

**CFUW – OAKVILLE  
MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING: OPERATING ENGINEERS HALL  
MARCH 15, 2010**

**President's Welcoming/Opening Remarks:**

Maureen Rudzik opened the business meeting and welcomed those in attendance. Maureen spoke a few words on behalf of Teri Shaw, who is asking for the club support in her bid for Vice President, Advocacy, National CFUW.

*Motion: Lin Mackrael moved to support the nomination of Teri Shaw as Vice President of Advocacy, National CFUW. Seconded by Sue Monaghan. Carried.*

**Acceptance of the Minutes**

*Motion that the minutes from the February 22, 2010 General Business Meeting be accepted: moved by Marlene Bristol and seconded by Mim White. Carried.*

**Reports:**

Ontario Council: Maureen spoke to the Standing Committee meeting of March 13, 2010 in Toronto. Three Oakville members are leading representatives in the Council: Myra Willis, president; Kathy Palmer, secretary, and Helen Sami, treasurer. Kathy also represents Women's Issues on the standing committee. Club member Mary Saunders showed a PowerPoint presentation and explained the ramifications of a gas fired power plant.

Maureen noted she has written in the Dates and Datum publication to other clubs about this topic. She has been asked by other clubs what they could do to prevent erecting the power plant in Oakville. She advocated a letter writing campaign, which, in Maureen's opinion, can be effective. Maureen stated she has written to Dalton McGuinty as a private citizen and she encouraged club members to do the same.

Maureen and Mary Saunders will be meeting with Kevin Flynn, M.P.P., who is presenting a private members' bill in April. Mary Saunders was available for any member questions.

Interest Groups: The Gourmet Club funded the treats for the evening's social hour.

Nominations Committee: Cheryl Bailey introduced the prospective Executive Board members for next year:

President	Marlene Bristol
Vice President:	Anne Douglas
Honourary President:	Sue McArthur
Secretary:	Dee Ann Cadeau
Treasurer:	Pat Turner
Membership:	Sandy Thomson
Status of Women:	Donna Kraayeveld
Programme:	Val Irvine
Hospitality:	Angela Vassallo and Gloria Tomlinson
Publicity:	Susan Walkinshaw
Scholarship Secretary:	Mary Wood

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Cheryl noted Julie Eldridge was very willing to continue working with the Interest Groups, however, she could not remain as Chair and attend the meetings. Interest Chair is also open. Resolution Chair is currently open.

Programme: Tickets for the AGM are now on sale from Jane Heakes, Susan Walkinshaw and Irene Shlapak. Price is \$40 per person to be held at the Harbour Banquet and Conference Centre.

Resolutions: Lin Mackrael presented the four resolutions to be discussed: 1. The Funding of Aboriginal Education; 2. Mobilizing the Will to Intervene-W21; 3. Prostitution of Women and Children and 4. Protecting Canadians from Health Hazards – Exposure to Electro-Magnetic Fields from High Voltage Overhead Power Lines. She encouraged all members to stay after the guest speaker to discuss and vote on the resolutions.

**Adjournment:**

*Motion to adjourn the meeting: moved by Cheryl Bailey and seconded by Lin Mackrael. Carried.*

**Introduction of Guest Speaker:**

Susan Walkinshaw introduced Norma Gamble who spoke on an original idea of: “360 Living: Innovative Affordable Housing.”

Following the guest speaker, remaining members assembled to discuss the resolutions.

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