# 2020-2021 Application for Membership in CFUW Ontario Council

#### **CFUW Ontario Council**

CFUW Ontario Council, a not-for-profit corporation incorporated under the Ontario Corporations Act (1990), governed by the Act and any regulations made under it, along with the CFUW Ontario Council bylaws in its management and operations, offers the following CFUW OC non-profit Corporate Membership Application. Applicable fees are \$6.25 per group member.

CFUW Ontario Council Corporate Membership is open to Ontario non-partisan clubs, who have at least 10 individual members, who are interested in furthering the purposes of CFUW Ontario Council and who have applied and been accepted for membership by an ordinary motion of the CFUW Ontario Council Board. Potential members can be organized as in-person groups, virtual groups, or hybrid of both.

Please complete the required information as listed below in a Word document and forward it to <a href="mailto:info@cfuwontcouncil.org">info@cfuwontcouncil.org</a>. A confirmation receipt will be forwarded, and you will be contacted to confirm the application.

#### **Group Name:**

#### **Primary Contact Information:**

# A. Background

Please provide background about your organization including the number of confirmed members, geographic location, purpose, etc.

#### B. Membership

Please provide background on why your organization/group is interested in being a corporate member of the CFUW Ontario Council organization. Please be specific.

#### C. Organization Details

Please provide a copy of your organization's bylaws or constitution.

# D. Understanding of CFUW Ontario Council

Please indicate that your organization has read and understood the CFUW Ontario Council bylaws including the information on Membership.

# Membership Criteria – From the OC Bylaws (May 2020)

### Section 1 – Definitions

- **8. CFUW Ontario Council Club** means an Ontario non-partisan women's organization interested in furthering the purposes of CFUW Ontario Council. Upon Board approval this member has a vote. Hereinafter called 'Club'.
- **9. Corporation** means the corporation that has passed these bylaws under the Act or that is deemed to have passed these bylaws under the Act, namely CFUW Ontario Council.
- 14. Member means a member of the Corporation, including the board and the CFUW Ontario Council Clubs.
- **15. Members** means the collective membership of the Corporation.
- 16. Members of Clubs means the individual members belonging to CFUW Ontario Council Clubs.
- 17. Non-Partisan means free from political party bias.

# Section 8 – Membership

### 8.01 Members of the Corporation

Members of the Corporation shall be the CFUW Ontario Council Clubs and the Board Directors. A membership in the Corporation is not transferable, must be in good standing, and automatically terminates if the Member resigns or such membership is otherwise terminated in accordance with the Act.

# 8.02 CFUW Ontario Council Club Membership

CFUW Ontario Council Club Membership is open to Ontario non-partisan clubs who are interested in furthering the purposes of CFUW Ontario Council and who have applied and been accepted for membership by an ordinary motion of the CFUW Ontario Council Board. Upon Board approval this member has one vote.

CFUW Ontario Council Clubs, who were Members as of January 1, 2019, may retain membership until withdrawal as long as they remain in good standing. If a Member does not remain in good standing they will be required to proceed with a Membership Application as defined in 8.03.

# 8.03 Membership Application

- 1. Annual Membership
  - a. Subject to 8.02, a club is eligible to be an Annual Member where the club pays to the Corporation the annual membership fee as defined by Club Dues in 8.07, in an amount determined from time to time.
  - b. At the time of the payment of the fee in paragraph (a) the club must:
    - i. support and promote the purposes of the Corporation
    - ii. have completed, signed, and submitted the Membership Application as approved by the Board
  - c. Any annual membership in the Corporation shall be effective from April 1st to March 31st.
- 2. A member shall not be entitled to vote at any meetings of the Corporation unless the membership was approved by the Board and the membership fee was paid in full at least sixty (60) days prior to the meeting.
- 3. Each application for a membership in the Corporation must be in a form prescribed by the Directors of the Corporation for the then current year and must be received by the Board no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year

in order to be considered in time to allow the prospective applicant an opportunity to vote at the next annual meeting of the Corporation The decision as to whether a prospective applicant will be admitted will be made by the Board in its sole discretion in accordance with Section 8.02. The Application shall contain:

- (i) The membership qualifications set out in 8.03 (a).
- (ii) A statement by the applicant that they have read the membership qualification and that they meet all the requirements set forth therein; and
- (iii) The applicable membership dues.

# 8.04 Voluntary Withdrawal from Ontario Council Membership

A CFUW Ontario Council Member shall notify the President of CFUW Ontario Council in writing of its intention to withdraw from CFUW Ontario Council and include a cheque for all outstanding CFUW Ontario Council dues and liabilities.

#### 8.05 Member Code of Conduct

Members have a responsibility to understand and follow ethical behaviour practices. CFUW Ontario Council Members will uphold the reputation and good standing of the CFUW Ontario Council and act with integrity and respect for others.

# 8.06 Disciplinary Act or Loss of Membership for Cause

- 1. Upon thirty (30) days' written notice to a Member, the Board may pass a motion authorizing disciplinary action or the termination of membership for violating provisions of the Articles or Bylaws.
- 2. The notice shall set out the reasons for the disciplinary action or termination of membership. The Member receiving the notice shall be entitled to give the Board a written submission opposing the disciplinary action or termination not less than five (5) days before the end of the thirty (30) day period. The Board shall consider the written submission of the Member before making a final decision regarding disciplinary action or termination of membership.
- 3. If a CFUW Ontario Council Member has an individual member who violates the provisions of the Articles or Bylaws, the individual member's club will be responsible to resolve the issue. CFUW Ontario Council Members will be accountable for their individual member's conduct as it pertains to these Articles and Bylaws.

# 8.07 Ontario Council Member Club Dues

- 1. CFUW Ontario Council Member Clubs shall pay annual, non-refundable, per capita dues calculated on the basis of the current year's club membership as of the date specified.
- 2. A member who belongs to more than one CFUW Ontario Council Club shall only pay Ontario Council annual dues to one of the Clubs.
- 3. Written notice outlining any proposed change to the CFUW Ontario Council Member Club per capita dues shall be sent to all Clubs at least 60 days before the Annual General Meeting.
- 4. If Member Dues are not paid in full by the date specified, the Member may lose their Membership in the Corporation and all associated Membership rights.