



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL RETIREES
Vancouver Island North - BC Branch 06
Executive Meeting – April 4, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Bill.

Those in attendance were:

Bill Turnbull	President	Dorothy Lind	Secretary
Serge Gosselin	Treasurer	Steve Bunyan	Membership
Frank Elvins	Historian	Barb Schneider	Programs
Paddy O'Brien	Telephone	Deborah Yelf	Welfare
John Davis	Media	Kevin Weighill	Newsletter
Mary Kamann	Director	Halle MacMullen	Director
Marjorie Arnold	Director		

Absent were:

Ian Sibbald	Past President	Laurie Hewitt	Director
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Under OLD BUSINESS and referring to the advertisement in Keeping in Touch, the minutes are amended to read "Payment has NOT been received". It was then moved by Steve and seconded by Deborah that the minutes be accepted as amended. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: To March 31, 2013, Serge reported total income as \$9,942.05, total expenses as \$8,451.75 with a balance of \$1,490.30. Serge moved the adoption of his report, seconded by Kevin. Motion carried.

Membership: Steve told us we have 1430 members and 749 spouses for a total of 2179. He also said that 43 members have not renewed for 2013 and they will be dropped from the membership list at the end of the month if payment is received. We have also gained 47 new members since January 1. He also asked us to amend our membership list as Joan Webber – 9961871 – is now Joan Carter. He will be away in June and the web site is up to date but for the pictures.

Newsletter: Kevin had nothing to report at this time.

Benefits: Bill said that things have been quiet.

Programs: Barb said she was very disappointed in the turn-out of only 106 at the meeting. It was the lowest she has seen in her thirteen years. She also submitted her resignation.

Media: John said that he had nothing to report except that he was submitting his resignation.

Welfare: Deb said that she had sent out 6 sympathy cards.

Telephone: Paddy said that all went well.

History: Frank said that all was well and that he has resigned.

Following the committee reports, Bill opened a discussion regarding the "turmoil" experienced in the last seven months and the cause of so many resignations. Several examples of discomfort and stress were illustrated and the topic was closed.

New Business:

We could find no clear reason for the sudden decline in attendance at this general meeting.

It was moved by Kevin and seconded by Paddy that sale of tickets for the Christmas meeting be continued.

A Tri-Regional meeting is being held in Chilliwack May16/17. There will be training sessions and by-laws and advocacy discussions. We are allowed to send four members. Bill and Cecile will be attending as well as Steve. The Branch pays the travel expenses for our members but Cecile has her own budget as RSO.

Jason Gordon, as Audiologist, has volunteered to speak at one of our meeting as has Len Paisley.

At present, cheque signing authority is delegated to Serge, Bill and Ian. It was moved by Kevin and seconded by Halle that this be approved by the Board. Motion carried.

Bill said that he had been talking to Bill McSeveney who told him that we had revised our by-laws in 2003 subject to the approval of the National office, which was received. However, he has not been able to unearth a copy of such by-laws. The NBOD has been working on the by-laws to bring them into line with the federal Non-Profit rules for associations so ours will also have to be amended to conform.

He distributed copies of the proposed budget for 2013.

New name tags will have to be ordered but we would like them to be done with the new FSNA logo. It was moved by Paddy and seconded by Kevin that a print of the new logo be obtained from Ottawa so the tags can be ordered.

Bill then mentioned a letter to the M.L.A.'s of the Branch region which had been drafted by John Finn regarding The National Pharmacy Strategy as well as the National Home Care/Long Term Care Strategy. There was no objection from the Board to sending this letter to election candidates but that should wait until the Writ has been dropped on April 16.

Frank and John asked Bill to try to find some place to store the gazebos they presently are caring for. The possibility of selling them was raised so the subject was tabled to allow for more time to consider their placement.

Kevin said he will continue his membership on the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.

Dorothy M. Lind – Retiring Secretary

Bill Turnbull – President.

Comox, B. C.
April 3, 2013

To whom it may concern:

I have thoroughly enjoyed my eight years as a Director but the last seven months have been very stressful and I find I would prefer not to continue.

I therefore am resigning effective 1530 hours on April 4, 2013.

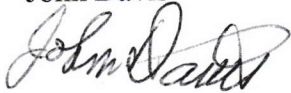
Halle MacMullen

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To whom it may concern:

After many years as the Media Director for the local Board, I have decided it is time for me to step aside and to turn in the camera. I therefore tender my resignation.

John Davis

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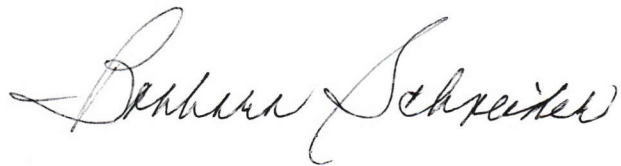
Comox, B. C.
April 4, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with regret that I am resigning as Program Director and a member of the Board of Directors.

I have enjoyed my 13 years in that position but for the last 6 months. With the turmoil in the Branch, I have lost my enthusiasm and trust. As a result, I feel it is time for me to go.

Barbara Schneider

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3 April 2013

To - President FSNA Branch 06

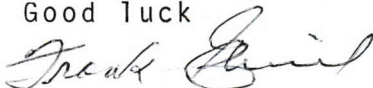
From - F Elvins, Executive/Historian Branch 06

Subject - My resignation

This letter advises the President of my resignation effective at the adjournment of the Executive meeting 4 April 2013. The turmoil for the last seven months as to appointing/election for a President has had a deterative effect on the membership as was indicated by the low turn-out at the March 13 luncheon. Unfortunately the Branch seems to be heading in the same failure mode as occurred before, where one group try to run the Branch and elect a President. With over 19 years on the Executive I have had enough.

The History material is in order and available to my successor. Also in storage at my residence is the small 'GAZEBO' which the Branch purchased, will you arrange a storage place for same.

Good luck

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Frank Elvins', written in dark ink.

Frank Elvins

Comox, B. C.
April 4, 2013

To whom it may concern:

Because of the situation with Jack and the problem of getting Jack ready for luncheons and getting to meetings, I am taking my name off the Directors list.

We certainly will attend the luncheons when we can, however.

Laurie Hewitt

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. L. Hewitt". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the printed name "Laurie Hewitt".