

CAMOSUN GYRO CLUB  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
20 APRIL, 2021  
VIA ZOOM  
MINUTES

President Mike introduced our Speaker, Dr. Pat Marshall at 7:05 p.m.

Pat's comments addressed the recent Times Colonist letter to the Editor submitted by a group of Emergency Room Doctors entitled "Poorly handled Telemedicine is Burdening Emergency Departments."

The letter mainly bemoaned the situation where it appears that patients are being referred to Emergency Departments without any in person examinations. They emphasized that virtual care should be considered an adjunct not a replacement for in person visits

Pat noted that the majority of Doctors felt that it is much better to physically see a patient before any further action is taken.

That said he said there is value of telemedicine in some circumstances such as remote areas.

Pat also outlined a number of options available to patients to arrange an in-person appointment or seek professional advice prior to arriving at an Emergency Department.

For instance, a telephone contact with a Doctor will likely result in a referral to a specialist if required or at least a thorough interview. Other options include the BC Health Line 811 where you can speak to a Registered Nurse 24/7 for advice; Patient Critical Care Centers are also available in a number of locations; Telus Health Babylon allows a subscriber to make an appointment with a Dr. or Specialist. Finally one can call 911 or go to an Emergency Department.

If all else fails try Dr. Google.

Having said the above, Pat emphasized that there are a number of advantages to both patients and Doctors in face to face contact.

A Question and Answer period followed before Mike thanked Pat for his remarks.

Mike then called the Annual General Meeting to Order at 7:25 p.m.

28 Gyros were present. While not the mandated quorum of 31, Paul moved to carry on with the Agenda as distributed prior to the AGM. Seconded by Denis and Carried.

Mike asked for a Motion to approve the Agenda as distributed. Seconded by Hans. There was no discussion and the Motion was Carried.

Minutes of the 2020 AGM. Denis Moved that the Minutes of the 2020 AGM be approved as circulated as there were no errors nor omissions nor any unfinished business to address. Seconded by Gary and Carried.

Directors' Reports. Owing to the Covid 19 protocols very few activities or events took place over the last year thus the Directors had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Jay reported that very little happened over the past year that had an effect on the Budget. The Balance Sheet shows Total Equity of \$46,550.47 with \$10,000 in Liability Reserve for Installation.

He noted that a Budget is a "best guess" document, and that we really don't know what will be

happening over the next few months owing to PHO orders. He based the Budget on the assumption that we will start normal activities and events on 1 September 2021. He has included a slight increase in the Budget to cover the Awards budget dependent on any decision on this matter to be raised later in the Agenda.

Jay is budgeting for a 5 % increase in meal costs to \$35.

Dues will be set at \$70 for Regular and 50 year Members and \$26 for Associates.

The Budget has been based on 8 months rather than the usual 10.

It was Moved by Denis that the Treasurer's Report be Approved. Seconded by Jay and Carried.

Nominating Committee Report: Mike reported that the Nominating Committee had met and after securing agreement from each Nominees presented the following proposed slate for Board of Directors of the Camosun Gyro Club for 2021-2022:

President	Hans Rodenburg
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Tim Evans
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Patrick Benloulou
Past President	Mile Wedekind
Treasurer	Jay Fray
Secretary	Denis Moffatt
Member at Large	Rick McKay
Member at Large	Colm Foy
Member at Large	Ray Mew
Member at Large	Gary Shinder

It was Moved by Maury that the proposed slate of Officers be approved. Seconded by David C. Mike called for further nominations and there being none asked for the vote. Carried.

The Officers will be installed by DIV Governor Mat Williams at the Zoom Installation 1 May.

Mike reported that the Board of Directors had approved the following Proposal to Amend the Club By Laws. It was Moved by Denis that the Camosun Club B-Laws be amended to include the following:

2.1 Awards:

- (a) That a member who is in good standing and has been a member for 10 continuous years but has not received a 25 year, 40 year or 50 year pin, shall receive a 10 year pin upon request.
- (b) That a member who is in good standing and has been a member for 25 continuous years shall receive a 25 year pin, and upon request, a Certificate and Plaque.
- (c) That a member who is in good standing and has been a member for 40 continuous years shall receive a 40 year pin, and upon request, a Certificate and Plaque.
- (d) That a member who has been a member for 50 continuous years shall receive a 50 year pin, and upon request, a Certificate and Plaque.

Seconded by Jay.

Mike asked for discussion.

The term “member” was questioned as to what the term meant. Denis suggested that “member” be replaced with “Gyro”. The words “10 continuous years” was also questioned. What about a Gyro who had taken a leave of absence? What about a Gyro who was a member of one Club but transferred to Camosun, would the years be cumulative or pertain only to Camosun. It was suggested that the number of years of service be determined by the records kept by Gyro International.

Denis Moved that the Proposed By-Law be amended to read:

2.1 Awards:

- a) That a Gyro who is in good standing and has been a member for 10 years but has not received a 25 year, a 40 year, or 50 year pin, shall receive a 10 year pin upon request.
- b) That a Gyro who is in good standing and has been a member for 25 years shall receive a 25 year pin, and upon request, a Certificate and Plaque.
- c) That a Gyro who is in good standing and has been a member for 40 years shall receive a 40 year pin, and upon request, a Certificate and Plaque.
- d) That a Gyro who is in good standing and has been a member for 50 years shall receive a 50 year pin, and upon request, a Certificate and Plaque.

Seconded by Colm. Carried

Denis Moved that he original proposal as amended be approved. Seconded by Colm and Carried.

At this point, there being no further Agenda items to be addressed, Mike took this opportunity to comment on his time as President.

He noted that as a result of the Covid 19 restrictions PHO orders etc., he really didn't have much to report on.

He also observed that the pandemic is not over yet and we'll have to deal with the restrictions for a while. Hopefully well all be vaccinated soon and the “curve” will flatten, and that we'll be able to resume Club meetings, and activities.

He commented on the relative success of the various Zoom meetings he had arranged which were all well attended.

He wished Hans and the Board all the best and is looking forward to future gatherings.

The meeting participants all joined in a round of applause for Mike.

Colm noted that the Summer Picnic will proceed if the PHO allows such gatherings.

Hans then thanked Mike for his leadership and efforts to keep the Club active.

He will be calling a Board meeting in early May to discuss ways that the Club can stay active and move into the future. He will be looking at continuing Speakers at meetings and the renewal of social events.

He too is looking forward to flattening the curve and getting back together.

There being no further Business Mike asked for a Motion to Terminate the Meeting. Moved by David C., Seconded by Rick and Carried.

The Meeting terminated at 8:10 p.m.



