

INHABITED BY AN IDEAL

INFORMATION KIT FOR THE 2018 AGM

Word from the Chairman of the Board

Dear friends:

As always, when it's time to invite you to take part in the general assembly, I try to decide between the Federation's numerous achievements and the issues that we engage in annually, which appears to us, the Board and management, as unavoidable issues that must be emphasized at all costs.

This year, however, a subject is immediately obvious. Like the rest of society, our Federation is confronted with the fundamental question of gender relations and more particularly of respect for the physical and psychological integrity of women. In the wake of the "ME TOO" movement and the revelations that came out in the news, we cannot avoid a review of the conditions of the vast majority of our members, women, in these communities that are housing co-operatives.

The results of the research-action on the participation of women in democratic life and the taking of responsibilities in housing co-operatives, which the Federation, together with its partners, carried out in the framework of a project supported by Status of Women Canada should allow us to better understand the impediments that deprive us of the full participation of women and especially to determine the corrective actions that we can take to put an end to this imbalance.

By the same token, the creation of the Women's Committee, whose main mandate is to work to prevent violence against women living in housing co-operatives and which spearheaded the proposals made by the Board of directors at the AGM, reflects the importance attached to the issue of the status of women. An interactive activity at the AGM addressing violence against women goes along the same lines.

Among the subjects that will be discussed, we must mention the fall provincial election. A proposal dealing with the demands our movement wants to put forward in the campaign will be presented to you. After the excellent work done during the municipal election campaign in Montreal and Laval, the Political Action Committee, FECHIMM's real political arm, is already actively preparing for this new election. The committee will report to the meeting on its activities as well as its objectives for the coming year.

As it should be, a comprehensive presentation of the Federation's activities, financial statements and fiscal outlook is also on the program. This year, the management and the team of employees devoted a great deal of their energy to reviewing the quality, quantity and nature of services provided to members, such as education, management assistance, telephone counseling, pooling and support for renovation work. These developments will obviously be presented to the members at the AGM.

Finally, I would be remiss not to mention that this year, 2018, the Federation is in its 35th year of operation. As decided by the assembly last year, various activities will take place during the year to highlight this anniversary.

At the forefront of the actions with which we mark these 35 years, the introduction this winter of our organization's new logo, a symbol of our expected ambitions and especially the principles and values that guide us, will not be the only one. Inhabited by an ideal, FECHIMM will celebrate the rich history of its founders at the General Meeting and throughout 2018.

Good meeting!

In 72 m/2.

Luc Brisebois

CONVOCATION NOTICE

2018 Annual General Meeting

Montréal, March 28, 2018

To the administrators of the Federation's member co-operatives

Mr. Richard Lemay, secretary of FECHIMM's board of directors, hereby gives notice to every Board of directors of housing co-operatives member of FECHIMM of the 2018 Annual general meeting which will be held:

Date and time: Friday, April 27, 2018 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

and Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Place : Collège de Maisonneuve (Nicolet entrance)

2701, rue Nicolet, Montréal (Québec)

Salle Le Vivoir (local universelle accessible)

(Pie IX or Joliette metro station)

The 2018 AGM will kick off festivities for the 35th anniversary of the founding of FECHIMM on February 19, 1983, under the theme "Inhabited by an Ideal". The participants will be made aware of violence against women in their living environment. A tribute will also be paid to a person who has marked the history of the movement.

The Proposal Book is attached to this kit. A proposed amendment to the code of assembly procedures is presented to introduce the principle of male-female alternation and a declaration on the prevention of violence against women living in co-operatives. With the provincial election around the corner, the assembly will have to decide on the priorities that the federation will focus on during the election campaign. A proposal to structure an inter-operational mediation service will also be submitted to the assembly.

Richard Lemay, secretary

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Please note that all activities take place in French. Consult the French version of the documentation for more details and for registration and nomination forms.

AGENDA

Friday, April 27, 2018

6 p.m.	Welcome, registration, coffee
6:15 p.m.	Optional: questions and answers on basic assembly procedures
7 p.m.	Opening of the assembly, word of welcome and introduction of the guests
7:20 p.m.	Appointment of a chairperson and a secretary for the meeting
7:25 p.m.	1. Adoption of the agenda
7:30 p.m.	2. Adoption of the minutes from the 2017 AGM
7:40 p.m.	3. Report to the assembly
8:10 p.m.	4. Audit report
8:30 p.m.	5. Appointment of an auditor for 2018
8:35 p.m.	6. Presentation of the provisional budget
8:55 p.m.	7. Concluding remarks and reminder of the next day's activities
9:00 p.m.	Beer, wine and snacks, courtesy of the ASSURANCES COOP program

and Lussier Dale Parizeau

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Saturday, April 28, 2018

8 a.m. Welcome, registration, coffee and pastries

Reception of late proposals (registration table)

Reception of nomination ballets for various positions to be filled (registration table)

9 a.m. Word of welcome

Introduction of guests

Reminder of the day's activities

9:10 a.m. 8. Continuation of the meeting adjourned the night before

9. Reports from the committees

Women's committee

Project « Presence of women, women's empowerment »

Political action committee

10:10 a.m. 10. Situation and courses of action for 2018

10:30 a.m. Recess

10:45 a.m. 11. Processing the proposals

11:40 a.m. Explanations on the ephemeral Museum and the stands

12:00 Lunch

12:30 p.m. Stands with our partners and the Federation

Ephemeral Museum « Breaking the silence» in partnership with the Centre

d'éducation et d'action des femmes de Montréal

2:00 p.m. Return to the activities

2:05 p.m. 12. Presentation of the activities planned for the 35th anniversary

2:15 p.m. 13. Tribute

2:35 p.m. 14. Processing the proposals (continued)

3:30 p.m. 15. Elections

15.1 Elections to the board of directors 15.2 Elections to the Credit commission

4:15 p.m. 16. The floor is yours

4:30 p.m. 17. Draws, closing remarks, thanks and adjournment

4:45 p.m. 18. Closing of the assembly