

SLNA Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, March 31, 2004
following the Delegates Meeting – 7p.m.

NORTH MARKET, St. Lawrence Market Complex

Executive Members in Attendance:

Acting President: Edward Nixon, Windmill Line Co-op V
V.P. Internal: Georgette Harris, Saint James Condo V
V.P. External, Cam Miller, Kjng George Square V
Treasurer: Nancy Sheppard, 65 Scadding Ave. V
Secretary, Alice Briesmaster, New Times Square 2 V
At Large: Frank Burns, Longboat Res.Assoc. V
At Large: Joan Campbell, Market Square

In Attendance:

Cherrill Baker, David B. Archer Co-op V
Dorothy Creaser, Old York Tower V
Jim Dalziel, St. Lawrence on the Park V
Patricia Duck, One Church Street V
John Flanders, 25 the Esplanade V
Jacob Hardie, Liberty Lofts V
Robin Hart, 30 Church St.
Stig Harvor, La Place St. Laurent V
Lawrence Hawke, Crombie Park V
Mohammed Hoque, New Hibret Co-op V
Ewa Jarmicka, Harmony Co-op Homes V
Helen Marangos, Family Action Network (F.A.N.) V
Ron Monteith, Woodsworth Co-op V
Terry Pennock, New Times Sq 2
Dwight Peters, 25 the Esplanade V
Jeanette Postnikoff, La Place St. Laurent V
David Sangaraille, La Place St. Laurent V
Sandy Sellars, Windmill Line Co-op V
Alan Seymour, Longboat Residents Assoc. V
Wallace Simpson, Crombie Park V
Frank Touby, Harmony A Housing Co-op V
Ian Waldron, New Times Sq 2, V
Michael Waring, New Times Sq 2, V
Alex Waugh, 160 Frederick St. V
Julita Wolanska, Crombie Park V
Ronny Yaron, Woodsworth Co-op V

Todd Ross, office of George Smitherman, G
Pam McConnell, Councillor G

V = Voting Delegate, N = Non -Voting Delegate, G = Guest

With Regrets:

Manon LePaven, Old York Tower V
At Large: Bob Kemp, Pilot Place V

1) Welcome

Nancy Sheppard called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm and chaired the meeting. She welcomed delegates.

2) Approval of the Agenda

Motion: to approve the agenda as written.

Moved by: Helen Marangos

Seconded by: Cherril Baker

Carried

3) Approval of AGM 2003 Minutes

Motion: to approve the March 2003 AGM Minutes as written.

Moved by: Edward Nixon

Seconded by: Joan Campbell

Carried

4) Business Arising from the Minutes

None

5) Executive Reports

a) President – Nancy Sheppard

Nancy's comments: "I have had a very enjoyable year as President of the SLNA. I have found it to be a true learning experience. I was very pleased and proud to be able to represent the SLNA at a number of community events, including the 2003 SLNA Festival, the Fall Citizenship Ceremony, and the Ward 28 All-Candidates' Meeting. I also represented the SLNA at St. Lawrence Works and SEDERI.

"I look forward to continuing on the Executive as Past President and supporting the new Executive in whatever endeavours they undertake. Thank you to everyone for giving me the opportunity to be your President, and for supporting me over the past year. Thanks especially to the rest of the Executive Team, who have worked tirelessly over this past year to further the goals of this organization."

b) VP External – Cam Miller

Cam's comments: "Over this past year, I represented the SLNA on Community AIR by drafting motions for delegates, making deputations at City Hall, participating in press conferences, rallies and pamphletting. I was a Member of the Toronto Island Airport Community Action Committee (TIACAC). I organized for delegates and the greater community presentations by WindShare in May, EnerACT workshop in October, TTC Forum in February. I was one of the SLNA reps on the North Market Working Committee and the Bank of Upper Canada development review. I participated in several TWRC precinct planning sessions, with focus on East Bayfront. And finally, I chaired the Market Lane Park Committee."

c) VP Internal - Georgette Harris

Georgette's comments: "The past year has continued to be busy in many areas of my mandate. These are a few highlights. I encouraged one new member building, The Bentley, to join the SLNA. I developed a new Membership Brochure, with editing support from Joan Campbell, which will be included in a future mailing to non-member buildings. Another interesting highlight was overseeing the development of a Strategic Plan, with the input and support of the Executive. I am currently overseeing the 4th Annual Gala with the support of 2 Co-Chairs and several other committee members.

"As my 2-year term draws to a close, I would like to thank the many people, both on the Executive and in the Community who I worked with. It has been a true privilege to contribute to my neighbourhood and I hope that future Executive members will find it equally as rewarding."

d) Treasurer – Frank Burns

Frank Burns announced that the audited statement is not yet ready, and presented the following motions for approval:

Motion: that the audit fee of 500+tax for the 2003 audit be approved and paid.

Moved by: Frank Burns

Seconded by: Bob Kemp

Carried

Motion: that Cowperthwaite Mehta be re-appointed as our auditors for the 2004 fiscal year.

Moved by: Frank Burns

Seconded by: Bob Kemp

Carried

Motion: that the annual membership fee schedule for 2004 be:

for residential /voting members, \$2.25 per unit to a maximum of \$275

for non-voting members, \$30

Moved by: Frank Burns

Seconded by: Cherril Baker

Carried

Motion: that the quorum for delegate meetings in 2004 be set at 18 (same as 2003).

Moved by: Frank Burns

Seconded by: Emma McBey

Carried

Motion: that we have an operating budget in 2004 of \$6,500 revenue and \$6,500 expenses, for a net balance of zero

Moved by: Frank Burns

Seconded by: Philip Conlon

Carried

e) At Large – Joan Campbell

Joan's comments: "This has been a busy year for the Communications Committee. To keep our members and the neighbourhood informed about the doings of our association, we prepared and distributed three issues of THE SLNA MESSENGER. We also produced a revised brochure; created a display board that is easy to set up at events and to modify as needed; established a Photo Archive; and improved the look and expanded the content of our website, www.slna.ca.

"My thanks to the following active committee members who helped with Communications this year: Frank Burns, Georgette Harris and Dwight Peters. Their innovative thinking and hard work made all this possible."

Joan called for more volunteers to assist with communications initiatives, including a planned photography contest, expanding the website, and increasing distribution of the newsletter.

Alice Breismaster pointed out that the digital photography classes at the Rec Centre might be co-ordinated with the SLNA's Communications Committee for mutual benefit.

f) At Large – Dwight Peters

Dwight Peters declined to give a closing statement. Nancy Sheppard reported that Dwight Peters did a fantastic job when he joined mid year, he updated the website, and co-ordinated the traffic subcommittee.

Motion: to thank the Executive for the terrific work done this last year.

Moved by: Ronny Yaron

Seconded by: George Millbrandt

Carried

6) Resignations

Nancy Sheppard announced that Cam Miller is resigning his position as VP External in order to run for President for the two year term. Frank Burns is resigning as Treasurer in order to run for VP External.

Mohammed Hoque resigned his At Large position as commitments at home and work do not allow him to put in the time he would like. As a result, the remainder of his one year term is also up for election.

7) Nominations and Elections

Nancy asked delegates to ensure that they have green voting forms. She added that the "SLNA: Position Description Duties" distributed for the election was written in 1999, and that the Executive will more clearly define to incumbents what

the positions now entail. Nancy explained that Joan Campbell's position At Large – Communications will, once Joan steps down, continue as an untitled At Large position. Nancy then turned the meeting over to Dwight Peters.

Dwight Peters announced that 32 registered delegates are present this evening, so the election can be held legally. He explained the nominations procedure: Candidates can be nominated by themselves or another voting delegate, but nominations are not accepted by proxy.

Dwight announced that Ann Doggett and Michelle Buckley agreed to be Scrutineers. He listed the positions open for election and their terms. He concluded with a description of the procedure: nominations, nominations closed, vote.

a) President – 2 years

Cam Miller accepted nomination.

Nominated by: Nancy Sheppard

Seconded by: Cherril Baker

Nancy Sheppard declined nomination by Dorothy Creaser.

Motion: to close nominations for the position of President.

Moved by: Stig Harvour

Seconded by: Bob Kemp

Carried

Cam Miller was acclaimed as President for a term of two years.

b) VP Internal – 1 year

Frank Burns declined nomination by Bob Kemp.

Nancy Sheppard declined nomination by Dorothy Creaser.

Dwight Peters declined nomination by Ronny Yaron.

Georgette Harris declined nomination by Joan Campbell.

Frank McLean declined nomination by Edward Nixon.

Dwight Peters temporarily suspended nominations for VP Internal, and resumed nominations for the position after election of other positions was completed:

Ronny Yaron accepted nomination.

Nominated by: Frank Touby

Seconded by: Edward Nixon

Motion: to close nominations for the position of VP Internal

Moved by: Nancy Sheppard

Seconded by: Wally Simpson

Carried

Ronny Yaron was acclaimed VP Internal for a term of one year.

c) VP External – 2 years

Frank Burns accepted nomination.

Nominated by: Cherril Baker

Seconded by: Dorothy Creaser

Dorothy Creaser declined nomination by Conny Yang.

Motion: to close nominations for the position of VP External

Moved by: Frank Touby

Seconded by: Helen Maranga
Carried

Frank Burns was acclaimed VP External for a term of two years.

d) Treasurer – 1 year

Nancy Sheppard accepted nomination.
Nominated by: Cherril Baker
Seconded by: Frank Burns

Motion: to close nominations for the position of Treasurer
Moved by: Bob Kemp
Seconded by: Philip Conlon
Carried

Nancy Sheppard was acclaimed Treasurer for a term of one year.

e) Secretary – 2 years

Helen Marangos declined nomination by Ronny Yaron.
Ewa Jarmicka declined nomination by Frank Touby.
Cherril Baker declined nomination by Dorothy Creaser.
Dorothy Creaser declined nomination by Joan Campbell.
Bob Kemp declined nomination by Frank Touby .

Dwight Peters temporarily suspended nominations for Secretary, and resumed nominations for the position after election of other positions was completed:

Aurie Hensman declined nomination by Edward Nixon.

Philip Conlon suggested that Karen Surwonka, who was not present this evening, would be interested in serving on the Executive. Nancy Sheppard suggested that Philip Conlon speak with her to confirm her interest by next month's meeting.

Nancy Sheppard nominated herself as acting secretary for one month.
Seconded by: Cherril Baker

Nancy Sheppard was acclaimed as interim Secretary for a term of one month.

f) At Large – 2 years

Frank Touby declined nomination by Bob Kemp.
Karen Surwonka was nominated by Philip Conlon. The nomination by proxy could not be accepted.

Frank McLean accepted nomination.
Nominated by: Nancy Sheppard
Seconded by: Cam Miller

Motion: to close nominations for the At Large position for a term of two years.
Moved by: Nancy Sheppard
Seconded by: Edward Nixon
Carried

Frank McLean was acclaimed in the At Large position for a term of two years.

g) At Large – 1 year

Michael Waring declined nomination by Edward Nixon.

*Paul Smith accepted nomination.
Nominated by: Joan Campbell
Seconded by: Dorothy Creaser*

Ronny Yaron declined nomination by Conny Yang.

*Motion: to close nominations for the At Large position for a term of one year.
Moved: Helen Marangos
Seconded by: Cherril Baker
Carried*

Paul Smith was acclaimed in the At Large position for a term of one year.

ELECTION RESULTS

President – 2 years	Cam Miller
VP Internal – 2 year	Ronny Yaron
VP External – 1 year	Frank Burns
Treasurer – 1 year	Nancy Sheppard
Secretary – interim for one month	Nancy Sheppard
At Large – 2 years	Frank McLean
At Large – 1 year	Paul Smith

*Motion: to close the elections
Moved by: Edward Nixon
Seconded by: Helen Marangos
Carried*

Dwight Peters advised delegates that because all positions were acclaimed, there were no ballots to destroy. With the elections concluded, Dwight turned the meeting back to Nancy Sheppard.

8) Adjournment

As outgoing President, Nancy Sheppard thanked the outgoing Executive for their hard work and dedication over the last year.

*Motion: to approve all the people elected
Moved by: Cherril Baker
Seconded by: Bob Kemp*

Carried

Nancy pointed out that refreshments were available after the meeting. She asked attendees to fill in the meeting evaluation form, and sign the attendance sheet.

Ronny Yaron asked delegates to discuss the community picnic, to plan the date, perhaps in September. Delegates agreed to defer discussion on this topic to next month's agenda.

Nancy thanked St. Lawrence Market for providing refreshments. She advised delegates that tickets to the Gala were available to purchase at the door on leaving tonight's meeting. In response to recent queries by delegates, she advised delegates that they can send regrets for not attending to the Secretary or the SLNA office by phone or email. Nancy asked the new Executive to meet for a photo op at one side of the room. She thanked all for attending, and adjourned the meeting.

Arlyss Ponchuk, Recording Secretary

Nancy Sheppard, Outgoing President