

**National Association of Federal Retirees**  
North Island – John Finn Branch (BC06)  
Via Zoom - Executive Meeting Minutes  
March 02, 2021

**Attendees:**

Norma Dean – President

Warren Kelley – VP/Advocacy

Steve Bunyan – Membership

Bill Turnbull - Communications

Gordon Richardson – Health Benefits

Cecile Turnbull – Secretary/Programs

Cherie Kelley –Telephone/Newsletter

Serge Gosselin – Treasurer

Lorene Hill - Director

**Absent:** Brad Bridgeman, Lena Jenkins

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm by Norma Dean. The president welcomed everyone.

**Agenda:** The agenda was accepted as sent out. Moved by Steve, 2nd by Cherie. All approved.

**Minutes:** The February executive minutes. Moved by Cherie, 2nd by Bill. All approved.

**Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Serge went over the Financial reports (forwarded earlier).

- Account Balances as of the end of March – Bank - \$13,554.93 – Cash Account - \$637.69. Total Assets amount to \$50,499.53 with income of \$1.25 in interest for a total surplus of \$136.30. Overall total of \$63,443.32
- **Motion by Serge:** to accept the financial reports to the end of March as presented, 2nd by Cecile. All approved.
- Serge expects a cheque from NO in the amount of \$3500 approximately in mid-April.

**Membership:** Steve –

- Total 1318 households, 704 doubles, 614 singles for 2022 members.

**Newsletter:** Cherie –

- Cherie who volunteered to undertake the Editor job for the newsletter will get together with Kevin.
- Cherie has a new computer, paid by the branch for Newsletter purposes.

**Health Benefits:** Gordon –

- No report at this time.

**Communications:** Bill –

- The website is up to date, but Bill will bring some NAFR info in-line with National Office in regards to membership and branches.
- Bill will handle ZOOM meeting set-up while Brad is off.

**Programs:** Cecile –

- Cecile will train Lorene to take over Programs. Lorene was sent the guidelines for the position.

- Keeping in mind Provincial guidelines for in-person meetings, venues will be looked at for future meetings.

**Welfare:** Lena –

- No report at this time. National Office to send Lena info to get into CRM.

**Telephone:** Cherie –

- No report but Steve will forward an updated membership list.

**Advocacy:** Warren –

- No report at this time, other than Warren has contacted Leslie Gaudette to see if she will be our guest speaker at the June General Meeting on Wednesday, June 9th. She has agreed to speak on Advocacy.

**Old/New Business:**

**Recognition policy – Gifts for retiring volunteers:**

- After some discussion it was agreed to establish a \$50.00 maximum for volunteers leaving no matter how long they have served.
- The gift should be suited to the person leaving.
- Plaques and certificates were not favoured as gifts.
- **Motion by Lorene:** That the branch establishes a policy whereby \$50.00 will be spent on volunteers leaving the executive. Second by Serge. All agreed.
- Lorene and Cherie to coordinate.

**Membership Task Force:**

- The first meeting had to be cancelled and with new restrictions getting together in person is not going to work.
- Members include - Norma, Bill, Cherie, Gordon, and Steve
- A ZOOM meeting will be set up for those on the team.
- One idea that came up was to discuss how to get more volunteers on the executive as some are doing two jobs.

**Zoom General Meeting:**

- The **June General Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, June 9, 2021**
- Leslie Gaudette will be the guest speaker.

**Newsletter – June and beyond:**

- Reports into Cherie the week of the 12th for set up so it can be sent to printer by the 19th and off in the mail by the 20th.

**Next Executive Meeting - Tuesday, May 4th, 2021**

**Adjourned – 3:00 PM**

*Minutes – Cecile Turnbull*

*President – Norma Dean*