

# **FEDERAL SUPERANNUATES NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**

## **GENERAL MEETING - NORTH ISLAND BRANCH**

December 11, 2002

Bernie called the meeting to order with words of welcome to all the members present and to our special guests, Dunc and Lute Dunsmore, our Regional Director. He also thanked the staff of the Westerly for their work on our behalf.

Dunc said he was pleased to be with us and remarked on the size of the group. He gave us "Best Wishes" from Gabriola Island and Rex Guy, our National President sent his "Best Wishes". He also remarked on what a wonderful web site we have and on how easy it is to get around in there.

It was moved by Bill and seconded by Bryan that the minutes be accepted are presented. Carried.

### **Committee reports:**

**Treasurer:** Tom reported a financial balance to December 9, 2002 of \$20,198.14. All the DDS payments have been received and all payments due to the National office have been paid. One newsletter billing is outstanding. Tom moved the report be accepted, seconded by John. Carried.

**Membership:** Our membership stands at 1268 - 828 members and 440 spouses/partners. Not included in this tottal are four members and two spouses who were reinstated during the current insert campaign as well as thirteen new members and seven spouses. These will be added at years end. These are members who pay by cash; no report is available yet on DDS members added during this campaign. Tom moved the acceptance of his report. seconded by Ian. Carried.

**Telephone:** Joan thanked the phoners who did a wonderful job in getting so many out for this meeting.

**Welfare:** Halle said she had sent out 2 cards. She again asked that members let her know of an illness or death so she can respond properly.

**Programs:** Barb thanked everyone for their patience and said that we had 221 members in attendance. She thanked Velda, Halle and Yvonne for their help with the wrapping of the gifts. She also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Media:** No report.

**Historian:** No report.

**Health Benefits:** Steve said his experience with the Dental Plan and that of some others he has talked with was the same. A report of the work to be done was submitted and was refused. It was resubmitted and accepted. Don't give up on the first try. He also said he had 10 copies of a questionnair to be filled in for the V.O.N. and would like volunteers at the end of the meeting.

**Newsletter:** Ron wished one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year on behalf of the committee. He reminded us the web site is there to look at and to add to.

### **Business:**

Bernie announced that Len Paisley was holding a seminar at Crown Isle and the topic would be estate planning.

Dates for the General meetings for next year have been published.

The guest speaker for the March general meeting will be Tim Cowan from the Medicine Shop. He will be discussing drug costs and interactions, etc.

The 40th Anniversary celebrations will be held in Sidney. The formal dinner will be held at Dunsmuir Lodge. We have two tickets for sale at \$60.00 each.

Tom will accept the payment of dues at the front of the hall after the meeting.

Dunc also announced that we have 10,000 new members Canada wide as a result of this last campaign.

#### **Election of officers:**

The election of officers was conducted by Ian Sibbald. Following is the slate for 2003.

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| Past President  | Al Dawber         |
| President       | Bernie Poole      |
| Vice President  | Ian Sibbald       |
| Secretary       | Dorothy Lind      |
| Treasurer       | Tom Dandeno       |
| Historian       | Frank Elvins      |
| Media           | John Davis        |
| Newsletter      | Ron Mitchell      |
| Programs        | Barbara Schneider |
| Health Benefits | Steve Bunyan      |
| Telephone       | Audrey Clark      |
| Welfare         | Halle McMullen    |
| Director        | William McSeveney |
| Director        | Rick Paradie      |
| Director        | Joan Benner       |

The basket provided by Mike and Marj. Garipey was won by Clark Graham.

The draw for the Christmas gifts was conducted by Barb, Velda and Yvonne. With about 50 gifts provided, many in attendance were winners. A good time was had by all.

The meeting was adjourned.