

Bluewater Branch ON 36 Board Meeting February 4, 2020 - 1200 Nick's Restaurant

MINUTES

President - Christopher Hawksworth. Present
Vice President - Earnie MacDougall. Regrets
Past President - Gloria Cayea. Regrets
Treasurer - Diane Kerr. Present
Program Coordinator - Vacant
IT and Web Site Coordinator - Doug Kerr. Present
Secretary - Robert Jackson. Regrets
Director of Membership - Bill Mason. Present
Outreach Coordinator - Pat Mason. Present
Member at Large - Georgina MacIssac. Regrets
Member at Large - Diana Wright. Regrets
Member at Large - Murray Lester. Regrets
Recruitment & Engagement Director - Christopher Hawksworth (until filled)

1. Welcome
2. Minutes from last Board meeting
Minutes from the last meeting were reviewed
3. Approval of minutes
Minutes were approved
4. Communication In/Out
Various email communication among Branch members were discussed for interest
5. Treasurer's Report - 2020 Budget approval
 - a. The Treasurer updated the table on Branch financial standing. Discussion around the 2020 projected budget. A vote to approve was taken, however due to the non- quorum, an email will be sent to the Board members to review and approve by COB , February 5, 2020. Note: the Board approved the budget by email vote on that day,

6. Membership Update
 - a. The Director updated the table as to current Branch membership.
Total members - 545
Some members are still sending annual dues to the Director, it is recommended that they send their annual dues directly to the National Office.
7. Advocacy update: Nothing to report
8. Events update: Outreach Coordinator reported on the past bowling day, a good success. Some discussion on whether the Branch should organize a sail on the "Duc d'Orleans" in June 2020. We will investigate costs and apply to NO for a grant. Two lunches coming up, one in February and the AGM/lunch in April.
9. New business: The Board recognizes the need to do some long range planning for the Bluewater Branch. The need for new volunteers is paramount, and a direction for the future is required. Further discussion will be necessary on this topic.
10. February 19, 2020 lunch/meeting - Sarnia

Adjourn

Next Branch Board Meeting - March 24, 2020, Nick's Restaurant