

RESTRUCTURING PLANS

The following notices of motion and their amendments were read at the March Board meeting and accepted by the August Board:

- 1a) that Area Conventions have a balanced educational format with demonstrations, speakers, workshops, entertainment and social activities
- 1b) that the business portion of the meeting include: resolutions; election of the Provincial Board Director and President-Elect nominee and the Area Convention Committee; and, the Provincial President's message
- 1c) that the Area Convention Committee consist of the Past Chair of the Committee, a Chair (from the host Subdivision or District), a Vice-Chair (from the next host in turn), a Registrar (to take the place of the Area Secretary-Treasurer) and sub-committees as needed
- 1d) that the duties of the Area Convention Committee include: preparing, distributing and following an agenda; arranging for the venue, meals and accommodation; arranging for and setting up the program; working to ensure the Convention is self-sustaining; and, arranging other Area functions as necessary
- 1e) that the Area program include: local reports; competitions; scholarships; fund raising activities; displays from the Tweedsmuir Curator, Board Directors, Erland Lee (Museum) Home, Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead, and others that meet the needs of the Area

1f) that voting delegates to the Area Convention include one from each Branch, two from each District, the Board Director in her District and all registered members

1g) that Area Convention Committee members be elected for a maximum of four years

1h) that Area Convention Committees be phased in at the 1998 Convention and the process be complete by 1999

2) that if the Nominations Committee presents a full slate of officers, the Elections Officer may ask if there are any other nominations for any of the positions listed; if there are none, she can ask for a motion to accept the Nominations Report as presented, ask for a seconder and vote

3) that the Handbook "Duties of the President" section (e) on page 57 - "be responsible for the work of the Provincial Office" - be deleted and that section (f) become section (e)

4) that the accompanying chart be considered as the new structure of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario and that the following apply:

Branches: remain the same

Districts: remain the same (geographical boundaries may change through amalgamation)

Areas: to focus on motivation, education and inspiration of members, with limited business, elections and reports. The Areas would have the same boundaries and names, but with a different purpose. Committee reports would go directly to the Provincial Committee Chairs from the Districts. Subdivisions would remain.

Province: The number of committees at Board level would be reduced and kept to a minimum. Each Board Director will be expected to serve on a committee.

OTHER MOTIONS PASSED

- that a Board Directors term of office end at the November annual meeting and a new Board Director start their term at the March meeting; this new term to begin with the Board Director elected at Area Conventions in 1998.
 - that the Notice of Motion to use Roberts Rules of Order be rescinded
 - that FWIO use Kerr & King as their Rules of Order
 - that FWIO renew their membership with The Recycling Council of Ontario
- All Committee guidelines were reviewed by the Restructuring Committee, presented to Board and accepted with minor changes.

As well, several Notices of Motion for amalgamation of Districts were read and will be finalized at Area Conventions.



UPCOMING EVENTS

1997

October 29: Registration Deadline for Open Day at Annual Meeting

November 2-4: Membership Organizers Workshop, FWIO Office

November 8: JWIO Fall Conference & Annual Meeting

November 15: Victorian Christmas Fair, Erland Lee (Museum) Home

November 18-21: Annual FWIO Board Meeting, Ramada Inn, Cornwall; Note: Open day is Nov. 20

December 7: Christmas Open House, Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead

1998

April 1-7: ACWW 22nd Triennial Conference, University of Pretoria, South Africa

April 18: JWIO Spring Rally, Ontario Agriculture Museum, Milton

July 3-5: FWIO Conference '98, Loyalist College, Belleville

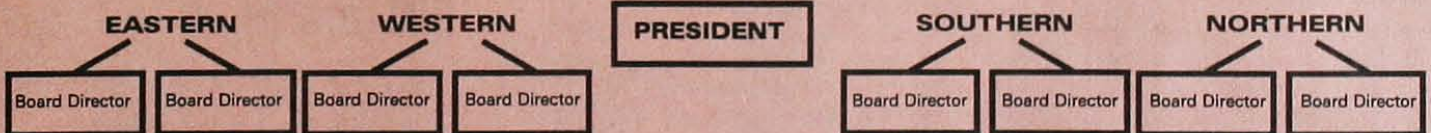
Criteria for Member at Large on Finance Committee

- a solid financial background
 - knowledge of accounting procedures
 - budget preparation and budget accountability
 - business and organizational skills an asset
- Submit resume to FWIO Provincial Office by November 1.

Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario STRUCTURE

BOARD DIRECTORS

(President plus 2 from each Region)
(President-Elect & Past President count as one from their Region)



PROVINCIAL DIRECTORS/ADVISORS

(1 from each Sub-Division)

Number to be determined when all amalgamations are completed.

COORDINATORS



Committees, Sub-Committees, Organizations