

High Country Newfoundland Club
General Meeting 5/20/2018
Minutes

Agenda and Sign In Distributed

Confirmation of Quorum (12 Required): Board Members Present: Matt Sidesinger, Mark O'Connor, Terri Desnica, Claudia Walters, Steve Gunther and Katherine Payne. General Members Present: Kathy Ackerman, Kady Eckstrom, Shine Sturtz, Lorileigh Moreland, Sue Raney, Larry Eckstrom, Jan Curtis, Sue Schneider, Johanna Matsuda, Lyle Payne, John Levett, Carol Jefferson and Jeff Jefferson. The teleconference line was activated and no-one joined the meeting by phone.

At 1:10 pm the General Meeting was called to order by President, Matt Sidesinger in the meeting room at Lakewood Library.

The 3/11/2018 minutes were distributed to the club via email prior to the meeting. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Johanna Matsuda and second by Terri Desnica. The minutes were approved with unanimous vote to approve.

Ballot Counting – John LeVett, Sue Schneider and Shine Sturtz volunteered and were appointed to count the board election ballots. The three members were given the packet including all the sealed ballots received and the reporting form.

Report of the President – Matt Sidesinger did not have a specific report of the president, however he did wish the best of luck to all the candidates who were on the ballot. He also wished to thank the club for their support during his time on the board and as president.

Report of the Secretary – Katherine Payne presented the report of the secretary – The secretary received the names for the 2018 Election from the Nominating Committee (12/28/2017), there was one additional member wishing to be on the ballot running for an open board seat, the appropriate documents were presented to include this person on the ballot (2/15). The ballots were prepared, printed and the election ballot packet(s) were produced with the ballot(s), interior envelope a pre-addressed return envelope. The list of general members receiving ballots was pulled from the 2017-2018 HCNC Membership Directory (Updated June 12, 2017) and all new general members that had been published in the NewfNews since June 2017. The ballots were mailed on March 15th 2018; as published in the 4th Quarter 2017 NewfNews (distributed 1/17). I received communication that one ballot had not been received and that ballot was resent (the original ballot did not get returned undeliverable). Two other ballots were returned undeliverable and I was able to contacted one member to get a different mailing address, the other did not respond to my messages. Three members that were listed in the 2017 4th Quarter NewfNews as applicants were not sent ballots on March 15th. Those 3 members were sent ballots April 20th at the direction of Mark O'Connor Membership Chair. Of note we have received a tremendous response to the Election Ballots and I have in hand all the ballots to be counted.

Communications sent out to the club membership roster included:

- 2018 Board Election – Bio's and alerts to watch for the ballots was emailed on 3/15.
- Membership Renewals, first emailed 4/20
- Chatfield Water Training Schedule
- HCNC Banquet and Awards
- Community Service Opportunities
- Request for NewfNews items
- 1st Quarter NewfNews was emailed on 4/26.
- HCNC Regional Club Basket for the 2018 National

- NCA Opening Ceremonies at the National
- Request for any members wishing to count ballots at the annual meeting.
- Heartworm Clinic
- Save the Date Notification for the September 2018 Water Test.
- Colorado State Parks Pass Group Purchase

Communications received from members or the NCA Committees by the HCNC Secretary Email address were forwarded to the appropriate chair or contact person. A Fall 2018 Draft Test Application and Budget was received 5/7/2018 and distributed to the board. All Board communications were distributed between the board. A sympathy card was sent to our Sunshine Committee Chairperson– Sue Schneider who lost her husband unexpectedly on March 28th.

Treasurer's report – The Treasurer's report was distributed during the meeting. Mark O'Connor reported the club has a bank balance of \$38,722.27. The club has two accounts, a money market with a balance of \$23,765.16 and the operating account with \$14,957.11. The P/L present was for the 2018 Banquet showing income of \$1020.00 and expenses of \$906.16 (Maggiano's); \$508.00 (Awards); \$111.88 (Printing and table favors) showing the P/L at -\$506.04. Mark also reported he has transferred funds from the PayPal account to the general account. Mark also reports that he has received around 50 membership renewals and is expecting more to come in.

Newsletter Editor – There was no report from the Newsletter Editor.

Report of Committees No Committee reports – Committee reports will be addressed in the board meeting to follow.

Unfinished Business No Unfinished business to report.

Sue Raney share the fun experience at the National with the Parade of Regional Clubs at the Opening Ceremonies wishing more of our club members had been available to join in the fun. Also regarding the HCNC Regional Basket, it was a huge hit; it had the highest bid at \$300.00 and looked incredible. A photo of the basket will be sent to Claudia to post on Facebook.

New Business

Election Results – The ballots were counted by the appointed 3 member team: John LeVett, Sue Schneider and Shine Sturtz.

The results of the 2018 board election were:

President - Jan Curtis

Treasurer - Mark O'Connor

Board of Directors: Steve Gunther and Johanna Matsuda

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Payne

Secretary

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