

NATIONAL NEWCOMERS COUNCIL OF CANADA  
AGM-Sarnia  
Saturday October 17, 2010

Registration/Hospitality took place at 8:15am with a Continental Breakfast for all.

Early morning sessions included:

- The President's Meeting hosted by NNCC Past President Susan Lotherington.
- The Newsletter Meeting hosted by NNCC Newsletter Editor Lisa Mina
- Ideas For Club Meetings hosted by Judy Francis and Adele Du Plessis

Followed by an Opening Welcome from:

- NNCC President Judy Francis,
- Sarnia Newcomers President, Adele Du Plessis,
- Sarnia's Mayor, His Honour Mike Bradley

An ice breaker followed; organized by Verna Dennis, then after a friendly coffee break we held our Business Meeting & Elections, chaired by NNCC President Judy Francis

Business Meeting 10:50 AM

**PRESENT:** (Note: **ALL** members of the NNCC Board were present)

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| Judy Francis President Courtenay BC                    | Beryl Keilty-Eastern Liaison-Truro NS              |
| Susan Lotherington Past President Whitby ON            | Reina Vipond -Central Liaison-Ottawa ON            |
| Suzanne Brett Welsh- Registrar/Treasurer<br>Calgary AB | Irene Nevill Western Liaison<br>North Vancouver BC |
| Adele Du Plessis, Secretary, Sarnia ON                 | Lise Marvell- Alumni Rep Williamstown ON           |
| Lisa Mina-Newsletter Editor Sarnia ON                  | Cecilia Gilbert Member at Large                    |
| Verna Dennis-Website Editor-Mississauga ON             | Kitchener/Waterloo Region, ON                      |

The delegates were welcomed by President Judy Francis.

The minutes from the 2009 AGM in Cornwall were adopted as presented by NNCC Secretary Adele Du Plessis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lise Marvell-.

The financial report was adopted as presented by Suzanne Brett Welsh, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan Lotherington.

A brief discussion followed in response to a question from the floor about the timing of our financial year end. It was explained by Suzanne Brett Welsh, supported by all NNCC Board Members (past and present) in attendance that this is the only time during the year that we can pass the financials on to the next Board to start a fresh year of renewals and AGM planning.

### **New Business:**

A proposed bylaw change was proposed and passed. Please see current By Laws for details.

### **Nominations & Election:**

The list of the newly elected/acclaimed National Newcomers Council for 2010-2011.

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| President Suzanne Brett Welsh Calgary AB       | Eastern Liaison Beryl Keilty Truro NS           |
| Past President Judy Francis Courtenay BC       | Central Liaison Reina Vipond Ottawa ON          |
| Registrar/Treasurer Adele Du Plessis Sarnia ON | Western Liaison Irene Nevill North Vancouver BC |
| Secretary Sheila Precious Courtenay BC         | Alumni Rep Lise Marvell Williamstown ON         |
| Newsletter Editor Lisa Mina Sarnia ON          | Member at Large Beverly McKee St Catharines ON  |
| Website Editor Verna Dennis Mississauga ON     |   |

The business meeting adjourned at 11:45 moved by Verna Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beryl Keilty.

A delicious lunch was served and a very enjoyable social time was enjoyed by all, including “the Hams and Taters” skit presented by the outgoing NNCC executive board.

Breakout sessions followed.

- Alumni Club – Why, How-to ~ Information Session ~ Lise Marvel, Beryl Keilty
- How To Keep Your Club Happy, Healthy & Alive ~ Adele Du Plessis

At the end of the day:

Suzanne Brett Welsh introduced the members of the new National Newcomers Executive Council.

Announcement of the host city of the 2011 AGM was made. It will take place in Calgary AB.

President of Calgary NuGrads and Chair of the Organizing Committee Suzanne said a few words about the Calgary newcomers 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and encouraged all to attend.

Raffle, table decoration and 50/50 draws took place.

Adjournment was at 3:20 pm.

**Next AGM to be held in Calgary, Alberta September 24, 2011**

Respectively submitted By: Adele DuPlessis - Secretary NNCC