

FEDERAL SUPERANNUATES NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE MEETING - NORTH ISLAND BRANCH

May 8, 2001

1. Call to order and attendance:

Al Dawber	President	Bernie Poole	Vice President
Tom Dandeno	Treasurer	Dorothy Lind	Secretary
Ann Hallam	Telephone Comm.	Frank Elvins	Historian
Barbara Schneider	Programs	John Davis	Media
Velda Hoggan	Director	Bryan Lind	Director
Ron Mitchell	Newsletter	Ian Sibbald	Welfare
Steve Bunyan	PSHCP	Par Herbert	Asst. Treasurer

It was moved by Tom and seconded by Bryan that the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as presented. Carried.

2. Committee reports:

Treasurer: Tom reported a bank balance of \$15,750.83 to May 7, 2001. He said we are owed three quarterly DDS installments for approximately \$3600.00 but he doesn't know the full amount until the membership roll has been finalized. He also said that we are still owed \$600.00 by Merrill Lynch.

Membership: Our membership at the present is approximately 857 with 450 spouses/partners for a total of 1307. He has some doubt regarding the validity of these figures and he said the exact number is hard to determine because Report #3 lists some current members switching to DDS but he has no names. He has also sent out letters to those in arrears but some are still away and adjustments will have to be made for deaths, transfers and returned mail.

Media: John said the posters will be printed this week and distribution will go ahead for the General meeting in June.

Welfare: Ian had nothing new to report.

Programs: Barb said she would arrange for the General meeting lunch. It was felt that the experiment with the dessert table was not too successful so will discuss it with Jennifer and try something else.

Newsletter: Ron said they hope to have the Newsletter printed by May 20th so it will be out before the Telephone Committee goes to work. He has had a request from the Community Adult Learning and Literacy Society to place a small announcement regarding their General meeting in June. Al suggested that they might be willing to supply us with a guest speaker in return.

PSHCP: Steve had nothing to report.

Telephone Committee: Ann said they were getting ready for the next meeting. Tom will prepare new lists which will include the new members.

3. Business:

The Regional Meeting will be held in Nanaimo on May 14th. There will be discussion about guidelines to be used by Branches in spending Branch funds for Community services. The Triennial Convention in August will also be discussed. A vote will be carried out to elect a Deputy Regional Director.

Ron reported on the progress of development of a web site for the Branch. There has been some discussion by the Committee members and they have also looked at some of the other web sites of other Branches. They have pretty much settled on the "start simple" approach and will expand as they get used to the technology. Tom moved that we make \$250.00 available to Ron, seconded by John. Carried.

The speaker at the next General Meeting will be Mike Gariepy who will be discussing Housing for Seniors.

Bernie suggested that we might consider Judy Hagen, who is Chairman of the Community Museum, as a guest speaker some time in the near future.

Bryan suggested that we look at the possibility of hiring a bus to transport Campbell River members to the General meetings, especially since we have so many new members from up there. It will be discussed further.

Frank moved the meeting be adjourned.

Current Status

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Development of the Web Site for FSNA - North Vancouver Island Branch

Activity on 2 fronts :

1) There have been some e-mail discussions between Barb Page, Leif-Eric Wadelius and myself re what the website should contain.

We have each looked at some of the other websites that other Branches have -(only about a half dozen or so)

As a committee we've pretty much settled on the 'start simple' approach with further development to come as we get used to the technology.

So initially we'll have

- suitable masthead with National FSNA logo and sort of BC graphic, (dogwood suggested - we're still working on it)
- Listing of our purpose and mandate
- Listing of our executive members
- Link to the National website
- space for current announcements and issues.

2) Have visited Digital Ark and Island Internet to check out on the possibility of hosting our web site. Preliminary discussions indicate that the fee for hosting our website depends on

- whether or not we want to have our own registered domain name
- how complex our site is going to be (Island Internet offers up to 2 meg of web space for non-profits for free. That would accommodate the information noted above. The more graphics and pages we include, but more space we take. At some point we would exceed the 2 meg limit
- Digital Ark's charges for a 5 meg website come to \$14.95 per month or \$173.59 per year plus a payment of \$53.50 per year to register our domain name.

I'm going to use (with Digital Ark's permission) personal webspace that I have as part of my own account in order to get our concept site up and visible. When that happens, we'll probably be asking the executive members to have a look and see what they think. (Hopefully by next executive meeting).