**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**May 21, 2024**

Call to Order: 5:58 pm

Land Acknowledgement Statement: Linda Ford

Welcome to Members and Guests: Linda Ford

Audrey Simpson

**AGENDA**

Approval of Agenda

* + Moved by Indira Persaud
  + Seconded by Carol Kollar
  + Carried

Approval of April 16, 2024 Minutes

* + Moved by Mina Di Domenico
  + Seconded by Suzanne Roy

No business arising from Minutes

| **Chair** | **REPORT** |
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| **President’s Report**  Linda Ford | A motion to change the club's name from BPW Brampton to BPW Brampton Caledon was put forward at the May 6, 2024, Executive Meeting.  The rationale behind the motion is to reflect the geographic makeup of our club members and allow us to draw new members from a widened area. We have not included Mississauga, as BPW Ontario has told me they are trying to revive a Mississauga Chapter.  Attracting members is a key priority moving forward. It will ensure the sustainability of our club as we support our community partners and the personal growth of our members through leadership, collaboration, learning, and advocacy.  The good news is that this has been done before in Ontario, and our club continues to maintain the number of years in existence (77) without losing our heritage.  Motion to change the club’s name to BPW Brampton Caledon  Moved by Angela McKinnon; Seconded by Pat Dowling; Carried.  The June Social is being moved to the September Welcome Back Meeting. |
| **Treasurer Report**  Pat Dowling | The Treasurer’s report was emailed to members before the meeting.  Please refer to the documents for details. |
| **Special Events**  Pat Dowling | The Meat-Seafood Drive profited $438. The Canadian Progress Club has topped this amount to $1,000. The funds raised are being sent to Victim Services of Peel.  Golf Tournament: June 17, 2024, Glen Eagle Golf Course   * Funds to go to HoneyChurch, Wellspring, VSOP * Door prizes and donations are welcome. * The Early Bird door prize winner is Lisa Sellarajah * 72 golfers to date are registered.   Euchre Fall Event: November 15, 2024, Scottish Centre   * Funds to go to Ste. Louise * 35 tickets presold.   Several attempts have been made to reach out to Hope 24/7. There has been no response. |
| **Membership /**  **Secretary /**  **2025 Provincial AGM**  Barb Hore | Sent regrets. |
| **First Vice President /**  **Programs & Projects**  Angela McKinnon | A program planning meeting is at Angela’s home on July 11th. It will be a potluck event. Bring your ideas and RSVP to Angela. |
| **Second Vice President /**  **International Affairs /**  **Bursary Chair**  Amanda Graham-Rowe | KIVA Micro Loans  Nazava Water Filter micro loan has been paid in full.  A motion was made to reinvest the USD250 into the following microloans:  US$125 Gutita Retail Business (women supporting women business owners)  US$ 125 Kana Group Construction Supplies (women-owned business)  Moved by Mina Di Domenico, Seconded by Angela McKinnon. Carried. |
| **Bursary Chair**  Amanda Graham-Rowe  Angela McKinnon | The bursary process is to commence in September.  An award should be announced in November/December.  Recipient and professor to attend one of our meetings once announced. |
| **Publicity & Public Affairs / Newsletter / Dinner Convenor**  Sheila Walker | Sent regrets. |
| **Correspondence Secretary & Fellowship**  Pat Tiveron | Sent regrets. Continues to provide updates via email from Calgary. |
| **yBPW**  Rianna Ramesar | Sent regrets |
| **Resolutions/By-Laws Public Affairs /**  **Website**  Mina Di Domenico | Federal resolutions member feedback was on May 16th. Thank you to all members who provided input. Information will be sent to BPW Canada and Karin Gorgerat, our club proxy, on voting at the upcoming BPW Canada Convention in August.  The website ‘Members Area’ access will change from individual login IDs and passwords to one login ID and password, consistent with BPW Ontario and BPW Canada. This will make it easy for members to look up information online rather than searching their emails. |

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Angela McKinnon was the winner of the 50/50 draw. She donated her winnings back to the club.

Meeting adjournment: 6:23 PM EST