

**Federal Superannuates National Association**  
**General Meeting - North Vancouver Island Branch**  
**December 14 2005**  
**Coast Westerly Hotel**

Ian called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. Attendance at this meeting was 310 people, the largest gathering we've ever had. The hotel had to provide extra rooms to accommodate lunch for all.

**Minutes of previous meeting (Sept 14 2005).** It was moved by Bill McSeveney and seconded by John Davis that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.as presented. MOTION CARRIED

**Treasurer's Report:** Presented by Tom Dandeno and circulated to the members present. Tom noted that because of computer problems at National Office in Ottawa, we have not yet received our dues payments (DDS). Moved by Tom Dandeno, seconded by Bernie Poole that the Treasurer's Report be adopted. MOTION CARRIED

**Membership Report:** As distributed by Tom Dandeno. Tom reported that there are 25 members currently paying by dues deductions at source (DDS) for whom we are getting money, but whom we've been unable to contact.

Moved by Tom Dandeno, seconded by Mary Kaaman that the Membership report be adopted. MOTION CARRIED

**Committee Reports:**

**Telephone Committee:** Ian informed the meeting that we have an urgent need for a volunteer to take over as telephone committee chair. Unless someone steps forward, the luncheon meetings cannot be held.

**Welfare:** Halle MacMullen reported that 5 cards have been sent out since the last meeting. She wished everyone present a Merry Christmas.

**Programs:** Barb Schneider reported that this is by far the largest crowd we've ever had at any of our meetings. She expressed thanks for the patience of members who agreed to lunch in the second room. She added that she had costed out other facilities such as the Filberg Centre, and the cost per meal would be significantly more, in the vicinity of \$25. per plate. Barb wished everyone present the best for the festive season.

**Media:** John had nothing to report.

**Historian:** Frank had nothing to report.

**Health Benefits Officer:** John Finn is away. No report

**Newsletter:** No Report.

**Business Arising from the Previous Meeting:** None

## **New Business:**

### **Election of Officers:**

Bill MacSeveney assumed the chair for this portion of the meeting: .

Bill noted that he, Barb Schneider, Mary Kaaman and Frank Elvins are not up for election this year. They will each begin the second year of a two year term. After nominations were called for each of the following positions, these members were acclaimed to the positions noted: President, Ian Sibbald; Secretary, Dorothy Lind; Treasurer, Tom Dandeno; Directors, Steve Bunyan, John Davis, Halle MacMullen, John Finn, Audrey Clark and Kevin Weighill. Bill added that the executive will appoint various Directors to positions as needed. According to our bylaws, only the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer are elected by the general membership. This concluded the election of officers, and Ian Sibbald resumed as chair.

**Telephone Committee:** Ian reminded members of the urgent need for a person to chair the Telephone Committee. If nobody steps forward, the luncheons may have to be curtailed.

**Swearing In of 2006 Executive:** Regional Director Al Dawber conducted a ceremony swearing in the members of the 2006 Branch Executive. Al noted that it was 13 years ago when the Branch started and he was President, the membership was much, much smaller. It is good to see the growth between then and now. Al added by way of information that the National Board of Directors has approved an additional \$10,000. to be used for legal fees in the pension case, which is now before the courts. Resolution will take some time.

**50/50 Draws:** Congratulations to 50/50 winners Josie Debruyne, Cecille Turnbull, Betty Crich, Kathlyn Semple, and Sam Fatt.

**Gift Certificates:** were won by Bob Clarke, Yettie Edwards, Bill Mazey, and Ellen Stadel.

**Visit from Santa Claus:** An unexpected visit from Santa Claus completed the meeting. Santa spent time with us and gave out some neat gifts to those with lucky ticket numbers.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 2:12 pm



**IAN SIBBALD**, from the Federal Superannuites National Association, presents a cheque for \$1,000 to Marg Hind of the Therapeutic Riding Association while horse Sunny looks on.