

Acting President's Executive Meeting Summary Report
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Our 3rd Vice President, Norm Brownell will arrange to have address labels made up to be placed on the CFFA brochures. They will have his address on them, as he is membership chair. Membership dues must be paid by April 1st. Norm will send out membership forms to all Provinces/Territories as a reminder. Concern over how low our donor memberships is. Need to look at ways of raising our membership base.

The Executive went over the Treasurer's Report. Our fundraising project is now finished and we are hoping to run it again next year. The funds raised will assist in the running of the organization and offset our costs

Empire Theatres – PSA - Sheila is in the process of securing funding for this project so that a company can be hired to produce the PSA. The Executive are looking into what companies we could approach.

Ottawa Meetings – Sheila attended several meetings while in Ottawa for the Child Welfare League of Canada (CWLC) Advisory Committee meeting. Had opportunity to meet with Human Resources & Social Development Canada (HRSDC). These are the people that offer federal grants to organizations through submission of proposals. We are hopeful that now that they have a better understanding of who we are and what we do, an opportunity may arise to submit a proposal in the future. I also met with the Executive Director of the Ottawa Children's Aide Society, to better increase their understanding of the CFFA, Various other meetings were held throughout the day and I gained a great deal of knowledge from those working at the Child Welfare League of Canada.

The CWLC Advisory Committee meeting was very successful. This is an 18-month project with only the one face-to-face meeting of the committee. All other work over the months will be done via email and conference calls. This is a very exciting and important project for the CFFA to be involved with and sharing their experience with the group.

Webpage – we are striving to keep this updated. There is now a section on the homepage for “Announcements”. We are hopeful that this will make it easier for those visiting to get information. The 2008 Conference information is now up on our site. Further detailed info. Re: meetings and the CFFA part of the conference will be emailed out in the near future.

2008 Symposium

Agenda being worked on by Sheila and will be sent out to all members soon along with more details regarding hotel information.
Everyone is welcome to attend all meetings (and it is hoped they will). For the Board Meeting only the Delegated Directors and Executive can speak, however info. Needing to be shared can go through the Delegated Director.

