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Proposal Summary

Dissolution of CLGRO Creation of a New Queer Voice in Ontario

To assist in more clearly understanding the proposed dissolution of CLGRO as it currently stands towards a transformation into a modernized version, the following provides a simplified outline of what the changes would look like:

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Coalition of grassroots groups	—————>	Virtual think tank
Office space, phone line	—————>	Website, listserv, blog, facebook
Volunteers, paid administrator	—————>	Volunteers, students
Modest budget for grassroots existence	—————>	Reduced sustainable budget
Paid individual and group memberships	—————>	Free memberships with donations encouraged
Service oriented	—————>	Information oriented
Minimal provincial, physical representation	—————>	Online provincial representation
Monthly local and 3 provincial meetings	—————>	Quarterly meetings and online decision making
Hard copy materials	—————>	Electronic data
Hard copy newsletter	—————>	Regularly updated website or e-newsletter

Although a recasting of CLGRO into a new virtual entity would require an onslaught of resources such as time, meetings and funds in the initial stages, a focused strategy that creates a streamlined version with a drastically reduced budget and minimized administrative responsibilities could produce a more affordable and sustainable existence requiring minimal ongoing voluntary time based on reasonably paced activities.