

## **DRAFT EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY**

Executive Conference Call Summary

Date Held: Monday, February 10th

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The Executive was updated on the plans for the upcoming conference. The venue has had to be changed but this change took place prior to any information being sent out which was good. The Conference is being held at the Holiday Inn Select in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The organizing committee has been able to negotiate a group room rate, which is a bit lower than the normal rates. Registration will be \$225.00. Will have one conference booklet this year. Provincial/Territorial reports will be asked for earlier this year so that they will be included in this booklet.

Membership numbers were discussed. Numbers are still very low. This issue will be put on the agenda for the Board Meeting in May. It is hoped that all the Directors and Delegates of the CFFA have current donor memberships and that they encourage foster parents in their Province/Territory to become donor members. Nova Scotia is adding CFFA memberships onto the registration. It would be great if each Province would do this when they host our Annual General Meeting and Conference.

The French version of our Public Service Announcement is now completed and is available. This information was sent to all Provinces and Territories. Work is continuing on the re-design of the website. The Policy and Procedure committee is continuing their work and the plan is to have a draft completed and ready for approval at the May Annual General Meeting. We are hopeful that there will be an opportunity through HRSDC to apply for a grant in partnership with Child Welfare League of Canada.

We continue to be represented on the 2011 IFCO planning committee. Canada will be hosting this conference in 2011 and it will be held in Victoria, British Columbia.

Our fundraising campaign did not fair too well this year. We are hopeful that the Fundraising committee will be able to find some new ideas for fundraising.