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DISTRICT ONTARIO, CANADA

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Toronto, Ontario, January 26, 2012

## In attendance were:

Jamie McGregor Angelo Tobia Bill Lawrence Mark Murphy James Rowe Vera Morton Kevin Somerville – guest

Regrets: Chris Williams

President Jamie McGregor called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Introductions followed, as this was the first meeting for Vera, Kevin and Mark.

Jamie thanked the members of the executive committee for their work over the course of the past year. Jamie noted some of the struggles that the committee experienced over the past year, which included the dissolving of the social committee and turnover of key members of the technical committee.

The outlook for the association remains positive however as membership continues to grow and both the executive and technical committee have received some fresh faces.

Other key points from the meeting:

- Bill Lawrence noted that current membership sits at 227.
- The district may want to consider buying a teleconference line to facilitate executive and technical committee meetings.
- Kevin noted that Niagara College would be interested in hosting future meetings or conferences since they have both an event space and catering services to offer.
- The demographic of the membership is changing as Molson and Labatt are pulling back and Ontario craft breweries and Niagara College students are coming on board. Both the executive committee and technical committee must keep this in mind as they work to provide the membership with relevant and educational information.

Bill thanked Jamie for his hard work over the past year and the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.