

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL RETIREES
WESTERN MANITOBA BRANCH MB30
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Senior for Seniors Co-op, 311 Park Ave E.

May 1, 2018

Attending: Brett Turner (President), Terry Gunnlaugson (Past President), Linda Dueck (Treasurer), Shirley Curtis (Secretary), Mac Estabrooks (Director), Lloyd Curtis (Director), Edna Wells (Director), Susan Gunnlaugson (Director), Garnet Shearer (Branch Reporter/Director)
Regrets - , Garnet Carvey (2ndVP)

1. Call to order - Brett called the meeting to order at 11:33.
2. Agenda - Brett presented the Agenda for approval. seconded by Rhonda. CARRIED
3. Introduction of guests - Brett introduced Bill Merchel, RSO and Gerry Jennings - Regional Advocacy Officer.
4. Remembrance of Members - A moment of silence was held for Members who have passed away since the last meeting.
5. Approval of January 9, 2018 Minutes and business arising. - The minutes were distributed and Shirley moved they be accepted, seconded by Rhonda. CARRIED. Business arising - the volunteer who was to become the new secretary found herself unable to do so.
6. Election - 1st Call for Nominees - Mac spoke about the need for volunteers for 4 positions on the board. The most pressing was that of Secretary. Rhonda Mathers volunteered to fill the position. No other volunteers.
7. Correspondence - We received a letter from the Royal Canadian Legion asking us to lay a wreath at Decoration Day, June 3 2018 and Remembrance Day November 11th. Louise Albertson, who comes from a military family, volunteered to do this.
8. 2nd Call for nominees - To further inform Members about the duties of an Advocacy person, Gerry Jennings, the Regional Advocacy officer spoke. Brett Caswell volunteered to become our Branch Advocacy Director.
9. Branch Report - Brett gave our Branch report - Brett and Terry will be attending the Regional meeting in Edmonton on May 9 and 10th. Brett and one other will be attending the National Meeting in Ottawa on June 19 to 21. He also informed the meeting of a Board decision that if we do not have a full slate of Directors and Executive members by May next year, the Board will submit a motion to close this branch. To try to increase membership, the Board will host two coffee meetings: northern (perhaps Dauphin or Riding Mountain) and the southern (perhaps Killarney) parts of the territory to meet with retirees.

10. Treasurers report - Linda distributed the current financial statements and answered questions. Terry moved they be accepted as presented. Seconded by Garnet Shearer. Carried. The Audited/Reviewed financial statements for 2017 showing Net Earnings of \$565.82 were presented.

11. Guests - Bill Merchel spoke of his duties and expressed the need to expand the membership and volunteers. Gerry Jennings expanded his earlier talk by stressing the need to keep in touch with local politicians to further our advocacy roll for all seniors.

12. 3rd call for nominees - none - Mac suggested we revisit this after lunch and the presentation.

13. Swearing in of the Board - Bill Merchel stated that it is no longer required to swear in new Board members.

14. New Business - Wayne Clayton informed the group that there is an Electrical Vehicle Information Session upcoming on June 2nd at the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum Canteen at the Brandon regional Airport.

15. Lunch

16. Speaker - Melanie Hellier of the Regional Health Authority gave an interesting and informative presentation on Stress for Seniors.

12 Final call for nominees - Mac called again for volunteers to fill two positions on the board. Both Dorothy Caswell and Val Zoerb volunteered. Motion to close nominations by Wayne Clayton. Seconded by Velma McComb. CARRIED. The four new board members introduced themselves to the membership.

17. Door Prizes - attendance draw - Louise Albertson
50/50 draw - \$39 - Garnet Shearer.

18. Our next meetings are - Executive - October 2, 2018 General Meeting - Oct 16, 2018

Wayne Clayton moved the meeting be adjourned at 1:30.

Approved by Brett Turner, President
Submitted by Shirley Curtis - Secretary