

**SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
CENTRAL BRANCH**

Minutes of November 18, 2008 Meeting

1. The President, Bob Wallace brought the meeting to order at 19:30 and welcomed the members attending.

The following members were in attendance:

Gord Burns	Chris Smith	Mike Young
Fred Schatz	Bob Wallace	Dave Mossman
George Sullivan	Ted Stiles	Terry Wyss
Norm Beauvais	Jerry Rutherford	

2. There were no applications for membership with SAOC Central this month.
3. The minutes of the previous meeting were read. No omissions or errors were noted, minutes were accepted as published. Moved by George Sullivan, seconded by Dave Mossman. Carried.
4. Reports:
 - a. Treasurer's Report: Not available, Treasurer out of town.
 - b. Membership: We currently have 153 members paid up to 2009 or beyond and 50 in arrears. Moved by Fred Schatz to accept report as read. Seconded by Ted Stiles. Carried.
 - c. Entertainment: Lone Star Texas Grill has been booked for Wednesday, December 10, 1130 to 1430 for our pre Xmas Luncheon get together.
 - d. Slops: Progress has been made with the SAOC jackets, the supplier in Halifax has ordered one in and once it is in we can check sizes and then go from there.
 - e. NCVA/Services Report – Nil Peter Wilkins not present due to previous commitments.
5. Correspondence: Nil
6. Old Business:
 - a. BBQ/Re-union Rimouski. The President is in the process of writing letters to SAOC East and West Branches in considering combining our efforts in a combined reunion in Rimouski in 2010. He has had some contact with SAOC East and their reaction was very favourable.

7. New Business:

- a. A mechanism is required to provide a means of waiving dues for a member who is experiencing financial distress for reasons beyond his control. i. e. major medical expenses. A discussion followed and it was agreed on in principle. What remains is to determine a means of reviewing a situation and subsequent action to be taken. A motion was made on behalf of Rob Quaia to accept this approach in principle and finalize how it will be administered at the next meeting. Seconded by Mike Young. Carried
- b. Purchase of Naval Centenary Ball caps. These are quite nice caps we can get for no cash outlay to sell on consignment. All proceeds go to the Naval Centenary Fund. An initial consignment of 24 will be provided to us in the near future.
- c. BBQ/Re-union Rimouski Chairman. It was noted we are in a dire need of a Committee Chairman for events we are looking into for 2010 and the reunion. Mike Young was approached and he agreed to take on this task. Several others offered to assist him as requirements become known. As it is Moe Allard and Don Courcy already have put a great deal of time into this and continue to do so. Motioned by Ted Stiles that Mike Young assumes the duties of BBQ/Re-union Rimouski Chairman. Seconded by Gord Burns. Carried

8. 50/50 draw: Bob Hannaford's name was drawn. Member not present. \$17.00

9. Moved by George Sullivan, seconded by Norm Beauvais to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

Next meeting January 20, 2009

Original signed by:

Bob Wallace
President

George Sullivan
Secretary