



**Association canadienne des enseignantes et des enseignants retraités
Canadian Association of Retired Teachers**

**Minutes
Executive Meeting**

Aug 31, 2022,
via zoom

In attendance: Martin Higgs, President
Bill Berryman, Vice-President
Martha Foster, Ontario Rep
Marilyn Bossert, Western Rep
Marg Urquhart, Eastern Rep
Gerry Tiede, Past President
Roger Régimbal, Executive Director

1. **Call to order**

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion: That the agenda be approved. Marg/Bill–Carried

3. **Conflicts of Interest**–none declared

4. **Approval of the Minutes:**

Corrected the spelling of Marg’s name and region in the list of participants

MOTION: That the minutes of the August 31 Executive Meeting be approved as amended. Martha/Marg–Carried

Bill noted that Bill 228 (protect pensions and put employees/pensioners in priority position in cases of business failure) it looks like it will be passed–has the support of three opposition parties.

5. **Correspondence**

11 thank-you letters sent–nothing received

6. **President’s Report**

Wrote thank-you letters

Sue Lantz presentation has been sent to Charles—some difficulties in posting but expect to be resolved shortly—will send link as soon as possible—note that the link will be active for two months and the presentation cannot be downloaded.

Discussion of possible Coalition—see Ontario report

Arrangements have been made for the January Executive Meeting—see 9(e)

7. **Financial**

a. **Year-end 21-22**

Current assets - \$154,453

AGM came in at \$28,800, about \$9000 more than expected

looking into investments and may move some cash into reserves

Motion: That the financial report be received. Bill/Gerry—Carried

b. **Budget 2022-23**

No change—expect to get insurance bill in September

c. **CTF Memorandum of Agreement**

Motion: That Roger be authorized to sign a Memorandum of Agreement which contains the concept of mutual recognition and mutual sharing of materials.

Bill/Marg - carried

8. **Executive Director's Report**

received 119 emails—no correspondence

sent \$2000 to QParse for the Eastern Region conference in October

will be sending a request for Membership fees at the end of September.

By-laws translated and on website

updated AGM minutes as corrected last Executive meeting

9. **Setting Directions**

a. **Priorities**

Section “f” has been added

Health & PAC Committees will have joint meeting to work on priorities

focus: Long-Term Care which can include pharmacare, public/private health care, use of federal money & influence, home/residential care

b. **AGM Resolutions—**deferred to January Executive Meeting

c. **Strategic Plan Update**—deferred to January Executive Meeting

d. **Executive Meeting in Toronto**

Scheduled for Jan 23-24 in RTOERO Board Room

Fly in on 22nd for reception (Room 747 North Tower) & dinner

Meeting will end at noon on 24th

Memo from RTOERO will be sent giving link for reduced room rate at Courtyard Marriott

Flying Porter—land at Billy Bishop and taxi to Courtyard

Flying into Pearson—take Union/Pearson shuttle to Union Station and taxi to Courtyard (Corner Young & Wood)

Note: Facility exists for hybrid meeting if Covid or weather impose difficulties

e. **Board Meeting**

Zoom meeting for Directors/Observers scheduled for 1 p.m. Eastern Time on Nov 1.

Possible agenda items include:

- Input on Strategic Plan
- AGM review—hotel vs. CTF office (include costing),
1-day vs. 1½ day business meeting,
value of half-day session (suggestions for speakers)
- Strategies Members can use in their lobbying
- How Members can undertake to further their members' knowledge of ACER-CART
- Input on Resolution M5

10. **Regional Liaison Reports**

a. **East**

Regional Meeting schedule for Oct 19 & 20 in Montréal organized by QParse
Currently working on agenda—possible topic obtaining & retaining members

b. **Ontario**

RTOERO Chair & CEO met with International Longevity Centre
push to start a coalition against ageism but potential to move onto other issues
meeting in Toronto in January—have recommended ACER-CART be involved.

c. **West**

planning for zoom meeting—discuss possible regional get-together

11. **Committee Reports**

a. **Approval of Committee Members**

Standing Committee chairs amended to place Gerry as Chair of Nominations & Elections and Bill as Chair of Legislation.

Resolved issue of one person on two committees

Need for an Eastern representative to be added to Pension Committee

b. **Legislation**

Bill review everything posted

Prepare information on two-year term suggestion for January Executive Meeting

c. **Communication**—no report at this time

d. **Health**—will be meeting Sept 26

e. **Pension & Retirement Concerns**—no report at this time

Discussion of Florida & Texas plans to exclude ESG considerations from pension investments

f. **PAC** – see 9(a) Priorities—will work with Health Committee

g. **Nominations & Elections**—no report at this time

Next Meeting.

January 22-24 (in person in Toronto)

March—tba

June—with AGM

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.