

Minutes of the Wednesday, February 3rd, 2016 meeting of CN Pensioners Association, Fraser Valley

The meeting opened at 1:00 pm with 33 members & spouses present joining President Jonn Hanlen in the Lord's Prayer and a moment of silence for deceased members.

Recording Secretary, Sharole Hanlen reported on 1 deceased member and advised that due to the membership campaign being done by National office, we now have 15 new members signed up. Sharole also advised that effective with the March meeting, Diane Trick has agreed to do the report on any obituaries and/or new members that we have received.

Sharole then read the minutes of the January 2016 meeting. With no E & O moved to accept as read. 2nd by Ross Gregory. Carried.

President Jonn Hanlen reported that Barry Jones has agreed to be our 2nd COSCO delegate and will be attending the monthly meetings with Vic Locke.

Bert Harrison gave the Treasurers report. Previous balance as of 30 Nov 2015 was \$7715.25, monthly income of \$428.06 and expenses of \$3245.36 leaving a balance at the end of December of \$4897.75. Bert also reported that our Term Deposit was \$7598.86.

Bert moved to accept the report as read. 2nd by Barry Jones. Carried

Correspondence: Jonn read an email received from Blake Olson regarding the 2016 C.N.P.A Scholarship program. It states that within the next couple of months there will be the launch of a new website giving all necessary information on Scholarship applications. It also stated that the amount for the Scholarships will be increased to \$1500 per year and 5 Scholarships will be available for the Mountain Region (B.C. /Alta)
No other correspondence was received.

New Business: Jonn reported on updating the Constitution, Rules & Regulations Fraser Valley council. All new information will be available on the Fraser Valley website.

A motion was put forward by Jim Smith to extend the Executive terms to 2 years from the present 1 year effective June 2016. Vic Locke amended the motion stating that the four Executive positions - Pres., V.P., Treas., Sec., - should be elected two at a time on opposing years. That way we will not have the possibility of 4 new executive members all at one time. Therefore, the motion was amended to read as follows:

**CNPA Fraser Valley council E9 will hold election of officers as follows -
President & Recording Secretary election for 2 years to be held in June 2016.**

Term to run from June 2016 until June 2018.

Vice President & Treasurer election for 2 years to be held in June 2017.

Term to run from June 2017 until June 2019.

This motion was 2nd by Karl Mazeppa - Carried. Motion inserted in Constitution Art. 4

New Business cont'd.

Elsie Taylor asked a question regarding C.N. Scholarships. She would like to know whether or not CN Pensioners qualify for the Scholarship program if they are currently enrolled in an academic program for more than 3 semesters. This question was sent to National office. They are reviewing the matter and will advise.

Jonh Hanlen then brought up the subject of Executive members and elections. He stated that anyone considering a nomination for any of the executive positions, should talk to him and he would be happy to arrange a meeting and go over all the duties and information necessary for the position in question. He also said that anyone interested in filling any of these positions should have computer skills.

The annual Audit is due so Jonh the requested 2 volunteers to get together with Treasurer Bert Harrison to make arrangements for the Audit to be done. Elsie Taylor & John McDonald have volunteered to do this. Jonh also informed them, if there were any questions regarding the Audit, to speak with Vic Locke as he has done the Audit in past years.

As this was a pizza luncheon meeting, the pizza arrived so a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sharole Hanlen and 2nd by Ross Gregory at approx 2 pm. Carried.

CN calendars were also handed out to those who wanted one.

50/50 draw for \$49.00 was won by Sandra Harrison

\$25 door prize was won by John Nowak

Sharole Hanlen
Recording Secretary