

**Minutes of the Wednesday, October 10th, 2017 meeting
Of CN Pensioners Association, Fraser Valley**

Meeting opened @ 1:00 pm with 27 members & spouses present joining President Jonn Hanlen in the Lords Prayer and a moment of silence for deceased members.

Ross Dewar then reported on the recently deceased members Jack Kinstlers & Gerald Lyons as well as new PRD members Cesario Losanez, Ann Siemens, Elizabeth Kovacs, Virpartap Sidhu & Lindsay Williams.

Elsie Taylor, acting as Recording Secretary in Sharole Hanlen's absence, read the minutes of the September meeting. Jonn Hanlen moved to accept the minutes as read. They were seconded by Dan Ritchie and carried.

Treasurer Jo Valliers Jorgensen gave the treasurers report for September. Previous balance as of end of June, 2017 was \$1115.75 with income of \$2036.19 & no expenses, leaving a balance at the end of July of \$3151.94. With Income in July 2017 of .02 and expenses of \$507.39 this leaves a balance at the end of August of \$2644.57. September bank statement not yet received so report will be updated when the missing statements are received. Jo Valliers Jorgensen moved to accept report as read and seconded by Vic Locke.

Discussion occurred regarding HSBC Bank being uncooperative in getting bank statements to the correct person., namely the Treasurer. Jonn Hanlen asked Jo Valliers to bring some research to the next meeting for discussion of aggravation in not getting statement and the value of keeping HSBC versus a new bank.

Old Business -

Christmas dinner tickets are now on sale. Price is \$15.00 each for member & spouse of the Fraser Valley CNPA. Price for guests is \$20.00 each. Date of the dinner is December 6th.

A discussion was held regarding the Obituary notices for both Fraser Valley CNPA & Vancouver CNPA. Due to the fact that so many of the members are known in both Associations, it might be a good idea to have a greater Vancouver Obituary column naming the people from both Associations on one combined list.

New Business -

Barry Jones gave a short presentation on COSCO Residential Care Survey, which brought to light the large proportion of seniors in Nursing/Care facilities who are not getting adequate care of the following needs: bathing, exercise, meal assistance, isolation, social connections, consistent care staff from day to day. A good discussion followed Barry's report.

TASK: Barry Jones will have handouts for our November meeting.

TASK: Barry Jones to e-mail Jonn some detail.

Discussion took place regarding sending flowers to Sharole Hanlen, Recording Secretary with best wishes to recover from her surgery. Following member support, Ross Dewar gave Jonn \$50.00 for

flowers.

Discussion occurred with suggestions on guest speakers:
BC Ambulance Service - what they do and what we should do
COSCO - Loss of driver's license process

BC Blue Cross - office staff have been locked out for several months. Claims are being shipped to Saskatchewan. Caution to members to check your submissions as Saskatchewan has different rules, which may become error prone.

Correspondence:

Email received from Butch Whiteman regarding the position of National Director, Mountain Region currently held by Tony Duhaime. This position becomes available January 1, 2018. An election for a 3-year term will be held in November, 2017.

The position of National Health Care Rep for Mountain Region currently held by Blake Olsen becomes available January 1, 2018. An election will be held in November, 2017. Anyone interested in these positions must be a current contributing member and should indicate their interest to the executive of the council to which they belong.

Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 14:10 pm by Jonn Hanlen.

50/50 draw for \$42.50 was won by Vic Locke
Door Prize draw for \$25 gift card was won by Ross Gregory

Elsie Taylor
Acting Recording Secretary