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DATE 24 March 1997

TO/DEST. Co-ordinator
 Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee

FROM/EXP. Co-ordinator
 Community Services Committee

SUBJECT/OBJET **WORLD CONFERENCE ON BREAST CANCER**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee approve the attendance of Councillor D. Holmes at the World Conference on Breast Cancer to be held in Kingston, Ontario, July 13 to 17, 1997.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of 20 Mar 97, the Community Services Committee considered the attached report dated 19 Feb 97 from the Co-ordinator, Community Services Committee, and approved the above-cited recommendation.

Funds are available for this purpose in the Health Department's (Community Services Committee) Conference Account, 012-76116-2111. The estimated cost of attending the conference is \$850.

Approved by
M. J. Beauregard

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TO/DEST. Chair and Members
 Community Services Committee

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REPORT RECOMMENDATION

For Committee discussion.

BACKGROUND

The attached document provides information on the first World Conference on Breast Cancer, to be held July 13 -17, 1997, in Kingston, Ontario. The Preliminary Program covers such matters as Conference Purpose/Theme and Topics, composition of the Scientific Advisory Committee, Conference Framework, Tentative Program Overview, Registration Information and Registration Form.

Councillor D. Holmes has requested this matter be placed on the Committee Agenda for discussion.

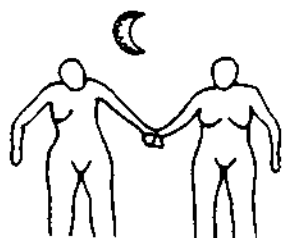
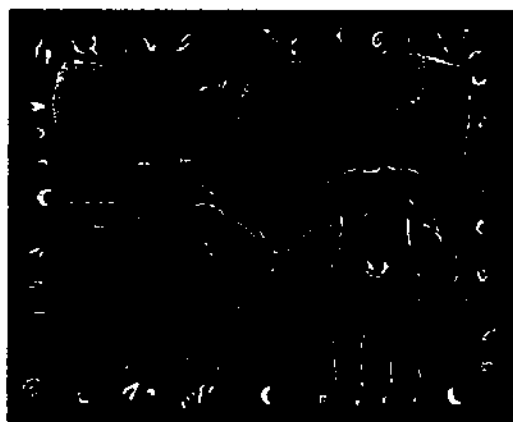
This report is respectfully submitted.

Approved by
M. J. Beauregard

c.c. Medical Officer of Health

WORLD CONFERENCE
ON
BREAST CANCER

JULY 13-17, 1997
KINGSTON, ONTARIO, CANADA



KINGSTON BREAST CANCER
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE



**PRELIMINARY
PROGRAM**

INVITATION

On behalf of the World Conference On Breast Cancer, I would like to invite everyone with concerns about breast cancer to attend this meeting. I am confident that you will find a great deal in the program to interest you. Some topics will be familiar, others new and compelling. It will be a great privilege to host this unique conference and to come together with concerned delegates from around the world in the fight against breast cancer.

Karen Weisbaum, President

*Kingston Breast Cancer Conference Committee, Kingston
Ontario Canada*

and

Bella Abzug, President & Co-founder

*Women's Environment & Development Organization (WEDO),
New York*

Bella Abzug, a former US Congresswoman, is a leading women's rights advocate, civil rights lawyer, public speaker, writer, founder and co-chair of the Women's Environment & Development Organization (WEDO), an international network with consultative status at the United Nations.

Bella devotes her energies to a wide range of women's issues. Breast Cancer became a focus of Bella's attention in March 1993, when WEDO, together with the New York City Commission on the Status of Women, which Bella chaired for 2 years, held a public hearing on Breast Cancer and the Environment that heard testimony from physicians, scientists, women's health specialists, activists and people with breast cancer, on the links between the breast cancer epidemic and exposure to chemical pollutants and radiation. Under Bella's leadership, WEDO has launched a national campaign in the US in partnership with Greenpeace and grassroots women's cancer groups entitled "Women, Cancer and the Environment Action for Prevention".



PURPOSE / THEME and TOPICS

Breast cancer is not just a medical or scientific problem. To defeat breast cancer will require involvement from the global community. In addition to early detection, funding, and support programs, the community must promote policies and research that looks to prevention as the key to overcoming this disease.

The World Conference on Breast Cancer will involve representatives from every aspect of Breast Cancer with plenaries, concurrent sessions, and workshops in the following topics:

- Prevention/Environment/Ethics**
- Treatment and Care**
- Research/Science/Medicine**
- Support and Advocacy**
- Alternative/Complimentary Therapies**
- Multicultural Issues**
- Lesbians and Breast Cancer**
- Men and Breast Cancer**
- The Politics of Breast Cancer**
- Genetics/Bio-Ethics/Law**
- The Media and Breast Cancer**

The Conference will seek to address these issues by involving representatives from the whole spectrum of Breast Cancer, and will seek to discover what is being done, what is not being done, what needs to be done, what other issues face women diagnosed with Breast Cancer, and how they manage their day to day living with a life threatening disease.

Response to the conference so far shows that there is an overwhelming interest and an urgent need to continue dialogue between groups on this global level. Submissions and enquiries have already been received from around the world (over 40 countries to date) as well as across Canada. We hope that the result will be education and continued visibility of breast cancer, exploring the complex links between different perspectives and components of the disease, and especially the continuation of dialogue among those with personal, political and professional connections to breast cancer. Accordingly, the conference theme is:

**Break the Silence - Stop the Epidemic:
Opening the Doors to Dialogue Around the World**

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs:

Dr. S.E. Aitkin
Medical Director
Ontario Breast Screening Program
Ottawa Ontario Canada

Dr. Diane Pross
Assistant Professor of Medicine & Oncology
Queen's University
Kingston Ontario Canada

Committee Members:

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Program, Toronto ON Canada

Dr. Irene Andrulis Samuel Lunenfeld Reseach
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Toronto ON Canada

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Department of Surgery
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Dr. Char Herman Nebraska Methodist College
of Nursing & Allied Health
Omaha NB USA

Dr. Mark Levine CEO, Hamilton Regional
Cancer Centre, Hamilton ON
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Dr. Susan Love UCLA Breast Centre, Los
Angeles CA USA

Dr. Steven Narod Chair, Breast Cancer
Research, Women's College
Hospital, Toronto ON Canada

Dr. Kathleen L. Pritchard Professor, University of
Toronto; Head, Division of
Medical Oncology, Toronto-
Sunnybrook Regional Cancer
Centre, Toronto ON Canada

Dr. Kathy Ragovin Massachusetts Breast Cancer
Coalition, Boston MA USA

Dr. Gordon Schwartz Professor of Surgery,
Jefferson Medical College,
Philadelphia PA USA

Dr. Susan Sherwin Professor, Department of
Philosophy, Dalhousie
University, Halifax NS
Canada

Mrs. Rita Soluk President & CEO, St.
Elizabeth Hospital, Hamilton
ON Canada

Dr. Mary Wolff Professor of Community
Medicine, Division of
Environmental &
Occupational Medicine,
Mount Sinai School of
Medicine, New York NY
USA

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The Conference committee welcomes everyone who has concerns and associations with breast cancer. The extensive program is relevant to a wide variety of persons including:

- women with breast cancer, their families and friends
- health career professionals
- physicians
- medical research scientists
- cancer information providers
- health educators
- administrators
- social workers
- prevention program managers
- medical educators
- journalists, PR officers
- public affairs lobbyists

CONFERENCE FRAMEWORK

* Each day is divided into four 90-minute segments for oral presentations.

1. Plenary sessions
2. Workshops; 90 minutes or half-day
3. Individual papers in concurrent sessions
4. Symposia
5. Thursday July 17 is given over entirely to the International Public Hearing

* Each day also includes a 90 luncheon break when Poster Sessions will be presented at the International Marketing Centre in the Jock Harty arena. All coffee breaks will also be taken in the marketing centre to allow delegates to browse.

FEATURES OF SCHEDULED SESSIONS

Plenary Sessions

- distinguished speakers/panels
- cover all major themes of conference
- well-illustrated with visuals

Workshops

- led by experienced people
- single topic focus
- well-illustrated where appropriate
- interactive
- skills development
- free exchange of ideas

Individual Papers in Concurrent Sessions

- chosen from abstracts offered
- grouped by topic
- 15 minutes each followed by question & answers

Symposia

- made up of four or five panellists
- different perspectives on issues
- presentations, followed by discussion
- development of issues

International Public Hearing

- large panel of representatives from government and other international agencies
- 5 minute presentations by international delegates
- presenter then open to questions from panel members
- designed to bring before the panel and the public the most urgent issues facing women at risk for breast cancer around the world

ROUNDTABLES

The planning committee is organizing a series of roundtable breakfast and lunches. These will allow delegates the opportunity to pursue in more detail and in a more informal setting issues of particular interest. Each table will consist of 9 delegates and 1 leader who will be prepared to lead the discussion. Only a limited number of tables and topics will be available. Delegates will register for these. Forms listing the topics and leaders will be included with the final program. The committee reserves the right to cancel any such discussions if registration is not adequate.

Deadline for Submission: March 31, 1997

CALL FOR PAPERS

You are invited to submit an abstract for a Session, Workshop, Poster, or Roundtable. Forms are available with this program or from the Conference Office. Abstracts must be submitted on the official form.

For additional abstract forms contact:

First World Conference on Breast Cancer
841 Princess Street
Kingston, Ontario K7L 1G7 Canada
Tel: (613) 549-1118 / Fax: (613) 549-1146

Follow the instructions on the form when preparing your abstract. Please indicate your preference for type of presentation. The appropriate committee will make the final decision regarding which type of presentation you will be requested to make. You will be informed of the presentation details in April, following receipt of all submissions.

Deadline for Submission: March 1, 1997

TENTATIVE PROGRAM OVERVIEW

	Sunday July 13	Monday July 14
0730 - 0830		
0900 - 1030		Opening Plenary Session <i>Scientific Research</i>
1030 - 1100		Refreshment Break <i>International Marketing Centre / Posters</i>
1100 - 1230		Workshops
1230 - 1400		Roundtable Lunches
1400 - 1530	Registration <i>Victoria Hall, Queen's University</i>	Plenary Session
1530 - 1600		Refreshment Break <i>International Marketing Centre / Posters</i>
1600 - 1730		Workshops
Evening	Opening Ceremonies Welcome Reception <i>Grant Hall, Queen's University</i>	Free Evening

TENTATIVE PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Tuesday July 15	Wednesday July 16	Thursday July 17
Roundtable Breakfasts	Roundtable Breakfasts	
Plenary Session <i>Women - Coping Techniques</i>	Plenary Session <i>Prevention / Environment</i>	
Refreshment Break <i>International Marketing Centre / Posters</i>	Refreshment Break <i>International Marketing Centre</i>	International
Workshops	Workshops	Public Hearing
Roundtable Lunches	Roundtable Lunches	Lunch
Plenary Session	Plenary Session	International
Refreshment Break <i>International Marketing Centre Posters</i>	Refreshment Break	Public Hearing
Workshops (Concurrent Sessions)	Women's Caucus (Plenary)	
Gala Evening <i>Grand Theatre (unconfirmed)</i>	Theme Evening <i>Island Queen Cruise</i> <i>Fort Henry Tour</i>	<i>Closing Ceremonies</i>

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Participation is open to all persons interested in current issues in breast cancer treatment and prevention, including social and political issues. Those who wish to attend the Conference should complete the Registration Form and return it with payment no later than March 31, 1997, to receive a substantial discount. Each registrant must complete a separate form. Clear photocopies are acceptable. Please read this booklet carefully before you complete the form.

Your registration will be acknowledged in writing with confirmation of your requirements according to your registration form. Bookings will be confirmed only on receipt of payment.

Entitlements

Each delegate is entitled to:

- Attend Opening & Closing Ceremonies
- Attend Welcome Reception
- Attend all Conference Sessions
- Morning and Afternoon Coffee, Lunch
- Visit the International Marketplace
- Receive a copy of the Final Program/Abstract

Volume

- Satchel

Each accompanying person is entitled to:

- Attend Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- Attend the International Marketplace
- Satchel

One day delegate is entitled to:

- Attend Conference Sessions on designated day
- Refreshment Breaks, Lunch on designated day
- Receive a copy of the Final Program/Abstract

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- Only 1 day may be attended

Registration Fees

Delegates:

Before March 31, 1997	\$ 200
After March 31, 1997	\$ 275

Accompanying Persons:

Before March 31, 1997	\$ 50
After March 31, 1997	\$ 75

One Day Delegate:

Before March 31, 1997	\$ 50
After March 31, 1997	\$ 60

Individuals who wish to apply for financial assistance regarding registration, should send a letter outlining their request to the Conference Secretariat.

Cancellations and Refunds

Cancellation must be given in writing to the Conference office. Cancellation received on or before **May 31, 1997** will receive a 75% refund of registration fees paid. Refunds for cancellation received after June 1, 1997 will be made only in exceptional circumstances.

Liability

The Organizing Committee shall not be held liable for personal accidents or losses or damage to private property of registered delegates of the Conference. Delegates should make their own arrangements with respect to personal insurance.

Disclaimer

In the event of disruptions, the Conference Organizers cannot be held responsible for any losses incurred by delegates. Program is correct at the time of printing, but organizer reserve the right to alter the program if and as is deemed necessary.

How to Register / Registration Inquiries

Registration form must be accompanied by payment. Cheques should be payable to: "First World Conference on Breast Cancer". Credit cards are also accepted.

Please complete all sections of the form and mail with payment to:

First World Conference on Breast Cancer
Registration Office
PO Box 1570, 190 Railway Street
Kingston ON K7L 5C8 Canada
Tel: 613-531-9210 / Fax: 613-531-0626
events@adan.kingston.net

Registration On-site

Upon arrival in Kingston please check in at the Registration Desk to receive your registration package, tickets, and badges. Badges must be worn to gain admittance at conference events.

Registration Desk: Victoria Hall, Queen's University,
Queen's Crescent, Kingston Ontario

Registration Desk Hours:

Sunday July 13	1530-2100
July 14 - 16	0800-1700
July 17	0800-1200

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