



MINUTES

Present:	Barb Young	District President
	Terry Stitch	1 st Vice President
	Greg Sheeler	2 nd Vice President
	Joe Nadalin	Provincial Councillor
	Al Duffy	1 st Executive Officer
	Jessie Coccimiglio	2 nd Executive Officer
	Bill Douma	Occasional Teachers' President
	John Callaghan	Federation Officer
	Bob Shaw	Federation Officer
	Sheila Vandenberg	Provincial Executive Liaison
	Kris Lee	Health and Safety Officer
	Amy Brand	Education Services Officer
	Craig Bowie	Chair
	Carolyn Trigatti	Recording Secretary
	Joeleen MacDonald	AMSS
	Calvin DeNure	BDHS
	Mike Waldram	JMSS
	Steve Spring	LCCVI
	Chris Schliehauf	LKCS
	Blake Stevenson	NCIVS
	Steve Stephenson	TDHS
	Dave Edwards	WDSS
Regrets:	Hugh Garrett	Treasurer
	Kathleen Osborne	RDHS
	Karl Dean	Provincial Secretariat Liaison
	Dave Page	CKSS

- 1.0 Welcome and Call to Order at 4:30 p.m. by Craig Bowie, Chair.
- 2.0 Reading of the Pledge by Barb Young.
- 3.0 Appointment of Anti Harassment Officer & Reading of the OSSTF Anti-Harassment Policy

Bob Shaw appointed to this position. The Policy was deemed to have been read; it was printed on the back of the agenda.

4.0 Adoption of Agenda

9.6 - Provincial Councillor Report will be moved up to between 7.0 and 8.0.
Add 9.9 - Status of Women Report.

Chair declared the Agenda approved as amended.

5.0 Approval of Previous Minutes (September 17, 2008)

The previous Minutes were approved as printed. The minutes and reports are available at www.osstfd10.ca for perusal prior to the meeting.

6.0 Unfinished Business - none.

7.0 Correspondence

A written correspondence summary was distributed to Council. Original copies of all correspondence are available by calling the District Office or seeing the Chair following the meeting.

8.0 Provincial Councillor Report

A written report was provided.

9.0 Business

9.1 Voting Procedures

Provincial Executive and District Executive are recommending a return to the Provincial Discussion Table.

A vote will be held Monday, November 10 at all the school and the District Office. Ballots, ballot boxes, sign-in sheets, voting procedures and letters from Provincial Office were provided to each Branch President. Terry Stitch will pick up the ballot boxes at the end of the day on the 10th at the CKSS parking lot. Ballot boxes in the North should be dropped off at the District Office.

9.2 AMPA Delegates

There is a poster on the District website requesting Delegates for AMPA 2009. Please encourage your members to apply.

9.3 Labour Council Delegates

The District belongs to the Chatham Kent Labour Council and the Sarnia & District Labour Council. We are entitled to 3 and 4 Delegates respectively. If any members are interested in serving as a labour council delegate, please have them contact the District Office.

9.4 Links to Life

The Links to Life Banquet, sponsored by Sarnia & District Labour Council, Victims of Chemical Valley, Workers Health and Safety Centre, Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers Inc., will be held Wednesday, November 19 at 5:30 pm at the CEP Hall, 900 Devine Street, Sarnia. The District will purchase four tickets. Please contact the District Office if you are interested in attending. If the tickets are not used, the Office will donate the tickets.

9.5 Parliamentary Procedures Workshop

Last year some members had difficulty wording motions for AMDA. Craig Bowie and Jayson Campeau have agreed to host a Parliamentary Procedures Workshop on January 14, 2009 at 3:30 pm at the District Office prior to the Council meeting. Posters will be distributed.

9.6 Bursary for Concurrent Education Student

Moved by: Steve Stephenson
Seconded by: Calvin DeNure

BIRT District Council agree in principle to creating a District funded Bursary for Concurrent Education Students.

Motion carried.

Moved by: Steve Stephenson
Seconded by: Dave Edwards

BIRT District Council establish an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Steve Stephenson, Steve Spring and Greg Sheeler to study the issue of creating a District funded Bursary for Concurrent Education Students. The Ad Hoc Committee will report to the January Council meeting with recommendations.

Motion Carried.

If members have ideas regarding this bursary, they are asked to email any member of the Ad Hoc Committee or the District Office.

9.7 Branch President Training

Part of the Provincial Discussion Table talks involve mandatory Staffing Committees with more input from Branch Presidents. Tentative arrangements have been made for training in Staffing to be provided to Branch Presidents during the January 29th PD Day. Branch Presidents will be notified when details have been finalized.

9.8 Provincial Awards

Written details regarding various Provincial Awards were provided and are also available on the District website. Please contact the District Office as soon as possible if you would like to nominate somebody for one of these Awards.

9.9 School Reports

9.9.1 NCIVS - It was asked why there will no longer be a Children's Holiday party. Last year, a motion was passed at both Executive and Council to give donations in the North and South to the Salvation Army in lieu of Children's Parties.

9.9.2 JMSS - A question was raised regarding Program Leaders submitting attendance from a Program meeting to administration. This could be considered as an adverse report on another member.

10.0 Reports

10.1 Provincial Report

Sheila Vandenberg reported on: Teacher Pension, Negotiations, College of Teachers, School Zone DVD, *Update* - December 6th, Petro Canada boycott.

10.2 President's Report

A written report was provided.

10.3 Treasurer

A written report was provided. Branch Rebate cheques were distributed. The Branch Levy should be deducted from the November 15th paycheque.

10.4 Federation Officers

A written report was provided.

10.5 Moved by: Chris Schleihauf
Seconded by: Mike Waldram

BIRT the meeting be extended for 15 minutes.

Motion carried.

10.6 Health & Safety

A written report was provided.

10.7 Occasionals - no report.

10.8 Educational Services

A written report was provided.

10.9 Status of Women.

A written report was provided.

11.0 Other - none.

12.0 The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.