



**Minutes of CN Pensioners Association Fraser Valley Meeting**

**Date:** Wednesday April 12, 2023

**Location:** Church in the Valley 23589 Old Yale Road Langley BC

**Meeting Called to Order @** 1:04 PM

**By:** Ross Gregory

**Opening remarks:** Introduction of Guest Speaker Blake Olsen, and Ron Shore a member of our CNPA Council and recently appointed to The CNPA National Executive.

**Attendance:** 30 members & spouses , 1 guest.

**Meeting started with the Lords Prayer by:** Steve Mihell

**Members that have passed:** Dennis Yampolsky– Princeton BC,  
Thelma Waugh – Mission BC, Petronella Hoogwater – Langley BC - spouse.

**Sick Members:** Barry Jones, Steve Whitemore

**Non-Members that have passed:** Elizabeth Ryz - Surrey BC- spouse. Butch Whiteman Railvets - Edmonton

**New Members:** Catherine Held

**Total Members:** 672 from March meeting. Numbers not available for this month.

**Minutes of last meeting: March February 08, 2023, read by:** Rae Sexton

**Motion to accept minutes:** Motion to accept Rod McIvor, second Maria Carter  
Motion carried.

**Financial Report read by:** Joey Valliers-Jorgensen

**Monthly Balance as of February 28, 2023:** \$4963.36

<b>Income</b>	505/50 Draw	\$	47.50	
	Quilt Tickets	\$		
	Sub Total	\$	47.50	
	Balance			\$5010.86

**Expenses** \$ 148.29

**Balance as of March 31, 2023:** \$4862.57

Notes: outstanding Checks #156 Steve Mihell \$100.00

#157 Bary Jones \$300.00



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### **Actual Balance**

\$4,462.57

Term Deposit with Aldergrove Credit Union \$5376.09 Maturing July 09, 2023, Interest rate 3.50% per annum

**Motion to accept financial report:** Ross Dewar, Second: Curly Peg

Carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

### **Correspondence:**

### **Communications:**

Guest Speaker: Blake Olsen . Blake sits on the National Council for CNPA and is also on the Executive of the CNPA Vancouver Chapter (E8)

Blake spoke on some of the following:

- Introduced Ron Shore and was glad to see another member of the executive who also has many years of being active when working for CN, with the CN Pension plan.
- On the financial situation of our pension plan, Blake went into some detail about the effects of interest rates and the affects of the Stock Market on our plan.
- At the national meeting in June, we will find out about how much of an increase we will receive in January 2024.
- about some of the committees and activities that members of the pension board are involve in.
- The National CNPA site has been updated with user friendly links (link to the page below)
- CN Scholarships for pensioners Children and Grand Children opens April 15- August 15, 2023. For more information go to the national web site .
- National CNPA has revised and published new By-Laws.
- Shared details of how our Extended Health care plan works and how the CNPA is always looking at ways to improve the plan and keep it affordable for all members.



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**Old Business:** Elections for the following positions will be held at our May 12, 2023, meeting .

Vice President., Treasurer , Member at Large

Ross Gregory will be stepping down from the position of Vice-President and will not seek re-election. Ross will put his name forward for member at Large.

Joey Valliers-Jorgensen will be running for re-election for position of Treasurer.

Summer Barbecue will be held June 14, 2023. All members of the Vancouver Chapter are also invited to attend.

**New Business:** Ross Dewar presented Keith and Dixie Dyrda complementary tickets to our June Barbecue, a token of our appreciation for the handmade planters that Keith has made and donated to our events.

Ross Dewar advised of a new phone scam regarding CN Pensioners, who may hold CN Stocks. The Phone number to call if you have any questions is Computershare (for CN) 1-800-564-6253.

Ross Dewar read a railroad poem dedicated to Steve Warunkiw.

**Meeting Adjourn:** by Maria Carter 2:20PM

**50/50:** \$59.50 Steve Mihell

**Door Prize:** \$25.00 Gift Card, Wendy Douglass

**CNPA Fraser Valley (E9) Web site**

<https://cnpafraservalley.wixsite.com/cnpafraservalley>

**CNPA Fraser Valley(E9) Facebook page**

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=cnpa%20fraser%20valley%20branch%2>

**Seniors Advocate British Columbia** <https://www.seniorsadvocatebc.ca/>.

**Council of Senior Citizens' Organization (COSCO)** <https://coscobc.org/>

**CN Pensioners Association** <https://www.cnpensioners.org/>