Since her name was on the slate, Vi Oko called upon Ernie Pawluski to present the names of the nominees for election to the ERTA Board of Directors. Vicky Paziuk nominated Eva Nolan for vice-president when Ernie called for nominations from the floor. He read the names of the nominees again before calling for nominations from the floor a second time.

8. Treasurer's Report

Mike Mort stated that he was not able to present a financial report for the 2013–2014 fiscal year because the financial statements had not been received from the bank in time. An audited financial report will be presented at the September luncheon.

9. Appointment of Auditor

An auditor was not appointed at this time. Brian Jordan will audit the books again this year.

10. Election of ERTA Board of Directors

The slate of nominees was repeated a third time. Since there were no further nominations from the floor, the following nominees were declared elected by acclamation for the 2014–2015 term:

President—Joan Harrison, Vice-President—Eva Nolan, Secretaries (2)—Carol Loewen and Vi Oko, Treasurer—Mike Mort, Member-ship Coordinator—Cliff Otto, Directors—Veronica Hellweg, Fred Laux, Sheila MacKay, Ingrid Neitsch, Daphne Price, Beth Robinson, Ray Roy, Shirley Strembitsky and Carol Williamson.

11. Appreciation of Retiring Board Members

Sherry Robbins thanked Esther Oaks for serving on the Board of Directors this year.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Addendum to the ERTA AGM

Mike Mort reported that revenue for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2014, totalled \$19,245.41 and expenditures amounted to \$20,123.67 after an adjustment of \$937.00 was made for the previous year, resulting in a deficit of \$878.26. Moved by Barry Roberts, seconded by Anne Isaac, *that the audited financial statement be accepted as received.* CARRIED.

Moved by Mike Mort, seconded by Sherry Robbins, *that Brian Jordan be appointed auditor for the year ending April 30, 2015.* CARRIED. (Fall Luncheon, September 17, 2014)