

Branch Board Meeting Minutes
ZOOM Videoconference
March 8, 2022

Branch web site <https://www.federalretirees.ca/Bluewater>

Present -

President - Chris Hawksworth
Treasurer - Diane Kerr
Director of Membership - Bill Mason
Recruitment and Engagement Director - Shawn
Barker
Outreach Coordinator - Pat Mason
IT and Web Site Coordinator - Doug Kerr
Member at Large - Murray Lester
Secretary - Robert Jackson

Regrets -

Advocacy Chair - Gloria Cayea

President Chris Hawksworth opened the meeting at 1:00 pm.

The meeting began with an overview discussion of the upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM). To date 6 members have responded to the e-mail blast and call outs. A second e-mail blast and more calls will follow. **Pat** will place notices in our local community papers.

The meeting discussed a motion to cover a portion of the AGM meal costs for the membership. The Branch will cover \$7 leaving the cost of lunch for the membership at \$5. **Motion carried.**

Shawn agreed to chair the Nomination Committee and to coordinate nominations from the floor during the AGM. To date there

have been no firm commitments from anyone for the President or Treasurer positions.

The meeting discussed options of continuing without a President or Treasurer. Under the by-laws a President can be appointed for a period of one year by the Board. If there is no President elected or appointed the Branch will likely be merged with another Branch. If there is no Treasurer, National Office can act as the Branch Treasurer however they will charge a fee (e.g. 10% of the Branch's portion of the membership fees) for that service.

Diane requested the Board accept the Budget as amended during the previous Board meeting of February 8, 2022. **Motion carried.**

The Board discussed how to recognize our callers and proposed paying for the meals of callers and guest at a future meeting.

The Board noted the quorum for the AGM is 20 members.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.