

CFUW West Vancouver General Meeting
Monday, October 16, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
Venue: Westerleigh Parc, 725 22nd Street, West Vancouver

Minutes

1. **Meet and Greet**

From 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. a “meet and greet” took place with Helen McCrindle who displayed her Canada 150 tapestry “A Stitch in Time”.

2. **Welcome**

Co-President Phyllis Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked Deborah Spicer to introduce Helen McCrindle. Deborah referred to the origin of the tapestries. In 2014, the Embroiderers Association of Canada toured Rideau Hall in Ottawa and discovered that there were no textile displays. Helen McCrindle was asked to create some textile art that could be on display at Rideau Hall. Helen McCrindle explained that she met with textile artists in Vancouver who agreed to have the 50 guilds of embroiderers in Canada work on two panels, one for the east and one for the west. The panels would depict Canada as it is on its 150th birthday in 2017. The two panels were displayed and reviewed by Helen McCrindle. Once the panels are completed, the aim is to have them hung in Rideau Hall in Ottawa.

3. **Guest Speaker**

Kim Collett introduced the guest speaker, John Lumer, who spoke on electoral reform. John Lumer spoke and showed a Power Point presentation entitled “Making Your Vote Count”. He outlined the three principles of democracy and showed how each of the principles are no longer present in our current system of voting where there are more than two candidates. The three principles are:

- Majority rule;
- Every vote is equal; and
- Freedom to choose.

He used the results of the 2015 federal election to show the need for electoral reform and the need for representational voting.

After a question and answer period, Jon Lumer was thanked by Marilyn Scambos for his presentation.

4. **Business Meeting**

a) Agenda

One item was added to the Agenda as circulated. The addition was “Aging Out of Care” scholarships. Motion to accept the Agenda with the addition was moved by Selma-Jo Richards, seconded by Nancy Smith.

CARRIED

b) Minutes of September 18, 2017 General Meeting

Motion to approve the September 18, 2017 Minutes as circulated by Nancy Smith, seconded by Jancis Andrews.

CARRIED

c) Old Business

i) Survey on GWI Proposed Dues Raise

Co-President Phyllis Scott reviewed the background to the GWI proposed dues increase of \$8.40 CDN; answered questions concerning the survey questions; and then called for a vote on the answers to the 3 questions. Question 3 concerns the GWI Triennial dues decision. The membership present voted as follows:

- Question 1: Do you support motion to amend?
– Answer: **Yes**
- Question 2: Do you support any increase in GWI dues?
– Answer: **Yes**
- Question 3: Do you support affirming that decision?
– Answer: **No**

The vote was 16 in favour with 2 abstentions and no votes in the negative.

ii) CFUW WV Financial Policy #9

The recommendation from the Executive to amend Financial Policy #9 was reviewed by Co-President Phyllis Scott and voted on by the membership. The new Financial Policy #9 as approved is:

“9. The purpose of fundraising shall be to support CFUW goals. No funds raised outside club meetings shall be used for club operations. Fundraising money (excluding Gaming Licensed Raffles) shall be deposited as follows: Amounts raised for scholarship shall be deposited in the Education Trust Account; and other amounts shall be deposited in the General Account. If an Interest Group raises money, then it may designate a recipient and inform the Interest Group Convenor. (If there is any question about destination, the Club President(s) and the CFUW Interest Group Convenor will consult.) Money raised by an Interest Group will be reported on a separate line on the financial statements.”

CARRIED

d) Treasurer's Report

Babs Perowne reported that the total assets in the general account is \$11,250.00; the total assets in the Education Trust Account is \$2,311.00; and the total assets in the Gaming Account is \$18,053.00.

e) Publications

Babs Perowne reported that the paper directory for 2017-2018 is available for distribution.

f) Publicity

Sheonaid Kuchera reported on publicity for CFUW WV. She recently wrote an article for a newspaper in Dundarave on the Club. She notifies the North Shore News of upcoming general meetings and speakers. She distributed 17 posters on Club activities from Gleneagles to Park

Royal. Distribution included recreation centres, churches and municipal buildings. She will investigate a new newspaper for the North Shore that was reported to her by a member present at the meeting.

g) Membership

Deborah Stephan reported there would be a newcomer's reception in November; the date and venue to be confirmed.

h) New Business (BFit and iPad)

Co-President Phyllis Scott advised that the Executive discussed how the iPad and the BFit offer would be made available to a club member(s). The plan is to offer the iPad as an item on the Christmas Silent Auction and to have a draw for the BFit offer at the end of the November meeting with those present eligible for the draw. Members present expressed support for this plan.

i) 100th Anniversary Scholarship

Co-President Phyllis Scott advised that there would be a recommendation for the disposition of the \$500.00 in the budget for the 100th Anniversary Scholarship at the November general meeting.

j) Aging Out of Care Scholarship

Eleanor Scarth reported that one of the 2017 recipients of the Aging Out of Care Scholarship has not enrolled in a post-secondary course, so is not eligible to receive the scholarship. An alternate recipient who is enrolled at a fashion course at Kwantlen University has been identified.

Motion to pay the scholarship to the alternate who has been identified by Margaret Ramsay, seconded by Kim Collett.

CARRIED

5. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. by Phyllis Scott, seconded by Deborah Spicer.

CARRIED

Phyllis Scott, Co-President

Judith Anderson, Secretary