

FEDERAL SUPERANNUATES NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
General Meeting - Vancouver Island North
December 13, 2006

The meeting opened with the singing of "O Canada" led by Margaret Crites.

There were no minutes of the last general meeting on the tables as the printer was down. They will be brought forward at the next General meeting.

Treasurer's report: Tom reported a closing balance of \$25810.78 and a deficit for the year to November 30, 2006 of \$2095.67. The final quarterly DDS cheque, estimated at about \$2100.00, will not be received from National Office until January 2007.

Membership Report: We have 1074 regular members and 583 spouses/partners to November 30, 2006 for a total of 1657. No word has been received from the National Office regarding new members from the current membership campaign.

Committee Reports:

Programs: Barb thanked those who helped bring the meeting together and wished all a Merry Christmas.

Media: No report

History: No report

Webmaster: Steve said all was well with the web site.

Welfare: Halle said she had sent out 4 cards. She thanked the phone committee for contacting her regarding illnesses or bereavements discovered while they were making the phone calls. She also wished one and all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Benefits: John said he has received several calls regarding income splitting. The bill has not yet received Royal Assent and will not be in effect until the 2007 Income Tax year. The age credit increase also has not received Royal Assent but it is scheduled for January 1, 2006. He also said he still has some Estate Documents.

Telephone: Cecile thanked the Committee for their usual good work. She also wished all a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and good health.

Following the reports, Ian introduced Dennis Jackson, the National President, who was our special guest.

It was moved by Bryan Lind and seconded by Andre Melanson that \$10,000.00 be allocated to the Defensive Benefits Fund. Motion Carried.

Election of officers followed. Bill McSeveney was acclaimed Vice President for another two year term and the Directors Barbara Schneider, Mary Kamann, Frank Elvins and Doug Runchey were acclaimed for a two year term. Cecile Turnbull was acclaimed for a one year term. The swearing in of the new executive was carried out by Dennis Jackson.

Dennis Jackson then spoke to us. He said that the Public Service Health Care Plan was the first payer in Nova Scotia and that Ontario had considered going that way but have since decided against it.

He discussed some points in the new Governance plan and told us that Jean-Guy Souliere is to retire as Executive Director in August of 2007.

The National web site has been redesigned and is much improved.

With regard to Bill C-78, the court will be sitting in February of 2007 and there should be a decision before the Convention in August of 2007. If it is sent to the Supreme Court, it could take another five years to get a decision.

The present Triennial Convention will be replaced by annual Congresses of the Regional Representatives rather than the delegate system we now use.

He said he would run again in 2007. He also said that a complete slate of officers would be elected in 2007 when the new governance system is implemented.

Al Dawber, our Regional Director, told Denis that we were happy to have him with us at this time and Ian wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He thanked everyone for coming out.

Following the business, the draws were made and the meeting adjourned with the arrival of Santa Clause.