

NAFR York Branch Meeting (hybrid Zoom & in person)**09:45 – 11:10 AM October 4, 2022****Aurora Legion, 105 Industrial Parkway, Aurora Ontario**

Present in Person: Fred Conway, President; Tom Nichols, Past President/Treasurer; Marie MacPhee, Events; Frank Froude, Web Editor; Ed Millar, Recording Secretary. **Via Zoom;** Linda Laffree, Membership; Sharon Carson, Advocacy; Vasdev Sawhney, Joe Vettese, Directors-at-Large.

Regrets: Sharon Paris, Director-at-Large.

1. Review and Approval of the Agenda: Approval moved by Marie, seconded by Frank.

2. Review and Approval of the Minutes of September 13, 2022: Approval moved by Tom, seconded by Sharon Carson.

3. Action Items from the Minutes of Sept. 13, 2022.

(a) Equipment Storage: Marie to check if the location (Legion) rented by York Branch have storage space. Generally felt that storage should be close to meeting place.

(b) Purchase of Screen: No decision made.

4. Reports:

(a) President:

(i) SMM and VP Elections: Fred participated in SMM. General comment that people not acting in the interest of the organization. Comments by Simon poorly received even resented. Large branches generally vote as a block. Technical problems plagued the meeting.

(ii) District Meeting October 24: No agenda as yet. Likely a ZOOM meeting.

(b) Treasurer: No changes from last report. Sharon Carson moved, seconded by Marie that Tom be authorized to purchase a second computer.

(c) Membership: Linda spoke to her report circulated prior to the meeting. Total members 946, 2 new from last report, 4 unpaid non DDS, 5 deceased although one from a previous year and 24 lost contacts.

(d) Web Site Editor: Frank outlined problems updating the web site, especially home page, requiring assistance from National Office. May send comments to National Office outlining issues with site especially a shorter web site link. All members were asked to log on to site and provide comments. A link to the site will be put in SAGE. With sites listed alphabetically York Branch is at the end of listings.

(e) Advocacy: Sharon Carson reported that a number of electoral boundaries (York/Simcoe) are going to change which may impact York Branch membership.

5. FMM Plans: Marie circulated the e-blast invitation along with the proposed Agenda and check list prior to the meeting.

(a) Agenda: The Board reviewed and suggested changes to the proposed Agenda.

(b) Venue – Hybrid, Roles: Richvale Community Centre, 160 Avenue Rd Richmond Hill. Marie used the checklist to identify roles for FMM. Tom with Frank to set up Audio Visual. Linda to provide a list of members. Sharon Carson to work the registration desk. A door prize and a recruitment prize of \$100.00 each to be offered. No 50/50 draw. Sharon Paris to bring name tags.

(c) Refreshments: Marie to look into and purchase sandwiches and paper plates. Ed to arrange for coffee, tea, cups and juice (tetra packs).

(d) Speaker (Igor Klibanov) Tom to introduce and thank. No gift.

(e) E-blast: Marie to circulate for comment.

6. Lunch Subsidy: Discussion around 30% of membership with SAGE representing 10%. Risk of going over could be GST on dues. To be discussed further at the November meeting.

Items 7., 8., 9., not discussed.

10. Next Board Meeting: ZOOM 09:30 AM November 1, 2022.

11. Adjournment: Moved by Sharon Carson.