

PROSTATE CANCER CANADA NETWORK VANCOUVER

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 2017 STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE & TIME: June 1, 2017 at 1:25 p.m.

LOCATION: Canadian Cancer Society Board Room, 565 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver

PRESENT: Len Gross, Frank Peabody, John Christopherson, Dale Laird, and Bev Shapiro.

ABSENT: Bill Geiss, Jim Tate, Peter Bullen, Mark White, Ian Edwards, Barry Wilkes, Norm Dooley, Don Stewart and Don James.

Len welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **Review of the Agenda:**
The Agenda was accepted.
2. **Approval of the Minutes of May Meeting:**
The May 4th meeting minutes were approved.
3. **Items Arising:**
 - John Christopherson will be retiring this July.
 - Frank & Len will both be away for August.
4. **Review of the General Meeting:**
 - There were 26 present including 3 women.
 - The presentation was by Marcy Dayan Physiotherapist, Pelvic Floor Specialist. Prostate Cancer and Bladder Control: Learn How to take an Active Role. Very good presentation and well received.
 - Having only one microphone on at a time seems to have stop the other microphone from cutting out.
5. **Report from the Prostate Cancer Foundation B.C.:**
 - Len – Couldn't attend the last meeting.
 - Still need lots more volunteers for the Father's Day Run.
 - Mark – Not present.
6. **Financial Report:**
 - The income from today's meeting was \$ 45.00 from the raffle and \$ 35.00 for the coffee donations. Expenses were \$ 20.00 for the food and \$ 0.00 for the wine giving \$ 60.00. Cash is estimated to be \$ 1684.35 plus today's amount for a total of \$ 1744.35.

- Put eyes back on donation sign.

7. **Communication Committee:**

- Many on the list enjoy receiving the updates on what the group is doing even if they are not going to the meetings.
- Peter Bullen would like to just send one email out per month with a reminder of the meeting and topic and then have a link to our website once it is up and running.

8. **Program for Upcoming Meetings:**

July 6 – Sarah Albrecht - Services that the Cancer Society Provides

August – ??? Genetics (Frank gets someone from the POG Program)

September – Dr. Nevin Murphy – Changes in cancer treatments over the last 4 decades. (Frank to confirm)

October – Inspire Health

November – Dr. Goldenberg??

December – Christmas Lunch

Other suggestions:

Barry Rich - Depression and Mental Health (Barry Wilkes)

Mark and Frank New electronic health monitoring devices – or someone else.

Maureen McGrath on Sexual Health

Naturopath/Complementary Medicine

Cardio-oncologist

Eric McCormick

Marianne Sadar?

Len wanted to step down from the leadership role but that as an interim measure, would like someone to take on the task of finding speakers which would be a big help.

9. **Other/ New Business:**

- Need to make up a group to take over the arranging of the speakers for the meetings.
- Need to check if notices of our meetings are going up in urologist's offices.
- Norm Dooley went over a basic concept for the web site and that we need to divide it up into five or six basic sections that can have subsections.
- See also the web site www.decisionhelp.trueth.ca

10. **Next Steering Committee Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will be held on **Thursday, July 6, 2017** immediately following the General Meeting and in the Boardroom.

11. **Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.