

OHA DISTRICT 1 PRESIDENTS' MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2018

Russell United Church, Russell, ON

1. **Call to order:** District 1 Director, Candace Dressler called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Candace Dressler, Charles and Louise Freeman, Arline Rutter, Denise Kennedy, Mary Higginson, Daryl Waite, Sandra Mitchell, Raylene Goulder, Susan Ramsay, Carol Van Die, Lois MacLeod, Phyllis Van Egmond, Vicki Foerster. Gerdie Huizinga, Margaret Camplin, Grace Stapper, Not present Ginny Blair
3. **Agenda:** Moved by Lois MacLeod, seconded Denise Kennedy. Carried
4. **Minutes :** additions to the minutes of Oct. 28, 2017, add Lois MacLeod, Phyllis Van Egmond, Carol Van Die to the Roll Call.
Minutes moved by Arline Rutter, seconded Sandra Mitchell. Carried.
5. **Business Arising:** A waiver must be signed for participation in a trip but a society membership is not necessary. Non-members must sign waiver or the Society is liable.
6. **District Report:** OHA President's Fall 2018 Message to Societies from Katharine Smyth was read by Candace. The highlight was the Strategic Planning Session.
Action Required: We are asked to talk about the proposed vision, mission and four goals.

Candace Dressler expressed interest in the position of District 1 Director. An election will take place at our next District Meeting AGM on **Saturday April 13, 2019** at the Carlsbad Golf Course organized by the Gloucester Society. There is an opening for assistant director as well.

7. **OHA Meeting:**
 - a) Candace Dressler attended the provincial directors meeting. She is on the committee for the website. If we have problems with the key account, ie. money transfer, we should contact Helen Scutt.
 - b) The Director's report included the review of the amendments to the OHA by-laws. 14 societies have CRA registration. Remember that the words Horticultural Society must be in your legal name.
 - c) The Fall OHA Board meeting highlights have been reviewed during the meeting.
8. **Treasurer's Report:** submitted by Ginny Blair-The District Report seconded by Margaret Camplin. Carried.(see attached)
9. **Society Reports:** Four Societies had e-submitted. All read their reports and submitted them. All had a full year of activities, tours and gardening. Four remaining reports will be emailed to

Ginny and Candace. Charles Freeman reiterated that if a society has difficulty submitting their 2018 Society Annual Information Report to please contact our new director.

10. **Old Business** – We may proceed with the District 1 sign in the garden in Water Street in Cornwall when and if circumstances permit.

11. **New Business:**

a) Candace Dressler reiterated the importance of the one-key registration with Nov 15 deadline.

b) STBI insurance disbursement to District 1 was \$600.84

c) How old is your society? Our Association is reviewing the initial founding year of a society as OMAFRA does not have the hard copy/paper documentation.

12. **Other Business:**

a) The biodegradable Oasis ordered was distributed.

b) The District AGM site will be the Carlsbad Springs Golf Course on April 13, 2019 with our pollinator boxes to be the feature of the silent auction. *"Sex in the Garden"* is the theme.

c) The amount of money that the District provides for a society to use for the district AGM speakers has been unchanged for many years, it was resolved that the amount offered be raised to a maximum of \$200.00.

Moved by Mary Higginson and seconded by Raylene Goulder. Carried

13. **Adjournment**- 12:07 p.m. moved by Susan Ramsay.

Financial Statements
OHA District 1
January 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018

Beginning Balance January 1, 2018	\$1,048.63
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Revenues

STBI Funds – OHA	600.84	
Total Revenues		<u>600.84</u>
		1,649.47

Expenses

2018 AGM Competition Prizes	250.00	
2018 District 1 AGM Gift	14.95	
2018 AGM Speaker	100.00	
Bank Service Charges (9 Months)	22.50	
Total Expenses		<u>387.45</u>

Ending Balance September 30, 2018	<u><u>\$1262.02</u></u>
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Bank Reconciliation - September 30, 2018

Ending Balance September 30, 2018 (Books)	\$1,262.02
Ending Balance September 30, 2018 (Bank)	<u>\$1,262.02</u>
Difference	\$0.00