

B.C. SENIOR LIBERALS' COMMISSION EXECUTIVE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, November 9, 2016, 1:15 pm

LPCBC OFFICES--#460, 580 HORNBY STREET, VANCOUVER, B.C.

Minutes of Meeting

1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Present: Rabi Alam (Chair)

Gail Rochester Jean Lewandowski Luke Lewandowski
Alan Lowe Don Currie

1.2 Identify Members Participating by Telephone

Doug McDonald Judy Berg Judith Higginbotham Helen Shaw Stephen Smith
David Wallace Christine Blackburn Dave Aujla

1.3 Absent

Sharon Apsey Paul Stanwood Murray Lightman Ken Halliday

2.0 Review and Adoption of Agenda

The Agenda as circulated was adopted with the following changes: items **4.3, 4.5** were combined for presentation and item **5.2** moved up to **4.6**.

3.0 Approval of Minutes of Executive Meeting of October 12, 2016.

It was moved by Jean Lewandowsk and seconded by Alan Lowe that the Minutes of Executive Meeting of October 12, 2016 as circulated be adopted. Carried

4.0 Reports and Overview

4.1 President' s Report

Rabi Alam reported that the SLC Board Meeting discussed visit of Justin Trudeau to BC. It was stressed that comments on the EDA and Club bylaws be forwarded as quickly as possible. Overview and Recommendations by Judy Berg is on the agenda of this meeting.

4.11 Riding Reps Appointments/Resignation

It was moved by Jean Lewandowski and seconded by Luke Lewandowski that Jennifer Canas be appointed Seniors Riding Representative for the riding of Vancouver Centre and that Penny Gabriel be appointed Seniors Riding Representative for the riding of Kamloops-Thompson-Cariboo and that the resignation of Doug Symons Riding Representative for the riding of Richmond Centre be accepted.

Carried

4.2 COSCO Update

Don Currie reported that no COSCO meeting has been held since his last report at October meeting. Next meeting is Friday, November 18. Don stated that he has information on Annual Report of BC Seniors Advocate; Backgrounder by Minister Wilson-Raybould, Vancouver- Granville, Election Reform Fact Sheet; Backgrounder on Medicare, Present System; Summary Report on Homecare Support System; Aging Well--COSCO Conference; Info on United Nations Principles for Older Persons. Please contact Don if anyone wants him to receive above information.

Jean Lewandowski stated that having Don attend COSCO meetings and reporting on them to the Executive is most useful.

Don reminded of Wednesday, November 23 Potluck Luncheon.

4.3 Status of our Website vis-a-vis National

Jean Lewandowski reported that we now have a link from both the LPC and LPCBC websites to our SLCBC website. Jean asked that members forward to her the names and contact info on any organizations involving seniors as she wants to add a list of such organizations on our website.

Action: All

Together with Peggy Stewart, Jean will be looking into utilizing all possibilities of social media, such as Facebook, to expand our communications.

Jean further reported that there had been no "hits" on our website up until the end of September and during October the site received 172 hits. Kudos to Jean and Luke.

Judy Berg reported that she is looking to posting a new blog every two weeks on our website and is asking for input from members on topics/issues to be considered.

Action: All

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4.4 EDA & Clubs Drafts By-Laws: Impacts, Overviews & Recommendations

After discussion, clarification and written input from Christine Blackburn, the EDA & Clubs Drafts By-Laws as submitted by Judy Berg was adopted. **(Note: the final submission, dated November 9, 2016, was sent to all members by email on November 14, 2016).** As requested by Doug McDonald, copies will be forwarded to appropriate national committees. Doug noted that approved Constitution passed at Winnipeg Convention will become our Charter.

4.5 Communications & Information

Thorough and excellent SLCBC Communications Committee Report was received-- attachment #2 to Agenda. Jean Lewandowski reported that replies were sent to comments received on website. Comments re policy were routed to Doug McDonald and comments specific to SLCBC were routed to Rabi Alam.

4.6 Policy Committee Revised Work Plan--Agenda attach. #4

It was moved by Don Currie and seconded by Alan Lowe that the Policy Committee Revised Work Plan as submitted by Doug McDonald be adopted. Carried

5.0 New Business

5.1 SLCBC Work Plan 2016/17

The SLCBC Revised Work Plan 2016/17, Agenda attach. #3 was adopted

5.2 Policy Committee Revised Work Plan

See item 4.6 above.

5.3 Proposed BCSLC Conference Call Protocol--Agenda attach. #5

After discussion, the Proposed BCSLC Conference Call Protocol was adopted

5.4 Proposed Process for Filling BCSLC Executive Vacancies **BF Dec. 7 Executive Meeting**

5.5 Potluck Event, November 23, 2016, Events Committee

Don Currie reported that 7 people have confirmed for the event.

5.6 Committee Chairs' New Items--See revised Committee List attached

5.6.1 Draft Work Plan--Membership Liaison --Agenda attach. #7

After a considerable discussion, Judith Higginbotham asked that comments be forwarded to her Committee for consideration and include any adjustments to the draft plan as deemed appropriate. A revised document will be tabled at the December 7 Executive meeting.

Action: Judith Higgingbotham and All

5.6.2 Draft Work Plan--Communications & Information

This Draft Work Plan--Publicity, Communication and Collaboration Committee Work Plan Proposal, Agenda attach. # 8--was discussed.

It was moved by Don Currie and seconded by Alan Lowe that the Work Plan--Publiciity, Communications and Collaboration Proposal be adopted with the addition of "obtain feedback from seniors on events, issues, needs and interests".

Carried

6.0 Table Officer Reports--there were no reports.

7.0 Riding Reps Reports

See Agenda attach. #9 and #10. Reports from Peggy Stewart and David Wallace.

Peggy Stewart raised the question as to whether comments, discussion, ideas that will be heard at the upcoming Delta Seniors Townhall meeting will be recorded and she was assured that there will be notetakers present and the event will be recorded.

8.0 Adjournment and Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm

NOTE--Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 7, 1:15-3:15 pm, LPCBC Office, #460 --580 Hornby Street, Vancouver.