

CWIF proposes changes for WI

The following is a summary of the recommendations contained in the final report of the Committee on Women's Institutes of the Future.

1. That the objectives of all levels of Ontario Women's Institutes be:
 - 1) to assist and encourage women to become knowledgeable and responsible citizens
 - 2) to promote and develop good family life skills
 - 3) to help discover, stimulate and develop leadership
 - 4) to help identify and resolve needs in the community.
2. That the organization be known as "an educational organization for personal growth and community action".
3. That the slogan for the organization be: Women's Institute — Women Involved and that this slogan be used on all promotional material.
4. That the Women's Institute promote a more professional image of the organization and that a definite budget be established and allocated to public relations.
5. That the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO) hire an Executive Director.
6. That the addition of a President-Elect be made to the Provincial Board of the FWIO.
7. That the position of Federation Representative be eliminated and further that the method of electing Board Directors be changed.
8. That a Program Co-ordinator be elected at each level of the organization to replace the four standing committee conveners (Agriculture & Canadian Industries, Citizenship & World Affairs, Education & Cultural Activities, Family & Consumer Affairs).
9. That the officers at all levels be elected annually for a maximum of two years (with the option to be elected for a second two-year

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- term), the exception being the Tweedsmuir History Curator who may remain in office for not more than six consecutive years.
10. That a Resolutions Convener be retained at all levels of the organization.
11. That the general membership be informed of resolution handling procedures and further be encouraged to support sustained provincial resolutions.
12. That sustained provincial resolutions during the past few years be compiled by the Provincial Board and serve as the "policy" of the FWIO.
13. That workshops on a specific topic be held at provincial level.
14. That the handbook have a new format.
15. That a provincial convention be held in 1987 in conjunction with a celebration in observance of the 90th year of the founding of the Women's Institute organization.
16. That FWIO request the Ministry of Agriculture and Food to re-assign the sum of \$6,000. now awarded to Areas and Districts to the office of the Executive Director.
17. That the provincial finances now being accounted for by staff of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food be moved under the position of Executive Director.
18. That a summarized provincial annual financial statement be printed in *Home & Country*.
19. That an Ad Hoc Committee be established, composed of members of the FWIO and JWIO to examine the future relationship of the two organizations.
20. That the liaison role of the Rural Organizations and Services Specialist, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, at the local level be reassessed.
21. That there be an evaluation of the organization in 1990.
22. That all recommendations of the CWIF sustained by the Provincial Board be implemented immediately through the Constitution and other Committees.
23. That the report of the CWIF, upon acceptance of the Provincial Board of FWIO, be disseminated throughout the province to the general membership.