



**ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
District 2 Annual General Meeting Minutes
April 5, 2014**

"Garden Growing Forward"

Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church, 160 Wayside Drive,
Host: Perth & District Horticultural Society

- 1. Call to Order:** 1:00 p.m. Kathryn Lindsay called the meeting to order and welcomed horticultural members and OHA guests.

Suzanne Hanna, OHA 2nd Vice President brought greetings from the OHA President and Board of Directors.

- 2. In Memoriam** – Jeff Blackadar, Past District Director presented the tribute to those who had passed on within the last year.

Beachburg – Alvin Anderson, Adam Vandervelde

Gloucester – Mary Bailey, Peter Jennings

Kemptville – Michael King

Manotick – Mary Harris

Nepean – Carol Scott, Johanna Thomas

Ottawa – Van Chislett, Fred Favel

Pakenham – Guy Flewelling

Pembroke – Violet Craig, Ivy Levoy

Perth & District – Amy Pokorney

- 3. Roll Call of Societies** - There were a total of 217 registrants.

Suzanne Hanna distributed to all societies "Heirloom swiss chard seed" to plant and give feedback (photo/stories) to James Graham

Almonte	8	Beachburg	12	Carleton Place	5	Deep River	2
Eganville & Area	6	Gloucester	20	GOWGHS	3	Kanata-March	11
Kemptville	17	Madawaska Valley	2	Manotick	24	Nepean	11
Ottawa	17	OVRGHS	6	Pakenham	4	Pembroke	7
Perth & District	35	Petawawa	6	Smiths Falls	6	Stittsville Goulbourn	6
West Carleton	9						

District Director: Kathryn Lindsay; Past District Director: Jeff Blackadar; Assistant District Directors: Linda Bartlett; Candace Dressler; Guest: Suzanne Hanna, OHA; Secretary: Jocelyne Laframboise; Treasurer: Karen Haddon

4. **Approval of Previous AGM Minutes:** Motion - Moved by Angela Davis seconded by David Archer that the minutes of the April 6, 2013 District 2 AGM be accepted as recorded. Carried
5. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer, Karen Haddon presented highlights from the 2013-14 Financial Report and Interim Budget Report.

Bank Balances as of December 31, 2013:

1. Investments	\$ 8,108.70
2. Bank Account / Cash on Hand	<u>4,397.32</u>
	\$12,406.02

Income & Expenses Account:

Total Income 2013	\$ 5,744.88
Total Expense 2013	<u>4,132.03</u>
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 1,612.85

Bookkeeping Notes for 2013:

- Accounts reflect January 1 through December 31, 2013 to coincide with OHA's financial year end;
- QuickBooks was replaced by the Quicken Accounting package
- Cash investment and one GIC which matured October 2013 was cashed out and deposited into the new TD Canada Trust accounting
- Scotiabank account was closed and all monies deposited in to the new account at TD Canada Trust
- NOTE: Reason for changing accounts and banks was that with Scotiabank the account was considered personal. We were encouraged to make a change to a business account. TD Canada Trust offered the Community Account, which was a better fit for our organization.
- The Judging School amount of \$659.61 is included in the total amount of the TD Canada Trust Account

Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Ed Shanar and seconded by Gay McQuarrie. Carried

Motion Moved by Sheila King seconded by Don McMorris to ratify the appointment of Anne Anderson & Margot Belanger as our 2014 Financial Reviewers. Carried

6. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:** None
7. **New Business**
 - Lost & Found items from 2013 AGM will be included in the silent auction if not claimed
 - Redistribution of D1/D2 Boundaries; Jeff Blackadar reviewed the highlights of the proposed boundary revision between D1 & D2. Q&A was addressed.

Motion The District 2 support a westward change in boundary with District 1 so that Gloucester Horticultural Society and Kemptville Horticultural Society would be in District 1. This is subject to ratification by Gloucester & Kemptville Horticultural Societies

Moved by Jeff Blackadar and seconded by Jamie Robertson
Eligible vote 58 In Favour 29 Opposed 8 Carried

8. **Correspondence and Announcements:** None
9. **Announcements:** Kathryn Lindsay presented 90th Anniversary Certificate to the Pembroke Horticultural Society

10. **District 2 Service Award:** To Debby Lytle presented by Kathryn Lindsay
11. **District 2 Achievement Awards;** presented by Kathryn Lindsay to Societies for;
- Attaining the highest percentage of new members in 2013 at 32%
Kemptville Horticultural Society & Kanata-March Horticultural Society
 - Recruiting the highest number of new members in 2013 at 85
Deep River Horticulture Society
 - Contributing the highest number of volunteer hours per member in 2013 at 48.2
Stittsville-Goulbourn Horticultural Society
12. **District Director's Remarks:** see report
13. **D2 Trophy;** presented by Kathryn Lyndsay to the Ottawa Valley Rock Garden & Horticultural Society for highest % increase in adult membership between 2012 and 2013 at 34%.
14. **Election of Officers:** Jeff Blackadar conducted the election, all nominations had been duly nominated, with the following results;
District Director: **Kathryn Lindsay** ~ acclaimed
Assistant. District Director: Rideau Basin – **Candace Dressler** ~ acclaimed
Assistant. District Director: Ottawa Basin – **Joanne Jackson**
Assistant. District Director: Mississippi Basin – **Linda Bartlett** ~ acclaimed
Assistant. District Director: At Large: **Vacant**
- Appointed:**
Secretary: Jocelyne Laframboise
Treasurer: Karen Haddon
- The new Board was installed by Suzanne Hanna 2nd Vice President of OHA
15. **2014 Convention Update:** Jeff encouraged everyone to attend the OHA Annual convention in Cornwall July 19 – 21
16. **Invitation to 2015 District 2 AGM** – Pembroke and Petawawa Horticultural Societies
17. Thanks were given to our host for the day Perth & District Horticultural Society, for their wonderful organization of the day's program, events, vendor's marketplace and guest speakers.
18. **Adjournment:**
Motion - There being no further business, moved by Linda Bartlett and seconded by Arleen Rutter that we adjourn at 2:30 pm. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Jocelyne Laframboise
Recording Secretary, District 2

Kathryn Lindsay
Director, District 2