

National Association of Federal Retirees North Island – John Finn Branch (BC06) Executive Meeting 2 April 2019 – Comox Legion

Bill called the meeting to order at 1300 hours.

Present: Bill Turnbull - President

Coordinator

Cecile Turnbull – Health Benefits Steve Bunyan – Membership Edith Kelly – Secretary Cherie Kelley – Director

Absent: Paddy O'Blenis – Programs

Warren Kelley - Director

Norma Dean – Vice President/Telephone

Serge Gosselin – Treasurer Deb Yelf – Welfare Kathi Brown – Director John Renaud - Director

Kevin Weighill – Newsletter

Bill welcomed the newly elected directors to the meeting.

Agenda and Minutes:

The meeting agenda was accepted. Cecile moved that the minutes of the 5 March 2019 meeting be approved; seconded by Cherie. <u>Carried</u>.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: Serge reported that as of 31 March 2019, the branch savings and cash accounts totaled \$55,572.10. Income for the period 01 January to 31 March 2019 was \$143.86 and expenses were \$1,475.37, resulting in a deficit of -\$1,331.51.

Serge noted that luncheon ticket sales are not shown as income, they are shown under expenses. This is the way National Office wants it recorded. We are also still waiting to receive our first quarter remittance from National Office. Serge moved that the financial statement be accepted as presented; seconded by John. <u>Carried</u>.

Membership: Steve reported CRM records show we have 2125 members; however, his records show we have 2136 members. He believes the discrepancy is a result of his records still showing a number of memberships that have expired over the last couple of months. Steve's records indicate there are 733 double and 670 single members in 1,403 households. We are still getting 4 or 5 new members each month. Steve will send Bill and Norma an updated nominal roll and a revised phone list. He asked Bill to send him his list for cross-referencing.

Newsletter: Kevin was absent. He has sent in the branch information, in the new format, to National Office for the next Sage magazine issue.

Health Benefits: A letter was sent to members of Canadian Forces Appreciation, advising that they have teamed up with Hearing Life Canada and are looking for people to evaluate a new digital hearing aid;

however, they do not want to hear from anyone whose hearing aids are paid for by Veterans Affairs or the military.

Programs: Paddy was absent.

Communications: Bill reported the website is almost up-to-date. He will be posting the March executive and AGM minutes soon.

Welfare: Deb reported we have lost six members, three active and three inactive, since last month and Molly Richardson is in hospital with a broken hip. Kathi reported that Margaret Crites was briefly in hospital, but is now fine.

Deb reported receiving a phone call, supposedly from a Julie Mills of Health Partners Canada. As she did not receive a second call or know the caller or the organization, she did not return the call, thinking it might be some sort of scam. Bill suggested this person may have obtained Deb's name and phone number from our website.

Telephone: Norma reported one of her callers, Sherry Russell, has moved or is moving to Regina. She did the phoning for the March luncheon, but will be away from 7 May to early June so might not be back in time to contact members about the June luncheon. Cherie offered her assistance.

BUSINESS:

Search for New General Meeting Venue. Paddy was absent. Kathi was in touch with the Officers Mess Manager and the cost to rent the Mess is \$20.00 per hour or \$180.00 for the day. She believes there is seating in the dining room for around 250 people. Bill did not think there was a projector or screen available in the dining room for presentations but they are available in the lounge area. Kathi will arrange to meet with Christine to discuss catering, table set up, bar availability, etc. and report at the next meeting.

Documents for National Office. Bill provided each executive member with a copy of all the paperwork that each year he is required to send to National Office, following the AGM.

Internal Reviewers. Since John is now a member of the executive, he can no longer act as an Internal Reviewer and Dave Shewchuk's health is uncertain at this time. Serge suggested Andy Anderson, a retired Finance CWO, as one possible replacement and Cecile suggested approaching the Treasurer of the Camera Club to which she belongs to see if she would be interested.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1340 hours.

Next Executive Meeting – Tuesday, 7 May 2019.

Edith Kelly, Secretary

Bill Turnbull, President