



National Association of Federal Retirees Association nationale
des retraités fédéraux

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National Association of Federal Retirees Ottawa Valley Branch

Annual General Meeting April 29, 2015

Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Moment of Silence, singing of "O Canada"
- Recording of Members Present
- Approval of Agenda
- Introduction of Guests and Ottawa Valley Branch Board of Directors
- Speaker Presentation –
 - Greg Killough, Heart and Stroke Foundation
- Introduction of Display Presenters
- Introduction of National Directors
- Lunch
- Official Business of the 2015 Annual General Meeting
 - Minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting
 - Business Arising from the Minutes
 - Treasurer's Report and Presentation of 2014 Financial Statements
- End of Official Business
- Reports of Officers
 - President – Steve Fahie
 - Membership – Steve Fahie
 - Health Benefits Officer – Ed Rockburne
 - Branch Report – Judy Buehler
 - Donations Committee – Judy Buehler
- Nominations for Directors
- Election of Officers
- New Business
 - Branch Name Change
- Door Prizes
- Adjournment



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**Federal Superannuates National Association
Ottawa Valley Branch
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
14 May 2014
Almonte Civitan Club**

- 1. Call to Order**
President Steve Fahie called the meeting to order at 10:00.
- 2. Moment of Silence for our departed members and safety of our Armed Forces, followed by singing of 'O Canada', led by Ed Chenard.**
- 3. Recording of Members Present**
Judy confirmed 128 members registered in attendance. Total was later revised to 134.
- 4. Approval of Agenda**
With amendment to move Branch Editor's Report forward, motion to approve amended agenda by Ed Chenard, seconded by Donna Nield. Passed.
- 5. Introduction of Guests and Ottawa Valley Board of Directors**
President Steve introduced Greville Price (Regional Service Officer for Ottawa-St. Lawrence-Nunavut Region) and Fred Lyle (National Director for Ontario and Nunavut Region), followed by the current Board of Directors:
President: Steve Fahie
Vice-President & Treasurer: Ed Chenard
Secretary: Lynda Smith
Webmaster & Membership: Steve Fahie
Branch Report Editor: Judy Buehler
Director: Bill Irwin
(Regrets: Past President Chuck Parent; Health Benefits Officer Ed Rockburne)
(Absent: Jim Piché).
Static display presenters were also welcomed.
- 6. Speaker Presentation: OPP's Seniors Take Charge**
President Steve introduced Constable Sean Trehan (Community Services Officer with Lanark County OPP). Constable Trehan presented an informative session on how Srs. can avoid the numerous scams circulating (computer; phone; door-to-door, etc.) Audience interaction clearly reinforced the need to **TAKE AWAY THE OPPORTUNITY**. Reporting incidents to CANADIAN FRAUD CENTRE at **1-888-495-8501** was also stressed. A video, presenting actual frauds was shown.



7. Introduction of Display Presenters

President Steve then introduced: Johnson Insurance rep – Shawn McCord; Alzheimer Society – Robin Hull (Education & Support Coordinator); Mills Community Support – Jan Watson; Champlain CCAC – Robin Lowry (Community Engagement Coordinator); Bayshore Home Health – Lori Lachance (Area Director); and Perth Classic Theatre - Matthew Behrens. Each of the presenters briefly explained their roles in the community.

8. Lunch

9. Minutes of 2013 Annual General Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Ed Sonnenburg and seconded by Helen Lajeunesse. Passed.

10. Business arising from the Minutes

None.

11. Reports

President's Report: Steve summarized his report (included in AGM package), by highlighting: increase of PSHP contribution (100% over 4 years); work to comply with new "Not For Profit Corporations Act" and possible rebranding of FSNA; Br. Fall Mtg.

Treasurer's Report: Steve presented 2013 audited Financial Report, showing actual members' equity of \$25,218.98. Motion to accept by Steve Fahie, seconded by Donna Nield Palmer. Passed.

Membership Report: Ed Chenard advised current membership stood at 1718 at the end of 2013. Dues deducted at source (through DDS) were recommended to reduce Branch costs. Full report is included in AGM package.

Health Benefits Officer: Ed Rockburne's report summarizes the role of HBO.

Branch Report Editor: Judy Buehler provided a summary of 2013 Br. Reports, and reminded members to contact her directly with topics for future articles.

Donation Committee: J. Bueher's report included contribution supporting Branch AED Initiative, and annual Br. representation at Remembrance Day services in area.

12. Nominations for Directors

Greville Price (Regional Service Officer) reinforced the need for more volunteers and then called for nominations from the floor.

13. Election of Officers

Receiving no nominations from the floor, motion by Charlotte Farmer that members Ed Chenard, Lynda Smith; Bill Irwin; Ed Rockburne (in absentia) and Jim Piche (in absentia) stand for another term. Motion seconded by Merla Lawruk. Passed.

President Steve then completed the gift draws. Winners included: (car blankets donated by Johnson Insur.) – Pat Sadler and Margaret Bahm; Viateur Secours; Pauline



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Ferdinand; Gerald Cere; Brian Kealey; Norma Davidson; Donna Collette; Paul Swimmings; George Linden; Shieley Wieler; Andree Tremblay; Peggy Gallipeau; Louise Ross; Bill Koops; Tim Pullen; Audrey Kealey

14. Adjournment

With no further business, Steve made a motion to adjourn at 2:00 p.m. Passed.

(Minutes prepared by Lynda Smith, Secretary)

(Reviewed by Steve Fahie, President)

Steve Fahie



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Proposal:

Be it proposed that the official name of the organization be changed from “Federal Superannuates National Association, Ottawa Valley Branch” to “National Association of Federal Retirees, Ottawa Valley Branch”. This new name would be reflected in the current by-law document under Article 1.1, such that it will state:

ARTICLE 1 – TITLE

1.1 – The title of this organization shall be the National Association of Federal Retirees, Ottawa Valley Branch.

Originator: Steve Fahie, Branch President

Background:

The national organization, under which we operate, has changed the official name to “National Association of Federal Retirees” in July of 2014, at the same time as new National bylaws were accepted by Industry Canada, to comply with the new Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act. As such, the old name of “Federal Superannuates National Association” is no longer valid.

The Branch has not completed a review of Branch bylaws to bring them up to date and ensure they are compliant with the new National bylaws. Changes to our bylaws will be presented at the 2016 Annual General Meeting.

The change of name at this time is to clarify the name of the Branch for banking purposes. The Royal Bank of Canada, where we maintain our chequing account is objecting to acceptance of cheques for the Branch under two different names. We have had to make special temporary arrangements with the bank to accept cheques written to either name.

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