

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF
THE FRASER VALLEY ESTATE PLANNING COUNCIL
JANUARY 13, 2009 @ 8:35 AM
AT MANTHORPE LAW OFFICES**

Present: Rosalyn Manthorpe, Anne George, Charlene Taylor, Karl Maier, Carey Vandenberg, Nick Cheng and David Lee

Regrets: John Blackmer

1. Confirmation of Agenda

The meeting began with the confirmation of the agenda.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting on November 13, 2008 approved.

3. President's Report (Rosalyn Manthorpe)

Rosalyn Manthorpe reported that feedback from Laurie Daschuk re November meeting was received. Rosalyn mentioned that varied responses, from positive to negative were received by Dave Lee for November meeting on the survey of members. The feedback of the Abbotsford Estate Planning Council guest, Lee Squire, was positive and an invitation to do more with them was made. Rosalyn welcomed Dave Lee as membership chair. A new member, T. Fedewich, was to be contacted regarding the interest of having notaries join as members. Member spotlights were discussed and it was decided that people were invited to offer member spotlight, then consider offers and organize spotlights. Regarding the feedback from the November meeting at Coyote Creek, issues of concerns and improvements were noted and will be monitored at the next meeting.

4. Vice President's Report (Nick Cheng)

The Vice President reported that all gifts were purchased. An alternative meeting gift to coffee cards was discussed.

5. Treasurer's Report (Anne George)

Anne George reported that all funds were placed in one account; revenues and expenses tracking as break-even for the year.

6. Membership (Charlene Taylor)

Charlene Taylor reported that sharing membership between partners required lead individual member and substitutions would also be allowed as in the past. Distribution of continuing education credit certificates would be done in a

different way at the next meeting. Prize for member referral would be drawn at the next meeting. Nametag would be handed out to members to keep at the next meeting.

7. Public Affairs (Carey Vandenberg)

Carey Vandenberg reported that the current web host charged \$700 per year. Other alternatives were much cheaper. Carey would follow up on this issue. Posting of meeting minutes on website was discussed and it was decided to remove public access to minutes and make available upon request. It was also decided to add professional organizations' websites to "resource links" page.

8. Program Committee Report (Dave Lee)

Dave Lee reviewed his survey results for the past and future speaker programs. Topics and possible speakers for this year were discussed. Approach for Erica Penner's date would be reviewed.

9. New Business

None submitted.

10. Future Meetings

The next meeting will take place at 8:30am on March 10, 2009 at the offices of Manthorpe Law Offices, #102, 15399 102A Avenue, Surrey, BC V3S 8V7.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:00am.