

Management Meeting for September 14,2023

Minutes recorded by Vivian Christopher

In attendance:

Bob Christopher, Vivian Christopher, John Potter, Carole Wilson-Thornton, Janet Chandler, Lynn Page, Rick Horte, John Kinos

Absent:

Iris Smith Schurz, Katrin Roth

Called to order at 11:00

Minutes of June meeting motion to adopt by John P seconded by Vivian, carried

Lynn: looked after flowers and cards, gave receipts to Janet

John P:

- Field trips September 15 – Parksville Museum
- October – Big Qualicum Fish Hatchery
- Future Spring locations
- Education night September 19 – Sunsets
- Possibility of photo trip using the new high-speed ferry to Vancouver
- Bob explained the reason for the contact sheet for the activity

Rick:

- Everything appears to be running well
- 2 issues:
 1. Insurance - We need a certificate to show the city. (Cheque is cut so this is covered.) The policy is pretty generous and exceptions do not concern our club.
 2. CAPA - Speaker's Series base club fee \$1.30 per member. It is recommended that we use the number of paid members in May. Rick said that there are many benefits to belonging to CAPA.

Motion: We pay for the CAPA membership. Lynn moved, seconded by Vivian carried

Janet:

- Etransfer discussion – Janet wants to continue having a second person as a safeguard.
- Monthly fees – Main concern would be during the times when memberships are paid. Leave as is for now.
- We have a healthy balance.
- There were cheques for Bob to sign.
- Refunds are to be given to two members who paid twice.

Carole:

- Good shape
- We have speakers booked until June 2024. If any are unable to be at the meetings because of extenuating circumstances, there are backups available at a moment's notice.

John Kinos:

1. Tech and website are MAC compatible now. Easier to accommodate speakers that way.
2. Website discussion: Bob read Jack's email regarding the website.
3. John recommends moving to a secure site to be proactive. (Everyone agreed.)
4. Make it more encompassing
5. Integrate Facebook and website
6. He would like to present at the next General meeting.
7. We presently have a "grow your own site". An administered site costs more. He questioned the viability of moving from one kind to the other.

Bob talked about contacting the web team for the Victoria Camera Club to see if we could get information regarding their website, what works for them, what doesn't, if they had any recommendations, etc. They offered us a chance to get together for a zoom meeting on Thursday, September 21 at 4:30.

Motion: "We establish a Steering Committee to explore alternatives to the existing website."

Rick Moved, seconded by Vivian, carried unanimously

Motion: We pay for the CAPA Speaker Series.

Moved by Lynn, seconded by Janet, Carried

Lions Gate Celebration of Nature Competition discussion.

We decided that members can enter one image per category and voters and management members will determine the 6 entries from our club that will be entered to Lions Gate. Individual members may only have one of their images entered as part of the club submission.

Motion: We will enter the competition and pay the entry fee.

Moved by Vivian and seconded by Carole, carried

Motion for adjournment: Moved by Lynn, Seconded by John P, carried