

Nepean Seniors Travel Club
Annual General Meeting and Travel Showcase
MINUTES
21 September 2018

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m., approximately 24 people in attendance.

1. Welcome

Barbara St. Laurent welcomed everyone and introduced the Travel Club Executive members.

2. Introduction of Travel Club Executive

Attending for Executive were:

Barbara St. Laurent - Chair

Lynda Obenauf - Vice-Chair

Joan Terris - Recording Secretary

Laura Turcot - Member-at-Large

Jean-Marc Turcot - Member-at-Large

Normajean Barry - Member-at-Large

Leslie Dondale – Seniors Centre Coordinator

3. Minutes – 23 October 2017 Meeting

A motion to accept the Minutes from the 2017 meeting was made by Anke Springer, seconded by Steve MacIntyre. Motion carried.

4. Annual Report including Financial YTD Report

The Annual Report was given by Barbara St. Laurent. Barbara announced that she will be leaving the Travel Executive, as her term is complete. Lynda Obenauf will assume the position of Chair, vacating the position of Vice-Chair. Doris Latour has resigned the position of Treasurer.

Barbara outlined the trips, which are in the planning stage for the next three years, and also the additional special presentations which will be made at the meeting today. A motion was made by Janet Laframboise to approve the Annual Report including the Financial Report, seconded by Steve MacIntyre. Motion carried.

5. Election of Officers for 2018/19

We have had three new people agree to fill positions as Members-at-Large: Laura Turcot, Jean-Marc Turcot and Normajean Barry. However, we need to encourage more people to participate on the Executive, in order to keep the club viable.

A motion was made by Anke Springer to accept these three persons as members of the Executive, seconded by Carol Laplante. Motion carried.

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6. Question Period

No Questions.

TRAVEL SHOWCASE

7. Travel Presentations

2019

- a. **Germany** - presented by Alysha Anderson, of Ottawa Travel & Cruise Centre. The trip is an 11-day set tour, called "The Best of Germany", in September 2019.
- b. **Upper Canada Playhouse** - presented by Alysha Anderson, for Ottawa Valley Tours. This is a one-day tour, including lunch at the Macintosh Inn in Morrisburg, and a Christmas themed play. The title of the play will be announced in March 2019.
- c. **Shaw Festival** - presented by Rosanne Lalonde, of Travac Tours. This is a three-day set tour, which includes two performances and a backstage tour of the theatre, as well as two nights' accommodation, 2 breakfasts and two dinners. This tour is planned for June 2019.

2020 - Proposed

The following tours are being proposed as possibilities for 2020 and 2021. We are hoping to find out what interest there might be in each of these tours, in order to plan effectively. We prepared a list for each tour, and asked that people add their names to any trip list they might be interested in taking, along with a phone number and e-mail address.

- a. **London/Paris** - presented by Alysha Anderson, of Ottawa Travel and Cruise Centre. This is a set tour.
- b. **Italy** - presented by Rosanne Lalonde of Travac Tours. This is a set tour, which takes place in May and October.
- c. **PEI & Isle-de-la-Madeleine** - presented by Roseanne Lalonde of Travac Tours. This is a set tour which runs in June and September.
- d. **Stratford Festival** - presented by Rosanne Lalonde of Travac Tours. This is a set tour which includes two performances, and runs in May and September.

2021 - Proposed

For 2021, we did not have formal presentations, but we had lists for a **Scandinavian Cruise**, a **Cape Cod and Boston** coach tour, **Holland**, and the **Agawa Canyon** for people to sign to indicate interest.

8. Additional Presentations

- a. **Travel Safety** - Heather Stewart, of CAA, gave a presentation outlining tips for senior travellers. It was very informative and very well received by the audience.

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b. Photography - Lynda Buske gave a short presentation on how to take good photos, and then how to modify your photos to make them more attractive when printing them, etc. She has agreed to return to teach free courses in these subjects. This was very informative and very well received.

The Executive had prepared four travel-themed prize bags for a draw; the entry ticket for the draw was a short questionnaire, looking for additional information as to travel people might wish to undertake in the future. The four prize bags were won by:

- Carolyn Whaley
- Irene McGee
- Judy Bates
- Beryl Hunter

There being no more items, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.