

FEDERAL SUPERANNUATES NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Executive Meeting - North Vancouver Island Branch

March 7, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm. Those in attendance were:

Ian Sibbald	President	Bill McSeveney	Vice President
Tom Dandeno	Treasurer	Dorothy Lind	Secretary
Barbara Schneider	Programs	John Davis	Media
Frank Elvins	Historian	Steve Bunyan	Webmaster & Asst. M'ship
Halle MacMullen	Welfare	John Finn	Health Benefits
Kevin Weighill	Newsletter	Cecile Turnbull	Telephone

It was moved by Bill and seconded by John Davis that the minutes be approved as presented. Carried.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer:

Tom reported a closing balance to February 28, 2006 of \$27,041.17. Interest earned to December 31, 2005 was reinvested and added to December 31 investment total. There is still no resolution to the DDS payments owing since the first quarter of 2002 and the DDS cheque for February is outstanding. Tom moved the acceptance of his report, seconded by Bill. Carried.

Membership:

Tom reported a membership at present of 1111 members and 587 spouses/partners for a total of 1698. There are 24 DDS members for whom we have no valid address. Reminders were sent to 75 members who have not yet renewed. Dues have been received from a number of these and a number have told him they have changed to DDS. DDS printouts have not been available for nearly a year. Tom moved the acceptance of his report, seconded by Barb. Carried.

Media:

John said that all the posters have been hand delivered and an announcement of the general meeting will be on CH News.

Welfare:

Halle has sent out several cards and has several more to send.

Programs:

Barb said that everything was arranged for the general meeting tomorrow. She has booked for 174 for the meal and has also book the projector for John's presentation.

Webmaster:

Steve said that Sidney was not yet on the web site but they would be discussing their participation at their next meeting. With regard to the membership, he wants to find out if he can go into the new program and make deletions. When the time comes that their membership lists agree, he will take over the Membership from Tom.

Newsletter:

Kevin said he had missed an article for which he apologized. He also told us that he had some complaints regarding jokes in the letter. Kevin and his wife stuffed the envelopes as Quest was closed until March 1. Ian thanked them on our behalf.

Health Benefits:

John told us that some of his inquiries indicate that executors or Notaries Public do not know of the benefits available to federal pensioners. Ian suggested that when Halle gets a death notice, she will contact John so he can follow up with the family. John will also place a list of relevant phone numbers in the Newsletter with the suggestion that it be placed with members wills. He will be giving a presentation on the CPP at the meeting tomorrow.

Telephone:

Cecile said everything had gone well, the phoners were great and it has been a good experience but there are still some hurdles to be smoothed out.

History:

Frank had nothing to report.

Old Business:

The Branch Regulations will be copied and distributed to the executive at the general meeting tomorrow.

With regard to our annual donations, it was decided to lower our sights to \$2,000.00 and Bill will have some suggestions for the next executive meeting.

New Business:

President's Meeting: Ian gave a brief report on the President's Conference held in Toronto at the end of February. He said there had been some discussion regarding the status of branches. He also told us that Al Dawber did an incredible amount of work on behalf of the Regional branches. There was an attempt to have the delegations to the Triennial Convention reduced but no agreement was reached. It will be discussed again at the Convention. Conventions are held every three years and President's Meetings are held every 18 months.

With regard to Medicare, no announcement has been made yet but premiums are unlikely to remain frozen and there might be some improvements to the benefits.

Ian said he considered the meeting to be quite valuable.

Phoners:

All the members of the Telephone Committee will be asked to meet immediately following the next executive meeting in April.

BBQ:

The date for our BBQ will be set at the April meeting.

Speaker:

Ian said he will try to have the RCMP representative talk to us again at the June meeting and is hoping to be able to arrange to have the Lieutenant Governor as our speaker for the September meeting.

After a discussion, it was decided not to put the Executive minutes on the Website.

John moved the meeting be adjourned.