**(Draft) Minutes for the Virtual CFUW AGM, 2018**

**BUSINESS SESSION 1: 11:30 - 1:30 pm, Saturday, June 23, 2018**

**Presiding: Grace Hollett, President**

**Presiding Parliamentarian: Elizabeth Haynes**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

CFUW President Grace Hollett welcomed all members to the 2018 CFUW Annual General Meeting—the first one to be held electronically.

1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
2. CFUW President Grace Hollett recognized the land that the CFUW offices are sited on are part of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg traditional territory. Members across Canada were attending at cities that are part of the traditional territories of other Indigenous Peoples.
   1. **IN MEMORIA**

A minute of silence was observed in recognition of members who have passed on during the past year.

1. **INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM**

CFUW President announced that the platform consisted of CFUW VP Education Kathryn Wilkinson, Parliamentarian Elizabeth Haynes and CFUW Executive Director Robin Jackson serving as recording secretary.

* 1. **TRANSLATION:**
  2. **CFUW President Grace Hollett announced that translation support would be available if requested.**
  3. **TELLERS AND TIMEKEEPERS**

CFUW President Grace Hollett noted that the timekeeper were Jenna Smith tracking length of debate on a question and operators provided by Chorus Call C meeting support tracking individual speakers. Voting was conducted through the Turning Technologies Voting platform.

* 1. **WRITTEN REPORTS**
  2. The CFUW Annual Report 2017-18 was distributed and posted to the CFUW website in both English and French. Also distributed was the CFUW Charitable Trust Annual Report.
  3. **CHAIR’S COMMENTS ON RESPECTFUL DEBATE:**
  4. CFUW President Grace Hollett reviewed the protocol of debate covered in the meeting rules.

1. **VOTE TEST**
2. CFUW Member Engagement Coordinator Jenna Smith conducted a voting test to validate attendance and voting weight.
3. **REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

Kathryn Wilkinson, Chair of the Credentials Committee, presented the Report of the Credentials Committee:

Board Members 11

Regional Directors 17

Past Presidents 12

Clubs 314

Club Proxy Votes 8

Total Votes 362

A quorum is present.

Motion: that the report of the Credentials Committee be adopted.

Moved: Kathryn Wilkinson, VP Education

Seconded: not required

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| Votes Cast | 298 |
| Votes Required to adopt | 149 |
| Votes in favour | 298 |
| Votes opposed | 0 |

**CARRIED**.

1. **APPROVAL OF STANDING RULES FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Motion to amend: that the standing rules be amended to include a report that quorum exist prior to each vote

Moved by: Michelle McGinn, CFUW Hamilton

Seconded by: Dana Dobson, CFUW Kingston

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| Votes Cast | 298 |
| Votes Required to adopt | 150 |
| Votes in favour | 199 |
| Votes opposed | 99 |

**CARRIED**

Motion: that rule 9.1 be amended by inserting “excluding elections which will be by ballot”. Before “All votes will be considered roll call” moved by Karen Dunnett

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| Votes Cast | 320 |
| Votes Required to adopt | 161 |
| Votes in favour | 248 |
| Votes opposed | 72 |

**CARRIED**

Motion: It is moved that the Standing Rules as amended for the 2018 CFUW/FCFDU AGM be adopted

Moved: Sandra Thomson, VP Ontario

Seconded: not required

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| Votes Cast | 329 |
| Votes Required to adopt | 220 |
| Votes in favour | 324 |
| Votes opposed | 5 |

**CARRIED.**

1. **ADOPTION OF THE BUSINESS AGENDA**

Motion: To adopt the revised Business Agenda

Moved: Linda Sestock, UWC Montreal Lakeshore

Seconded: Jane Bermingham, CFUW Dartmouth

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| Votes Cast 320 |
| Votes Required to adopt 161 |
| Votes in favour 320 |
| Votes opposed 0 |

**CARRIED.**

1. **APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE TO VERIFY THE AGM MINUTES**

Motion: to appoint Heather Foss and Linda Russell as the committee to verify the minutes of the 2018 AGM with Teresa Habs, Chair of Resolutions to verify the Resolutions portion of the Business Meeting and Myra Willis, Chair of Articles and Bylaws to verify the minutes of the Articles and Bylaws portion.

Moved: Mary Silk, CFUW Orillia

Seconded: Amy MacLeod, CFUW Edmonton

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| Votes Cast 317 |
| Votes Required to adopt 159 |
| Votes in favour 317 |
| Votes opposed 0 |

**CARRIED**

After these minutes have been verified, they will be approved by the Board of Directors, distributed electronically to the membership and posted on the CFUW Member Resource website.

1. **NOMINATIONS**

Wilma Clapham gave her report as Nominations Chair

For the position of President, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Education, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Finance, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Membership, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Advocacy, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP International Relations, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP BC, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Prairies, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Ontario, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Quebec, there were no nominations from the floor

For the position of VP Atlantic, there were no nominations from the floor

1. **REPORT FROM VP FINANCE**

Eoin Ruane from the Frouin Group, Chartered Accountants, presented the financial statements for 2017-2018

Mr. Ruane explained the background in changing the accounting policy from a cash to accrual basis

* 1. **AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Motion: that the financial statements for the year ended April 30, 2018 be accepted

Moved by Helen Sami on behalf of the Finance Committee.

No seconder required

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| Votes Cast 332 |
| Votes Required to adopt 167 |
| Votes in favour 332 |
| Votes opposed 0 |

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS SESSION 2: 2:15 - 6:30 pm, Saturday, June 23, 2018**

**Presiding: Grace Hollett, President**

**Parliamentarian: Elizabeth Haynes**

* 1. **PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2018-2019**

Motion to amend the budget to reflect the recommended 1. 45 rate for the GWI membership expenses (line 71 and following)

Moved by: Michelle McGinn, CFUW Hamilton

Seconded by Linda Sestock, UWC Montreal Lakeshore

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| Votes Cast 313 |
| Votes Required to adopt 157 |
| Votes in favour 168 |
| Votes opposed 145 |

**CARRIED.**

Motion: that the proposed operating budget for the fiscal year 2018-2019 as adopted as amended

Moved by Helen Sami on behalf of the Finance Committee

No seconder required

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| Votes Cast 334 |
| Votes Required to adopt 168 |
| Votes in favour 305 |
| Votes opposed 29 |

**CARRIED.**

* 1. **WINNIPEG MOTION**

Motion: that CFUW per capita dues be set at $50.90 for members wishing to be CFUW members and $81.00 for members wishing to be members of both CFUW and Graduate Women International.

Moved by: Linda Asper, UWC Winnipeg

Seconded by: Shelagh Stevens, CFUW Perth & District

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| Votes Cast 332 |
| Votes Required to adopt 222 |
| Votes in favour 204 |
| Votes opposed 128 |

**MOTION LOST**

* 1. **FINANCE COMMITTEE DUES MOTION**

Motion: that the CFUW voting body approve a national dues increase of $11

Moved by Helen Sami on behalf of the Finance Committee

No seconder required.

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| Votes Cast 333 |
| Votes Required to adopt 222 |
| Votes in favour 219 |
| Votes opposed 114 |

**MOTION LOST.**

**11. REPORT OF CFUW ARTICLES AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

**Proposal One: Inserting a provision to call special board meetings:** Moved: **to delete “Regular” from the heading; to add Regular Meetings to number 65; and to insert new number 66. Special Meetings.** If amended, the bylaw would read:

Meetings

65. Regular Meetings. The Board shall meet a minimum of four (4) times per year by such method and at such time and place as the President may decide. The minutes from all Board meetings shall be made available to the Clubs.

Insert new 66.

66. Special Meetings. Two (2) or more members of the board may make a written request to the president that a meeting be called, specifying the reason for the meeting. The meeting must be held within twenty-one (21) days of receiving the request.

Moved by the Board of Directors

No seconder required

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| Votes Cast 319 |
| Votes Required to adopt 213 |
| Votes in favour 288 |
| Votes opposed 31 |

**CARRIED.**

**Proposal 2 clarifies** eligible voters and votes by insuring that all delegates and their clubs are “in good standing” when they cast votes; insuring that “in good standing” means both paid up membership and compliance with all CFUW governing documents; and extending the rules for voting to all forms of national votes taken by CFUW. The motion **is** **that the bylaw amendments for Proposal Two points a-e be adopted.**

Moved by the Board of Directors

No seconder required

**AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION**

Motion: To Separate Proposal 2 points a-e.

Moved by: Pat Patton, UWC Vancouver

Seconded by: Barb McLellan, CFUW North Vancouver

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| Votes Cast 303 |
| Votes Required to adopt 152 |
| Votes in favour 172 |
| Votes opposed 131 |

**CARRIED**

Amendment 2 a- Eligible voters means designated representatives of Clubs in good standing, members of the Board of Directors, Regional Directors and Past National Presidents in good standing. All may vote on motions brought to the voting body as allowed in the CFUW bylaws

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| Votes Cast 274 |
| Votes Required to adopt 182 |
| Votes in favour 252 |
| Votes opposed 22 |

**CARRIED**

2b. Motion *in good standing* means having paid any dues and liabilities in full and being in compliance with all current governing documents of CFUW

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| Votes Cast 327 |
| Votes Required to adopt 218 |
| Votes in favour 197 |
| Votes opposed 130 |

**FAILED**

2c. 104. In addition to Club delegates, all Regional Directors, Past National Presidents and current board members shall have one vote each. Each of these non-club delegate voters shall be allowed only one vote regardless of the number of Eligible Voter positions she holds at the time of the annual general meeting. These non-Club delegates may not vote by proxy.

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| Votes Cast 307 |
| Votes Required to adopt 205 |
| Votes in favour 290 |
| Votes opposed 17 |

**CARRIED**

2 d. 107. Individual Club members in good standing with her club may attend CFUW annual and special meetings whether or not they are eligible to vote and may participate in the discussion at the meeting.

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| Votes Cast 307 |
| Votes Required to adopt 205 |
| Votes in favour 307 |
| Votes opposed 0 |

**CARRIED**

2 e. 51 A. A regional Director must be an individual member in good standing of a CFUW club and must reside in the Region. She shall be nominated and elected by the Clubs in that Region.

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| Votes Cast 317 |
| Votes Required to adopt 212 |
| Votes in favour 317 |
| Votes opposed 0 |

**CARRIED**

**Proposal 3** makes it clear that dues are paid at the beginning of the fiscal year. The motion is **to strike in Bylaws 15 the word “in” and insert the words “at the beginning of” between “revised rate” and “the CFUW fiscal year.**

The bylaw would then read: 15. Dues shall be payable at the revised rate at the beginning of the CFUW fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the change was approved.

Moved by the Board of Directors

No seconder required

Amendment:

Motion: to strike out “at the beginning” and insert “at/or near the end”. New wording: Dues shall be payable at the revised rate at/or near the end of the CFUW following fiscal year.

Moved by: Valerie Stirling, UWC North York

Seconded by Carol Ann Robinson, CFUW Muskoka

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| Votes Cast 282 |
| Votes Required to adopt 142 |
| Votes in favour 122 |
| Votes opposed 160 |

**MOTION FAILED**

The bylaw would then read: 15. Dues shall be payable at the revised rate at the beginning of the CFUW fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the change was approved.

Moved by the Board of Directors

No seconder required

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| Votes Cast 307 |
| Votes Required to adopt 205 |
| Votes in favour 246 |
| Votes opposed 61 |

**CARRIED**

Proposal 4: the motion **is to strike bylaw 39.**

Moved by the Board of Directors

No seconder required

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| Votes Cast 285 |
| Votes Required to adopt 189 |
| Votes in favour 197 |
| Votes opposed 88 |

**CARRIED**

Motion: to extend the meeting by 45 minutes

Moved by Shelagh Stevens, CFUW Perth & District

Seconded Cheryl Hayles CFUW Oakville

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| Votes Cast 309 |
| Votes Required to adopt 206 |
| Votes in favour 234 |
| Votes opposed 75 |

**CARRIED**

**Proposal 5a 5b, 5c** clarifies the definitions a term of office and Past President as well as establishing what constitutes serving a full term when considering term limits and voter eligibility. The motion **is** **to adopt the bylaw amendments of Proposal 5 points a-c with the provisos that CFUW Past Presidents who served prior to 2018 but did not meet the minimum requirement for serving a term will continue to receive voting privileges as a CFUW Past President so long as they maintain membership “in good standing” in a CFUW Club; and that CFUW Past Presidents who are not members of a CFUW Club at the time of adoption will receive voting privileges until the end of this 2018 CFUW Annual General meeting; after the adjournment of this 2018 CFUW Annual General Meeting, Past Presidents of CFUW who do not maintain membership in a CFUW Club will not have voting privileges.**

Moved by the Board of Directors

No seconder required

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| Votes Cast 288 |
| Votes Required to adopt 192 |
| Votes in favour 256 |
| Votes opposed 32 |

**CARRIED**

1. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS**

**For the position of President:**

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| Votes Cast | 333 |
| Grace Hollett | 234 |
| Cheryl Hayles | 99 |

Grace Hollettis elected to the position of CFUW President for the 2018-2020 Biennium.

**For the position of Vice President Prairies**

Joy Hurstis acclaimed to the position of CFUW Vice President Prairies for the 2018-2020 Biennium

**For the Position of Vice President Quebec**

Debra Christiansen Stowe is acclaimed to the position of CFUW Vice President Quebec for the 2018-2020 Biennium

**For the position Of Vice President of Membership:**

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| Votes Cast | 331 |
| Madeline Kalbach | 132 |
| Lynne Kent | 199 |

Lynne Kent is elected to the position of CFUW Vice President of Membership for the 2018-2020 Biennium

**For the position of Vice President of Education**:

Kathryn Wilkinsonis acclaimed to the position of CFUW Vice President Education for the 2018-2020 Biennium

**For the position of Vice President Finance**:

*This position is not filled.*

**For the position of Vice President British Columbia:**

Barbara DuMoulinis acclaimed to the position of CFUW Vice President British Columbia for the 2018-2020 Biennium

**For the position of Vice President Ontario:**

Sandy Thomsonis acclaimed to the position of CFUW Vice President Ontario for the 2018-2020 Biennium

**For the position of Vice President Atlantic**:

*This position is not filled.*

**For the position of Vice President Advocacy:**

Cheryl Ambroseis acclaimed to the position of CFUW Vice President Advocacy for the 2018-2020 Biennium

**For the position of Vice President of International Relations:**

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| Votes Cast | 329 |
| Dr. Saode Savory | 102 |
| Carol Motuz | 227 |

Carol Motuzis elected to the position of CFUW Vice President International Relations for the 2018-2020 Biennium

1. **REPORT OF THE CFUW RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

The resolutions come from the Resolutions Committee and no seconder is required.

# RESOLUTION 1: Fair and Non-Discriminatory Management of Refugees and Asylum Seekers. (Proposed by: The Canadian Federation of University Women Perth and District)

**RESOLVED,** that the Canadian Federation of University Women urges the federal government of Canada to move expeditiously to protect the world’s most vulnerable by reviewing and increasing the number of refugees accepted into the country in 2018 and onward;

**RESOLVED,** that the Canadian Federation of University Women urges the federal government to provide the resources and infrastructure to the impacted municipal, provincial, territorial, and federal entities involved in processing refugees so as to ensure an efficient and effective refugee claims system; and

**RESOLVED,** that the Canadian Federation of University Women urges the federal government to immediately repeal the Canada/US Safe Third Country Agreement.

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| Votes Cast 301 |
| Votes Required to adopt 201 |
| Votes in favour 263 |
| Votes opposed 38 |

**CARRIED**

**This motion to amend was done prior to the vote on Resolution #1 Motion** to amend clause 3 resolution one: replace the word “suspend” with the word “repeal”

Moved by: Barb Hale, CFUW Guelph

Seconded by Cheryl Ambrose, CFUW Guelph

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| Votes Cast 295 |
| Votes Required to adopt 148 |
| Votes in favour 121 |
| Votes opposed 174 |

**MOTION FAILED**

Motion: to extend meeting

Moved by: Susan Murphy, CFUW Nanaimo

Seconded by:

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| Votes Cast 291 |
| Votes Required to adopt 194 |
| Votes in favour 185 |
| Votes opposed 106 |

**MOTION FAILED**

Motion: to end debate and call the vote

Moved by Kathryn Wilkinson, VP Education

Seconded by: Cheryl Ambrose, VP Advocacy

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| Votes Cast 292 |
| Votes Required to adopt |
| Votes in favour 292 |
| Votes opposed 2 |

**CARRIED**

Motion: to extend meeting for 10 minutes

Moved by Kathryn Wilkinson, VP Education

Seconded by: Helen Sami, CFUW Oakville

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| Votes Cast 288 |
| Votes Required to adopt 192 |
| Votes in favour 263 |
| Votes opposed 25 |

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION 2: Ending Youth Homelessness (Proposed by: CFUW BC Council, Ruth Mellor, President)**

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**RESOLVED**, That Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urges the Federal government to reinstate funding previously in place to combat youth homelessness specifically targeting those aging out of government care, indigenous youth, youth with mental health issues and LGBTQ youth.

**RESOLVED**, That CFUW urges the Federal government to work in cooperation with Provincial, Territorial, and Municipal governments to develop strategies and support programmes, both long and short term, to attack the root causes of youth homelessness.

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| Votes Cast 287 |
| Votes Required to adopt 191 |
| Votes in favour 281 |
| Votes opposed 6 |

**CARRIED**

# RESOLUTION 3: Education to serve as a vehicle for social justice for vulnerable children living in closed religious communities (Proposed by: CFUW Nelson & District)

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge federal, provincial and territorial governments of Canada to collaborate and create consistent policies with effective oversight for education, including home schooling programs across Provincial Ministries of Education.

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge provincial ministries to work together through the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to develop consistent policies and oversights to ensure that children who receive an education, including those who are home schooled, in vulnerable settings are provided gender rights, social justice, and basic education.

Motion: to take an immediate vote on the resolution

Moved by Ruth Mellor, VP BC

Seconded: Kathryn Wilkinson, VP Education

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| Votes Cast 280 |
| Votes Required to adopt 187 |
| Votes in favour 274 |
| Votes opposed 6 |

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION 3**

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| Votes Required to adopt 190 |
| Votes in favour 234 |
| Votes opposed 51 |

**CARRIED.**

1. **THANKS TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS, RDS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND MEMBERS**

13.1 CFUW President Grace Hollett thanked her 2016-18 board, RDs and Committee members**.**

1. **REMARKS BY 2018-2020 PRESIDENT**
   1. CFUW President noted that here remarks for the coming biennium would be included in a CFUW National Communication
2. **NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 
   1. There was no new business.
   2. The 2019 Annual General Meeting will be held in Winnipeg Manitoba. More information will be forwarded in CFUW National Communications.
3. **ADJOURNMENT**
4. CFUW President Grace Hollett declared the 2018 CFUW Annual General Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.