

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL RETIREES

Vancouver Island North Branch 06

Executive Meeting April 5, 2011

Cecile called the meeting to order.

In attendance were:

President	Cecile Turnbull	Vice President	Ian Sibbald
Secretary	Dorothy Lind	Treasurer	Kathi Brown
Membership	Steve Bunyan	Programs	Barb Schneider
Telephone	Paddy O'Blenis	Media	John Davis
Benefits	Bill Turnbull	Historian	Frank Elvins
Welfare	Halle MacMullen	Director	Lauretta Hewitt
Director	Mary Kamann	Director	Marjorie Arnold
Director	Elizabeth Steeves	Director	Deborah Yelf

Absent were:

Past President	Bill McSeveney	Newsletter	Kevin Weighill
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It was moved by Ian Sibbald and seconded by Halle MacMullen that the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Kathi moved the acceptance of the report seconded by John Davis. Motion carried. Kathi said there were five no-shows at the general meeting who had not called to cancel. We were charged for 151 plates. They will be billed.

Membership: Membership cards are still being sent out. Late payers will be given the option to renew or cancel their membership.

Newsletter: Kevin has changed the cut-off dates for the newsletter to May 8th, August 14th and November 6th. Steve is doing the envelopes for the next issue now as he is going to be away. Deb will look after the mailing of the next issue. It was also decided to wait to receive an invoice from Canada Post and Kathy will do the cheque when it is received.

Benefits: Bill told us there is now no Health Benefits officer in the National Office so we have no contact in Ottawa. Elizabeth Steeves will handle benefit issues while Bill is away. If any of us receive a call regarding benefits we are to give them her phone number.

Programs: Barb said she was pleased with how well the general meeting catering was handled and thanked The Westerly. She also asked them if it was necessary to make other arrangements in the future to try to do it earlier so we can adapt and get the calls out to our membership. Barb and Paddy went to Crown Isle but have received no reply to date.

Media: John said the new posters can now be readily changed and information added as required. He will be following up on the day timers and fridge magnets discussed earlier so they will be available for the Christmas meeting.

Welfare: Halle said she had sent out 5 Get Well cards in March

Telephone: Paddy said the BBQ is scheduled to July 9th at Kin Beach picnic area. It has been booked and ice will be provided.

Historian: Frank said Tom had told him he had about 4 boxes of papers for him but they were not ready when he last talked to him. He will call him again.

Old business:

Cecile asked Halle what could be done to help her with sending out cards. Halle said it is difficult to find any Thinking-of-you cards but is presently getting some from a member. We discussed the possibility of

printing our own and were shown a sample of one done for the Legion. There will be follow up on that. Again the request was made that we call Halle if we hear of an illness or death of a member.

Our annual donation was discussed and several suggestions were made but the final decision was made to donate to the Free Masons Cancer Car. They provide a service to both the Comox Valley and the Campbell River area which is sorely needed. It was moved by Cecile and seconded by John that they receive our annual donation of \$1,000.00. The motion carried and the suggestion will be brought forward at the June general meeting.

Cecile thanked everyone for bringing forward our summaries of duties performed.

New Business:

The Christmas tickets are to be printed.

The By-law Committee has been appointed. The members will be Bill Turnbull, Cecile Turnbull, Ian Sibbald and Elizabeth Steeves.

Cecile moved that she be give a cheque for \$100.00 to cover our share of the cost of the caucus room which has been reserved for the BC delegation in Ottawa. Barb seconded and the motion carried.

Cecile said an invitation had been received to attend a National Board of Directors meeting in Victoria on September 12th and 13th, 2011. Rooms will be provided. Cecile and Bill will go. At present no one else has come forward so that can be decided later.

We will have our usual meeting in May and the executive luncheon meeting will be held in June.

The meeting was adjourned.

Dorothy Lind – Secretary

Cecile Turnbull, President