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District 28
Region of Durham

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING JUNE 2021

RTOERO AGM Report

By Connie White

The Annual General Meeting for RTOERO (Canada wide), was held on May 17 and May 19. Over 200 people participated in the virtual Zoom meeting and all Districts across Canada were represented.

The AGM began by going over the rules of procedure for this virtual meeting, ensuring we had a quorum, which we certainly did, approving the Agenda of the 2021 Annual Meeting, approving the Minutes of the October 2020 Annual Meeting, and discussing Business arising from the Minutes.

Both Rich Prophet, Chair of the Board, and Jim Grieve, Chief Executive Officer, gave a brief Executive summary of where we are now as an organization and what we can anticipate going forward. Despite covid-19, we were told we are financially in good shape, and the programs initiated are moving along very well. One important piece to note is that RTOERO has become very proactive in examining the quality of care in both our Retirement Homes and in particular our Long-Term Care homes throughout the Province. Partnerships have been formed with a number of other important and high-profile organizations to continue this research and to be involved with government policies regarding such matters that will impact all of us now and in the future.

We spent much time (2 days) reviewing, discussing and voting on a number of By-Law Amendments and Resolutions. Examples of what was discussed and voted upon were the following:

- Motion regarding Corporate member replacement at these meetings
- Motion regarding By-Law word change (Observer to Alternate)
- Motion regarding community grants amount
- Motion regarding project grants programs and geography (all Districts have unique situations)
- Motion regarding eligibility for the 2022 RTOERO Scholarship



- Motion regarding eligibility criteria for the 2022 RTOERO Post-Secondary Scholarship
- Motion regarding post-secondary students enrolled in a program leading to a career in teaching or education
- Motion regarding advertising from for-profit LTC corporations
- Motion regarding donations from for-profit LTC corporations
- Motion regarding the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee to study the concept of equitable representation of Districts at Meetings
- Motion regarding OTF discussing the issue of OTPP's for profit Long-Term Care facilities
- Motion regarding OTF discussing the issue of OTPP's investment portfolio in China

This should give you a flavour of the many and varied topics examined and discussed. All the resolutions and amendments to our present By-Laws will be posted on their web site. <https://rtoero.ca/about/>

Rich Prophet introduced this years' RTOERO Board of Directors. Perhaps some of you may recognize or know all or some of these Directors. I include them here for your information. They are as follows:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Chair

Rich Prophet

Vice-Chair

Bill Huzar

Board Members

Jackie Aird

Martha Foster

Louise Guerin

Martin Higgs

David Kendall

Claudia Mang

Gayle Manley

Chief Executive Officer

Jim Grieve



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Committee Chairs

Standing Committees

Audit	Jackie Aird
Benefits	Gayle Manley
Governance	David Kendall
Nomination	Rich Prophet

Advisory Committees

Community Grants & Scholarships.	Caroll Carkner
Marketing & Communications	Margaret Coleman
Member Services	Suzanne Poudrette-Gagnon
Political Advocacy	Rick Victor

Our Chairperson, Rich Prophet, and his team did a great job keeping the discussion on task and moving along. Much was accomplished and I believe RTOERO is ensuring all members in every District across Canada are being heard. Great organization to be involved in and be a Member of!

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