

OSOMM - AGM -February 1998 - AGENDA

This is notice of OSOMM's Annual General Meeting to take place in the Keefer Room at the Regional Municipality of Ottawa Carleton Centre (RMOC) at 111 Lisgar Street, Ottawa, on Sunday, 15 February 1998 at 1:00 pm. Your attendance would be greatly appreciated.

1. Coffee, Registration and Renewal of Membership
2. Adoption of AGM May 95 Minutes
3. Reports - Lucie Laliberté Chair
 - Chantall Fortin Financial
 - Betty Alce Internal
 - Gaila Friar External (no report)
 - Chatherine Patterson Kidd Statistics
 - Marnie Draper Fundraising (no report)
 - Liaison (vacant)
 - Marketing (vacant)

Ongoing Business

1. Charitable Status
2. Membership fees increase to \$15.00 yearly

New Business

1. Election of Board Members
Executive (nomination list)

Admin - President -	Lucie Laliberté
Financial - Treasurer -	Chantall Fortin
Internal Comm. (Sec) -	Catherine Stevens
Marketing -	Gwen Easson
Fundraising -	
External Communication -	Barbara Godsman
Statistics (VP) -	Catherine Patterson Kidd
Liason -	Betty Alce
- b. Nomination from the floor
2. New Office
3. Answering machine donated by Wendy Threthewey
4. Visibility, phone, drop-in, information, i.e. mail and web site

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5. Voting on changes to By-laws - Naming positions
6. Newsletter, articles for next Newsletter

New Chair

You are entitled to vote by proxy

I authorize _____ to vote on my behalf at the OSOMM AGM Meeting
on 15 February 1998.

Date:

Signature

OSOMM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Keefer Room, Ottawa Carleton Centre, 111 Lisgar, 15 February 1998

NOTE: This meeting was rescheduled from October 1997

ATTENDANCE LIST:

Mary Ballantyne
Barbara Godsman
Helen Sywyk
Chantall Fortin
Nancy White
Lucie Laliberte
Joan Woodland
Betty Alce

Kate Johnstone
Stella West
Jennifer Palmer
Zita Cathcart
Joyce Stothers
Noreen Galvin
Jennie Zayachkouski
Catherine Stevens for Sarah Stevens

Lucie Laliberte chaired the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Chantall Fortin moved that the minutes of the annual general meeting May 27th 1995 be adopted. Kate Johnstone seconded the motion. All members were in favor. The minutes were adopted.

DISCUSSION ARISING FROM MINUTES:

1. Best vs. Best

- OSOMM unable to intervene due to lack of funding
- position taken was favorable
- the danger now is that men are now mobilizing against this decision (termination added value method of determining the value of the pension)
- currently pension amounts are determined using the pro-rata method only. Since P.D.B.A. determines the maximum amount that can be taken out of the plan to maintain the plans viability the amounts are lower than what the Family Law Act allows
- OSOMM had two options:
 - A) we can intervene by presenting the uniqueness of our position in front of the Supreme Court
 - B) we can lobby the provincial governments which are responsible for determining the way pensions are divided under the Family Law Act

2. The Canadian Institute of Actuaries have established a task force

- OSOMM should look at establishing a subcommittee on pensions
- OSOMM should look at standardization across the country

3. Suggestions:

- the next newsletter should include an article on issues arising from LIFS
- a meeting should be held for members with concerns regarding LIFS
- people need to be cautious with LIFS due to the newness of the legislation and the lack of expertise available.

REPORT FROM LUCIE LALIBERTE:

1. Lucie reviewed OSOMM's goals for 1994 and 1995 and the issues are still the same.
 - A) Fundraising
 - B) Setting up a National Office and hiring or securing a volunteer director
 - C) Membership Drive
 - D) Document OSOMM's history
 - E) Lobby for pension issues

2. OSOMM's Results

Pension issues have been successful, however it has been at the expense of other issues. Sadly in the fall funding was cut to Resource Centers on bases. OSOMM's history has been to look after interests of current military wives. We are missing a lot of women.

3. OSOMM must return to the original vision of the "Penhold Five" from 1984. We need to widen our horizons. We Need to:

- A. identify individuals who can represent OSOMM on each base
- B. set up a strong fundraising committee
- C. establish separate pension subcommittee meetings
- D. set up a support group/system for people newly separated
- E. focus on issues to all spouses; current, retired, and ex spouses.
- F. have the executive focus on women on the bases
- G. have a further vision for example non-government membership in the U.N.

4. Court Case

The notice of change of solicitor will be sent out next month. Terry Hancock will apply for funding from the new Court Challenges Funding Programme.

REPORT FROM BETTY ALCE:

- Betty is pleased with the direction OSOMM is taking
- cost to rent meeting room is \$16.05
- a big thanks to Wendy Trethewey who raised the money to put the newsletter together
- 173 newsletters were mailed out
- a big thanks to Stella and the phone committee

CHARITABLE STATUS

It is hoped that by the October annual meeting that charitable status will be in place. This will help with fundraising.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

Jennifer Palmer moved that the annual membership fee be increased to \$15.00. Betty Alce seconded the motion. All members were in favor.

Lucie Laliberte moved that paragraphs 33 (a) to (h) of the bylaws be amended as follows:

1. that the names of the portfolios be changed to
 - (A) 33(a) Administration - President
 - (B) 33(b) Financial -Treasurer
 - (C) 33(c) Internal Communications - Secretary
 - (D) 33(d) Marketing/Advertising - remains as is

- (E) 33(e) Fundraising- remains as is
- (F) 33(f) External Communications - Public Relations Director
- (G) 33(g) Statistics - Vice President
- (H) 33 (g) Liaison - Director of Membership

2. the following duties shall be changed as follows:

- (A) 33 (c) “she shall assist with the Administration Portfolio” shall be changed to “she shall assist the President” and the duty will be given to the Vice-President (formerly the Statistics Portfolio)
- (B) 33(c) she shall be in charge of liaison with the Board Of Directors, newsletters and membership lists will be given to the Director of Membership (formerly the Liaison Portfolio.)

Chantall Fortin seconded the motion.

All members were in favor.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS:

There were no nominations from the floor. The following executive was acclaimed:

President	Lucie Laliberte
Treasurer	Chantall Fortin
Secretary	Catherine Stevens
Marketing	Gwen Easson
Fundraising	Vacant
Public Relations Director	Barbara Godsman
Vice President	Catherine Patterson Kidd
Director of Membership	Betty Alce

- the board as a group will need to be active in fundraising. A fundraising subcommittee will need to be established.

NEW OFFICE:

- OSOMM is searching for shared office space costing no more than \$150.00 monthly
- office space is essential to establish visibility, ensuring phone messages are addressed, having a mailing address and a web site.
- Lucie Laliberte donated a filing cabinet
- Wendy Trethewey donated an answering machine

OTHER BUSINESS

- it was recommended that the minutes from the executive meetings be in a binder and available at the AGM for members to read.
- it was recommended that we liaise with foreign service ex wives and have a joint meeting
- Jennifer Palmer has offered to help with establishing the website
- Joyce Stothers volunteered to work on pension committee
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Nancy White moved that the meeting adjourn at 3:25.

Chantall Fortin seconded the motion.
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Chantall Fortin seconded the motion.
All members were in favor.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

There were no nominations from the floor. The following executive was re-elected:
President: Lucie Lalonde
Treasurer: Chantall Fortin
Secretary: Catherine Stacey
Marketing: Owen Hanson
Fundraising: Vatsic
Public Relations Director: Barbara Godman
Vice President: Catherine Patterson White
Director of Membership: Barry Abo
The board as a group will need to be active in fundraising. A fundraising subcommittee will need to be established.

NEW OFFICE

OGMM is searching for leased office space costing no more than \$130.00 monthly. Office space is essential to establish visibility. Existing phone messages are addressed having a mailing address and a web site.
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Wendy Towhey donated an answering machine.

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