

Minutes of the Wednesday, November 2nd, 2016 meeting of CN Pensioners Association, Fraser Valley

The meeting opened @ 1:00 pm with 38 members & spouses present and joining President Jonn Hanlen in the Lord's Prayer and moment of silence for deceased members.

Ross Dewar reported on recently deceased members and new members.

Recording Secretary, Sharole Hanlen read the minutes of the October meeting. With no E & O moved to accept the minutes as read. It was 2nd by Ross Gregory & carried.

Bert Harrison gave the Treasurers Report. Previous balance as of 31 August 2016 was \$4,377.04 - income of \$265.54 and expenses of \$1,426.82 leaving a new balance as of September 30, 2016 of \$3,215.76. Bert moved to accept the report as read. 2nd by Red Therieu. Carried.+

Barry Jones gave a brief report on the availability of COSCO workshops and told us that we can book a workshop presentation for our meetings at no charge.

Rod McIvor gave a report on the Kamloops trip. Everyone who took the trip on the Sandford Fleming business car enjoyed it very much.

Correspondence: President Jonn Hanlen read an email received stating that Carson Hull, our National rep for Blue Cross has stepped down effective immediately and the new Nation Rep for Blue Cross is now Blake Olson, a member of the Vancouver council and lives in Abbotsford.

Received an email from our National President Yves Bourdon who, on behalf of the CN Pensioners, signed a partnership agreement with CN Rail. Details to be released later.

One of the things in this agreement is that CN Rail will be mailing out calendars to all CN pensioners. Also, the CN people's magazine will be sent to all pensioners.

Effective January 1, 2017, all new retirees will automatically become paying members of the CNPA. If they choose not to, they will NOT be part of the CNPA Blue Cross group plan.

Announcements: Butch Whiteman, Mountain Region VP will be finished his term of office December 31, 2016. An election for a new director to fill his position will be taking place over the next few weeks. Only two people have submitted an application for his position. Stan Tash - Kamloops and Al Vodden - Edmonton. A copy of their resumes are attached to the minutes. A vote was taken by the paying members of Fraser Valley council. Results were: Stan Tash - 16

and Al Vodden - 8. Rod McIvor to relay the results of our vote to Blake Olson & Gord Wheatley who are responsible for the vote count.

Announcements cont'd:

Christmas dinner tickets are on sale. \$10.00 per person for a catered buffet style Turkey Dinner. We will also be collecting donations of non-perishable food items or cash for the Food Bank at our dinner. A cheque for \$100 each will be delivered to the Surrey and Langley food banks on behalf of the Fraser Valley CNPA council.

Two cheques for \$50.00 each will be delivered to the Royal Canadian Legion branches in Cloverdale (006) & Aldergrove (265) on behalf of the Fraser Valley CNPA council.

Jonh announced, anyone thinking of running for a position on the Fraser Valley council executive should speak to him or one of the other executive members to see what is involved with the position. Computer skills are necessary.

Vic Locke made a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 2:00 pm.

50/50 draw for \$63.50 was won by Jim McKay

Door prize of \$25.00 gift card was won by Rod McIvor.

Sharole Hanlen
Recording Secretary