

BC09 BOD MEETING MINUTES

Date: Feb 7, 2023	Time: 9:00	Location: Legion
In Attendance: Patricia Francis, Diana Grant, Anne Jolicoeur, Michael Jolicoeur, Libby MacRae, Sue Martin, Shirley Roberts, David Stinson, Gordon Usipiuk, Ray Webber		
Approval of Agenda:		M/ David S/ Patricia C

President's Report: Libby reported that she has received a number of emails from Renate Sutherland, Advocacy Program Officer for the District regarding priorities for the association, a new strategic objective is ageism.

District Director, Brian Strongman will complete his term at the Annual Members Meeting (AMM) in June 2023 and nominations are being received at National Office for his replacement. Michael reported that the regional Branch Services Coordinator, Rick Devlieger is stepping down as well. There is a search campaign underway for his replacement.

The AMM will take place in Gatineau June 20 to 22, 2023. Libby will attend and the branch will send one or two observers depending on how many are allowed. Award recommendations have been requested by the NO.

The District meeting will take place in Abbotsford May 16 to 18, 2023.

AGENDA ITEMS	ACTION
Approval Minutes Previous BOD Meeting	M/Sue S/ Ray C
AGM March 14, 2023 Future Branch Meetings Validate Annual Calendar	Issues with the Legion network mean we won't be able to view the documentary Golden on ageism. Patricia will contact either Lisa at Volunteer Victoria or the Victoria Police for a Fraud presentation. Financial Statements will be presented at the AGM and will be circulated to the board. Bylaw changes will be presented. Discussions regarding board and branch meetings occurred. Board meetings – first Tuesday of each month September to June. The start time has been modified to 10:00 a.m. Branch meetings – second Tuesday of the month January, March, September, October and December. October 2023

	will be changed to Oct 17 for the 60 th anniversary celebration.
60 th Anniversary Celebration – Oct 17 2023	October 17, 2023 is confirmed as the date for the branch anniversary celebration. Michael confirmed that NO has no event planned for October 16 th . Patricia will arrange visits to the three venues, Four Points Sheraton, Olympic View Golf Club and Church & State Winery. Diana suggested the Naden Band for entertainment. Michael reminded the board in light of the webinar on member benefits that we would be remiss if we are not mindful of the costs in determining our final venue.
Branch Communication Strategy	Gordon raised the question of a communication strategy for contacting branch members who do not receive email communications (approx.1,000). We publish a Branch Report in each SAGE publication to retain contact with these members.
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. National Webinar on Member Benefits	The webinar detailed allowable member benefits which are limited to \$10.00 per member per year.
REPORTS	ACTION
Advocacy	Libby reported that Diana and Gordon are interested in advocacy. There is a possibility of an election in 2024. Long term care standards have been released are not mandatory.
Health Benefits	Pensioners' Dental Plan is currently under review. PSHCP has been finalized but there is some concern regarding the physiotherapy limit.
Membership	Ray reported no updates.
Recruitment/Retirement Seminars	Sue reported no updates but will continue to attempt contact.
Speakers Program	Patricia will arrange a speaker for the AGM to speak at 10:00 a.m.

Website – Victoria & National	Anne reported the websites are up to date.
Treasurer	Sue circulated copies of the proposed reserves and budget.
Preferred Partners Program	Gordon reported on discussions with Tony on the local preferred partners program. He will contact those with existing memoranda of understanding (MOU) and confirm status. Gordon discussed the discounts available to veterans and specifically through the Legion. He would like to approach National Office with a view to similar programs.
Business Transactions	M/ Sue S/ Anne C
Roundtable	MARPAC Expo March 2 2023, Naden Gym Seniors Expo March 21 2023, Pearkes Recreation.

Next Meeting	March 7, 2023
Adjournment	M/ Michael