



ASSOCIATION OF MARINE SURVEYORS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Minutes of the General Meeting held Wednesday, January 20th, 2010
The Mission to Seafarers, Vancouver, B.C.

In Attendance:

The President - Alistair Beaton
Treasurer - Roy Sluyter
Tim Ellis
Talal Al-Skouti
Don Tranter
Augustine Rebello
Collin Vidian Jones
Don Rose
Cecil Noronha
Rene Dickinson
Nelson Ing
Volodymyr Bondarev
Jostein Hoddevik
Pat Haliburton
Jeff Sun
Pat Haliburton
Edward Lipset
Ram Sudama
Phil Oldham
Ieuan Lampshire-Jones

Apologies

Secretary - Richard Smith
Kenneth Rorison
Tom Mclean

Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 19:14 hours
The President welcomed new members, Collin Vidian Jones, Talal Al-Skouti, Edward Lipsett, Rene Dickinson, Donald Rose, Volodymyr Bondarev, Jostein Hoddevik and Jeff Sun to the meeting.

Adoption of Agenda

The President presented the Agenda for the meeting.
Motion: To accept the agenda as circulated
Made By: Tim Ellis / Seconded: Don Tranter / All in favour

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The President read the minutes of the General Meeting from Wednesday November 18th 2009.

Motion: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting as circulated and read.

Made by: Cecil Noronha / seconded: Jostein Hoddevik / All in Favour

Business Arising from the previous minutes

Tim Ellis has had no further contact from SAMS regarding their wanting to meet with us. SAMS is very strong on the east coast. Tim will send another note to remind SAMS of their request for a meeting.

There was a general discussion regarding the attendance by US based surveyors, said to be members of SAMS, aboard tugs and barges that our bound for West Coast Canadian waters on behalf of insurance companies. Don Rose commented on a US surveyor working in Canada on a barge. In the past, Collin Jones has chased foreign surveyors off of Canadian job sites. As Collin reminded us, this is why the AMSBC was formed. Jostein Hoddevik questioned why we should even affiliate with a foreign organization as we work in British Columbia. Alistair Beaton commented that this is why through the IIMS, the AMSO body was developed to establish relationships between like minded organizations. Pat Haliburton stated that the underwriters offer statements and documentation to allow cross boarder work.

Alistair Beaton has contacted BCIT and they seem interested in having the association give a presentation to their deck and engineering students. This can be presented as a career path after transitioning out of sea duties. Augustine Rebello suggested that this be a very general overview of the options available for work after deck or engine room duties.

Alistair Beaton has been in contact with David Bing, deputy minister of transport. Mr. Bing suggested that the Association contact Minister Kevin Falcon for a private member's bill. We will have to have everything in place to become a chartered society. We will have to seek legal advice to assure our paperwork is in order. Pat Haliburton stated that the AMSBC will not have to work about interference with an Underwriters lobby. NAMS and SAMS might object.

Presentation of Membership Stamps and By-Laws to our new members by our President:

Colin Vidian Jones #146 CVJ

Talal Al-Skouti #147 TNA

Edward Lipsett #148 EAL

Rene Dickinson #149 RLD

Donald Rose #150 DAR

Volodymyr Bondarev #151 VMB

Jostein Hoddevik #152 JMH

Jeff Sun #153 JS

Committee Reports

Membership – The Membership Director reported that we have had 4 enquiries for membership since November of 2009.

Treasurer - The Treasurer circulated his report as attached to these minutes. Roy read out the contents of the report with descriptions of each line item.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report as circulated and presented.
Made by: Don Trantor / seconded: Tim Ellis / All in Favour

Correspondence

Tom Mclean appears to be making a good recovery from the stroke that he suffered recently. Tom passed on his thanks to all members for the gift basket that we had sent to him following this unfortunate event. We wish Tom well and look forward to seeing him at meetings in the near future.

New Business

The AGM will be held on April 10th, 2010 at the Executive Inn on North Road in Coquitlam from 10.30 hours onwards.

Alistair will try to book Capt. Angus Topshey who is Captain Of the Flagship of the Pacific Fleet. This is the 100 year anniversary of the Canadian Navy.

Olympic delays and traffic restrictions will be in place early February to the end of March. We will be able to get to the Mission, however be aware that traffic restriction are in place and you may need additional time to get to wherever you are going. The Mission is open for business throughout the Olympics.

The Nautical Institute Spring Seminar – Maritime Arctic 2010 May 13th-13th in Victoria. Details are on the N.T. website at www.nauticalinstitute.ca or at www.maritimearctic2010.com

Motion. The Association will donate \$500 to the Nautical Institute for their Spring seminar.

Made by: Roy Sluyter / seconded: Rene Dickenson / All in Favour

Any bylaw changes should be done before the AGM.

Closing

Motion: To close the meeting.

Made by: Colin Vidian Jones / seconded by: Don Rose / All in Favour.

The meeting was closed at 20:20 hours.

Our next scheduled meeting will be a General Meeting to be held at The Mission to Seafarers on Wednesday March 17th, 2010 at 19:00 hours.

The Mission to Seafarers (Flying Angel Club) is located at 401 East Waterfront Road, which is the port services road south of Vanterm (container terminal). Access is via the railroad overpass at the north end of Main Street. At the 'T' junction at the north side of the overpass, turn left (east) and the Mission to Seafarers is on the left (400 yards)