

Directors: Terry Knight (Chair - Group C), John Stirk (1st Vice Chair - Director at Large), Steve Quinn (2nd Vice Chair - Group B), Bob Burley (Past Chair- Group E), Neil Shay (Director at Large), Kevin Inglis (Group D), Marg Torrance (Director at Large), Tracy Wintermute (Group A), Brad Vanstone (Director at Large)

OMIA: John Taylor (President), Sharon Dittmer (Treasurer)

Guest: Dave Rutherford

The following is a summary of the March 24th, 2021, OMIA Board meeting.

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following individuals were elected to the OMIA Executive Committee:

John Stirk, Dufferin Mutual – Chair

Steve Quinn, Cayuga Mutual – 1st Vice Chair

Neil Shay, Caradoc Townsend Mutual – 2nd Vice Chair

Terry Knight will remain on the executive as Past Chair.

2. OMIA NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The OMIA Nominating Committee is composed of 3 OMIA board members and 2 at large members from amongst the voting member mutuals. Currently those at large members are Dorothy Medd of McKillop Mutual and Deb Van Eyk of Lambton Mutual.

Their 3-year terms are expiring, and the board will be canvassing the membership to put forward individuals to serve on the Nominating Committee as member representatives.

The work of the Nominating Committee will begin in September with the vetting of nominations and then interviewing candidates for 2 at large positions to be elected at the OMIA Annual General Meeting in March 2022.

Interest in the Nominating Committee will be canvassed under separate cover in April.

A call for nominations to the board for at large positions will take place in June.

3. GOVERNMENT CONSULTATIONS

OMIA has responded to formal consultation on a number of issues with the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Consumer and Government Services. We have also responded to a FSRA consultation.

Consultations include three on potential changes to automobile insurance, one on modernizing the Corporations Act, and one on significant changes to the Unfair or Deceptive Acts or Practices Regulation under the Insurance Act.

4. DATA STRATEGY COMMITTEE

The Data Strategy Committee has undertaken a feasibility study for the potential to do shared property rating services. Member focus interviews are currently underway and further reporting will be made to the membership later in the spring.

5. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

On March 2nd, the Legislative Affairs Committee held their annual March Roundtable. We were unable to travel to Queens Park but were joined by over 60 delegates online. The featured speaker was Steven Del Duca, Leader of the Ontario Liberal party.

The roundtable group also discussed current developments with the Conservation Authorities Act, the Corporations Act, and other matters of current political interest.

The fall roundtable will be scheduled with dates to be confirmed in the coming months.

6. UPCOMING EVENTS

The OMIA golf tournament scheduled for June 10th, 2021 has been cancelled and rescheduled for June 9th, 2022 at Hockley Valley Resort.

The President & Managers Meeting is scheduled to take place October 24th to 26th at Deerhurst Resort in Huntsville. OMIA is assessing the feasibility of having an in-person event in late October and will monitor updates on the pandemic and public health advisories over the coming months before making a final decision on the meeting venue.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

The board also heard reports from the Accounting Advisory Committee, the Auto Committee, the Auto Rate Filing Committee, the Education Committee, the Product Strategy Committee, and the Regulatory Review Committee.

Bob Burley was thanked for his service as Group E Director and Past Chair of OMIA.

The board also welcomed as a guest to the meeting Dave Rutherford of HTM Insurance who is the incoming Group E Director.



8. CHAIR'S THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Terry Knight's theme for the year has been supported by his Chair's Thoughts of the Day on the many contributing factors to vision and success.

Terry's final thought of the day as OMIA Chair follows:

"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do". --Pele

The board thanks Terry for his service as OMIA Chair in a unique and challenging year.