

**GLOUCESTER EMERGENCY FOOD CUPBOARD
MINUTES FROM THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
APRIL 26TH 2006**

Chair: Don Collar

Don welcomed the attendees and introduced the new executive director David Brault.

Don introduced Ann Frederking, the retiring executive director, who gave a talk on the history of the GEFC. Ann was a founding volunteer with the GEFC and had served first as a volunteer, when the program opened in January 1989, and eventually as executive director from 1996 to 2006.

Don thanked Ann for her speech and for her years of work and the guidance she had provided to the volunteers.

1. The minutes from the 2005 AGM were approved on a motion proposed by Jim Brogues, seconded by Pat O'Driscoll.
2. David Brault thanked the volunteers and presented those volunteers eligible for 1-year pins, 5-year mugs and the 10-year honour roll. On behalf of the volunteers Marjorie Gardner presented Ann with flowers and a gift in appreciation of her many years of work.
3. Executive Director's Report: David Brault presented the Annual Report that Ann Frederking had prepared. Some points were: In 2005, 1225 different families used the Food Cupboard, the GEFC distributed over \$12,500 worth of food each week. The majority of the families used the program 3 times or less in the year, 42% of the clients on file were new in 2005. Direct donations, estimated at \$400,000, remain the most important source of food. The Ottawa Food Bank provided about 25% of our food. The rest of the food is bought. Fund and food raising are important to the GEFC and many individuals, schools, churches and local businesses make it possible for the GEFC to operate. The City of Ottawa provided funding to help with administrative costs.
4. Treasurer's Report: Jim Bogues presented and explained the audited Financial Statements for 2005.
5. The Executive Director's Report was approved on a motion proposed by Jim Bogues and seconded by Glenda Dare. A motion to accept the Financial Report was proposed by Jim Bogues, seconded by Ann Frederking and approved.
6. The slate of board members was presented. Eugene Young, seconded by Ian Stuart, proposed a motion to accept the nominations. It was approved. The board members are: 2-year term: treasurer Jim Bogues, Lesa Brown, Ann Frederking, Liz Hong-Farrell, Huguette Jean-Francois, Linda Lalonde, Pat O'Driscoll; 1-year term: Jerome Bower, Don Collar, Glenda Dare, Marjorie Gardner, Pauline McNally, Vivien Runnels, Marion Washington.
7. The meeting adjourned on a motion proposed by Ian and seconded by Vivian Runnels.