



## OCEOTA Annual General Meeting Minutes

May 24th, 2023

5:30 pm

1. Call to Order: 6:05 pm
2. ETFO Human Rights & FNMI Statement: Read by Andrusek
3. President's Welcome: Presented by Dyer as written by Dixon (Dixon absent).
4. President's Remarks: Dixon writes that it is a difficult road ahead with a large amount of blame seemingly towards OTs. There are three factors in education right now: fear, apathy, and lack of support. We need to look at the whole educational experience, especially with violence on the rise. Dyer adds further remarks: There was a positive start to the 2022-2023 year with lots of hiring and experience credit being offered but then the CUPE strike happened due to the government, violence continued to rise afterwards and there has been little response since then.
5. Approval of Agenda: moved McMaster/Bury, carried
6. Approval of Minutes from last Fall GM Oct. 12, 2022: moved Dyer/Andrusek, carried
7. Treasurer's report orally presented, not screened due to technical issues. Changes were highlighted.
8. Business Arising:
9. New Business:
  - i. Elections:

President: P. Dixon, acclaimed

1st Vice-President: J. Dyer, acclaimed

2nd Vice-President: Executive member H. Oukacine nominated by an OCEOTA member; Oukacine declines. F. Deria was nominated by H. Oukacine. F. Deria accepts and runs unopposed.

Members-at-Large: Hacene Oukacine, Jessica Ho, and Matthew Healy run and are accepted for Executive members.

ETFO AM Delegates: Jessica Ho, Fadumo Deria, Hoda Ahmed, Hacene Oukacine, Dora Yang, Rachel Andrusek.

- ii. Motion to Approve proposed numeration Amendments to the Constitution: E. Bury questions turnaround time on the formatting? Does it require approval? JD, no, it has no constitutional changes, just formatting. Carried
- iii. Budget:
  - a) Interim Budget presented. Final Budget will be voted on at Fall GM. Levy may be adjusted through the year. President Dixon will be retiring this year, and a succession budget has been included.
  - b) Motion to Approve OCEOTA 2023-24 levy be set at 0.25%: moved Dyer/Andrusek, carried
  - c) Motion to Approve OCEOTA 2023-24 Interim Budget: moved Dyer/Andrusek, carried
- iv. Update on Collective Bargaining (written by Dixon, delivered by Dyer)
  - June 5/7 bargaining dates set. OCEOTA and the OCDSB have given passes to each other as is standard procedure.
  - McMaster (member) question: What is being done about the daily rate and rates of pay at the bargaining table? Dyer responds – Central issue, some boards calculate their rates of pay differently. ETFO's budget largely comes from contract teacher dues.
  - E. Bury (member) question: What was the connection to the CUPE picket line with Political action? JD, general support.
- v. Motion to Approve Committee Reports (copies on the floor): approved (?)
- 10. Member Engagement Award: Draw winner Joan Coulter declines award as she has been a previous recipient. David Ho accepts award.
- 11. Door Prize draw winners: Jessica Crosier, Dora Yang win. David Ho declines. Jessica Ho, Jelana Duncan, Ruth Lee, Sarah Gallina, Rhonda Surette
- 12. Members's open forum:
  - Jessica Ho, there is an ETFO OT conference coming up and registration has been reopened and extended.
  - Fadumo Deria, the ETFO AM is still coming up and if anyone finds they are available we still need people.
- 13. Motion to Adjourn: moved McMaster/Lee, carried

Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 pm