

CTA Ontario Meeting  
Sunday, January 30, 2011  
10:30 a.m. - 12 noon  
Hothouse Cafe, Toronto, Ontario

Attendance: Rob Kolatschek, Mae Herrera, Debbie Lanktree, Richard Lanktree, Diane MacKenzie, Dennis Segatto, Niva Segatto, Melody Klassen, Heather Fisher, Linda Rowe, Earl Earl, Janos Nagy, Donna Fleming, Heather Talbot, Terry Talbot, Rowland Baxendale, Kate Baxendale, Amy Baxendale, Jen Baxendale, Michelle French, Sandra Holdsworth, Jim Lindsay, Arlene Lindsay, Kimberly Staulbaum, Carol Dubeau, Marc Quinet, Nicole Poos, Susan Pozner, Margaret Pozner, Chris Mani, Luisa Lampitoc, Lorenzo Gariano, Nancy Ianuzzi, James Gariano, Jennifer Irwin

1) The meeting was preceded by a brunch for attendees to connect and socialize

2) Review of Past Events

a. 2010 Canadian Transplant Games - Quebec City, August 2010 (Rob Kolatschek)

- ✚ successful and fun event
- ✚ Ontario had the largest delegation of athletes and supporters
- ✚ Location and dates of next Cdn Games have yet to be announced by CTA National

b. Team Transplant Dragonboat (Donna Fleming)

- ✚ The team has been going on for 14 years and continuing
- ✚ always recruiting transplant recipients to join in the boat
- ✚ members comprised of recipients, those on the waitlist, donor family members, healthcare workers, family of recipients
- ✚ goal of organ donation awareness
- ✚ membership includes practices, 2-3 dragonboat festivals, social/BBQs
- ✚ if interested, please contact Donna Fleming
- ✚ mention of fundraiser (\$15 for short sleeve shirts, \$20 for long sleeve shirts, magnets)

3) Financial Position (Rob Kolatschek)

- ✚ Carol Poirier, Treasurer, was not able to attend
- ✚ Balance has typically been in the \$10,000-\$15,000 range. An additional \$50,000 received the balance remaining from the 2008 Canadian Transplant Games held in Windsor
- ✚ Will have discussion of plans for funds
- ✚ Current balance of \$65,000

4) Legacy - CTA National Games, Windsor (Niva Segatto)

- ✚ The 2008 Games were a great success and due to the fundraising done for the Games the organizers were able to repay CTA National their contribution and still had left over funds that were split \$26,000 for CTA National and \$52,000 for CTA Ontario.

- ✚ Niva proposed that CTA provide for a legacy for the City of Windsor for its contributions to the 2008 Canadian Transplant Games that were held in the City
- ✚ Discussion of commemorative plaque or monument and help continue to promote
- ✚ organ and tissue donation in Windsor
- ✚ Suggestion of placing this in Sculpture Garden at Riverside Park
- ✚ Mention on flat screen TV with plaque that can have health promotion in one of their hospitals
- ✚ Mention that Windsor has no transplant centres, only donation hospitals
- ✚ Discussion suggesting public awareness needs to be directed to medical staff/healthcare facilities (to increase referrals and therefore donations). Trillium Gift of Life Network (TGLN) staff, Nicole Poos, shared TGLN's education strategy to hospitals
- ✚ Further discussion of increasing awareness within community, writing to MPPs, local councillors
- ✚ Niva will consider all of the suggestions and put forth a proposal to the CTA Ontario executive

#### 5) TGLN Update (Nicole Poos, TGLN Volunteer Services Advisor)

- ✚ TGLN will hold volunteer sessions in February and perhaps March
- ✚ TGLN is looking for volunteers for university and college events - Recycleme.org
- ✚ NOTDAW is being held April 17-24, theme will be "Life for 1500"
- ✚ Nicole will email above info to Rob for distribution to CTA Ontario members

#### 6) Upcoming Events

- a. World Transplant Games, Sweden, June 17-24, 2011 (Heather Fisher)
  - online registration opened mid-January at [www.wtg2011.com](http://www.wtg2011.com)
  - registration fees oaf approximately \$1,000 CDN, but must be paid in Swedish Kronos via money order)
  - rountrip airfare to cost \$900-1200
  - paper registration available to those who do not have Internet access - Neil Folkins can send via Canada Post
  - first registration deadline March 1, 2011...this means going on line to register [www.wtg2011.com](http://www.wtg2011.com) and payment sent in (Swiss krona) no later then by Feb.22 so that it can be sent to Sweden. Please send to the attention of Heather Fisher, 267 Regent St, London Ontario N6A 2H1
  - CTA members have ability to get subsidy from CTA National for costs of games through volunteer activity
  - for those interested in volunteering, there is a Speakers Shell form (speech/presentation).
  - 2013 World Games will be in South Africa
- b. CTA newsletter update (Rob Kolatschek)
  - Still 4 issues per year, but going forward 2 will be hardcopy and 2 will only be available electronically - will help reduce costs of the Newsletter which is the CTA single largest cost

c. Transplant Trot (Rob Kolatschek)

- plan to hold this running/awareness event during NOTDAW across cities all across Canada coordinated through Running Room
- within Ontario, London is holding one and proposing to organize one for Toronto as well
- For Toronto event, instead of monetary registration, Rob suggests focus be on getting people to sign-up for the Donation Preference registration
- Looking for volunteers in the GTA to lead this event

d. Table Tennis (Sandra Holdsworth)

- Sandra is planning a Table Tennis event to raise Organ Donor awareness.
- It would take place on the anniversary of an organ donor families decision to donate and in memory of their son death and donation
- It is proposed to be held in March

e. Curling

- ✚ It was suggested that there be a curling event organized for CTA Ontario members
- ✚ A few people in the meeting thought it was a good idea and will look to see if they can organize in their communities

7) The meeting was adjourned prior to all agenda items being discussed and it was decided that the Ontario Executive and all those interested would regroup for a meeting in early March.