

Highlights of February 12 Board Meeting

Hello All,

Here is what happened at the last FFO Board meeting.

The search for an assistant webmaster continues and if no one steps up Shirley McKey has volunteered her services as of the beginning of March.

***Carried Motion**

FFO will pay \$60 per year so that it can post more than five activities on the FFO website calendar.

Colin stated that with more members than anticipated that there are operational fees to cover this.

The Linen table clothes last used at the Christmas potluck with coordination by Vivian Runnels, Shirley McKey and Lynda Heffernan will be distributed to volunteers to be washed and ironed and an environmental solution will be found to remove them from the club's assets.

A date of March 31 2022 has been set as the latest for a definite commitment to the incoming Richmond Virginia journey.

FF Edmonton is interested in coming to Ottawa in the Fall of 2022.

A double journey to California is still in flux. Napa Sonoma is looking forward to our arrival and all hosts are fully vaccinated and perform an antigen test before the arrival of guests. Bakersfield is still in doubt as their vaccination rate is not high. A pool of members will be taken to see if there is enough interest in this journey to move forward.

It was decided that payment of mileage to day hosts will not go forward but a parking subsidy of \$15 will be paid to drivers who present a receipt from any official FFO journey event.

FFO has 108 members so far for 2022.

Joanne Curran will proceed with the revision of the membership application form to include previous travel and current membership in other organizations.

It is anticipated that a national working group will begin on recruitment at a national level sometime in March.

Joanne Curran and Shirley McKey will continue working on an initiative for the development of a book club focusing on Indigenous works.

"Amica" has offered meeting rooms and activities without cost to FFO. It was agreed that "Amica" could add our club's email address to its mailings and which, at our discretion, we could then forward to our club members. FFO could also email our events back to "Amica".

A summary of Board minutes will be posted to the website after the minutes have been finalized and approved.

The motion to make the payment of the costs for FFO website was approved at the January 8th Board meeting

Next Meeting March 12th.

In friendship,

Lynda Heffernan

FFO Past President