



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL RETIREES**  
**North Vancouver Island – Branch BC06**

Executive Meeting – January 5, 2010

The President called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

In attendance were:

President	Cecile Turnbull	Vice President	Ian Sibbald
Secretary	Dorothy Lind	Treasurer	Tom Dandeno
Membership	Steve Bunyan	Programs	Barb Schneider
Welfare	Halle MacMullen	History	Frank Elvins
Media	John Davis	Telephone	Paddy O'Blenis
Benefits	Bill Turnbull	Director	Mary Kamaan
Director	Lauretta Hewitt	Director	Marjorie Arnold

Absent were:

Past President	Bill McSeveney	Newsletter	Kevin Weighill
Director	Karen Finn	Ass't Benefits	Doug Dunsmore

Copies of the last Executive meeting were not available so will be acted upon at the meeting in February.

Cecile asked Steve about the results of the survey at the General Meeting regarding the "lost members". He told us he was still getting some feedback and hoped to have a more comprehensive report for the next meeting. There was also some discussion about the residents of Casa Loma and their DDS membership payments so they don't become lost members. Our membership is 1959 – 1290 are regular members and 669 are spouses/partners.

**Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Tom reported a closing balance of \$34,978.04 and a deficit of \$164.46. He told us that the bank interest had not been added to the financial statement yet and that the deficit does not include the money to be sent to the National Office for their share of the dues. He also has 27 cheques waiting to be processed. The Executive Director at National Office has had forms prepared to be sent to the Branches quarterly regarding DDS paying members. He moved the acceptance of his report, seconded by John Davis. Carried.

**Benefits:** Bill pointed out to us that the PSHCP book has not been updated for some time and that the pension increase for 2010 is .5%.

**Programs:** Barb said that the Christmas luncheon went well. The dates for the general meetings in 2010 are March 10, June 9, September 15 and December 8. She had special words of thanks for Lauretta for all the help she had been in preparing for the meeting.

**Media:** John asked about a speaker for the March meeting. Cecile said she would get back to him on that. He also said the pictures taken at the December meeting are now in the album and some will soon be on the website.

**Welfare:** Halle said she has sent one card since her last report.

Telephone: Paddy said that she has two new volunteers for the Phone Committee. She is planning a meeting with the Committee following the next Executive meeting in February.

History: Frank said we had received a receipt, and a letter of thanks, from the Food Bank to the amount of \$158.26 for the cash donated at the Christmas meeting and that we had collected 6 boxes of food as well.

**Old Business:**

Tom said the Financial Review Committee would be meeting mid February and he would have The Financial Review report ready for the Executive meeting in March as well as for the General meeting in March.

Cecile expressed our thanks to Frank for the report he prepared regarding donations made in the past few years which appeared in the Newsletter. She asked if he would compile a brief history of the Branch.

**New Business:**

Cecile told us of a teleconference call with Julie Spencer, NBD, and John Finn on December 17<sup>th</sup> of last year.

There will be a meeting in Duncan on January 23<sup>rd</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> regarding a review of the By-laws. Cecile and Ian plan to attend.

The next Congress will be held in Halifax in 2010. FSNA will be celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2013 so plans are in the works for that.

Cecile would like us to have some suggestions regarding our annual donations for the next meeting. Ian suggested the Food Bank.

Melanie Hudson, National Office Manager of Branch Services has us looking at our Branch By-laws or administrative procedures, including Directors terms of office. She is conducting a survey regarding local awareness, including newspaper insertions, etc., resources and developing a volunteer recognition program. The deadline is March 31, 2010.

Cecile also suggested we have a contest to name our newsletter.

Cecile said she would follow up on the problem regarding the lost coat at the last General Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

Dorothy Lind  
Secretary

Cecile Turnbull  
President