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A Meeting of the British Columbia Golf Superintendents Association was held at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2010, at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre in Nanaimo, B.C.

A Quorum was established with 66 members present.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 pm

Moved by Jeff Bennett, seconded by Dave Purslow, that the agenda, as circulated, be approved. "Carried"

SPEAKERS:

CGSA - Tim Kubash & Ken Cousineau

Tim Kubash had previously distributed a document concerning a response to the consultation exercise put forth by the provincial government to determine if it should adopt legislation prohibiting the use of pesticides for cosmetic purposes and urged all members to respond to this issue as soon as possible as the deadline date is February 15, 2010.

The Province of British Columbia is currently conducting a consultation exercise to determine if it should adopt legislation prohibiting the use of pesticides for cosmetic purposes on both private and public lands. Although there is no indication that golf will be included in the prohibition, it is important for you to indicate your support for the submission that golf's use of Health Canada approved pesticide products is not cosmetic.

The consultation process is open until February 15, 2010 and we need your help to ensure that golf will not be prevented from using these products. Please contact your MLA and the government consultation coordinator to let them know all of the reasons why golf benefits the environment, the economy and the charitable components of our province.

The golf industry's position, as adopted by the National Allied Gold Associations with respect to pesticide use is that registered products used by licensed technicians should not be restricted but should be available as part of an integrated pest management strategy. This position is based on evidence from the scientific community that these products pose no unacceptable risk when used according to manufacturers' directions.

The Canadian golf industry uses only federally registered products approved for use on golf courses and these products are applied only by provincially licensed professionals.

Ken Cousineau stated that the Canadian Golf Superintendents Association is looking to British Columbia to join in this response to the "**Cosmetic Use of Pesticides in British Columbia – Consultation Forum**". He reiterated the importance of every member participating in the response as soon as possible as there is only two weeks left in the process.

WCTA – Jerry Rousseau

Jerry Rousseau spoke briefly addressing the meeting stating his position and summarizing this past year as a very busy one. It was a year of challenge and transition, both personally and professionally, with the relocation of his home, relocation of the WCTA office, the pesticide issue, the state of economy, as well as

hosting the conference in a brand new venue. He stated that a new Board of the WCTA would be announced later that evening.

NGCOA – Doug Ferne

Doug Ferne began by congratulating Jerry Rousseau for a job well done in hosting the Conference and Trade Show here in Nanaimo. The Economic Impact Study for Golf in Canada that was undertaken by the NGCOA came out in 2009 and has had good response. The NGCOA has been working with regional and national issues and will be on top of the HST to determine what impact it will be having on golf courses.

The "Cart Licensing" issue continues to be a priority of the NGCOA. They are in the third, and final phase of the process where they will now hire a consultant lobbyist group to circumvent the process. It will take an Order in Counsel to change the requirements, which will be about a 2-3 month process.

The NGCOA also reiterated the importance of every member responding to the "Cosmetic Use of Pesticides in British Columbia – Consultation Forum".

MINUTES:

Moved by Ralph Tromp, seconded by Brent Shanley, that the minutes of the meeting held September 21, 2009 be approved.

"Carried"

REPORTS:

President's Report – Presented by Rory Johnstone

As we head into the new decade we face many interesting issues; world economic failures, global warming and the environmental movement. As superintendents more and more of our time is spent is in dealing with government regulations and bureaucracy. As most of you are already aware the Provincial Government is holding Public Consultation of the Cosmetic use of Pesticides in British Columbia. The deadline for responses is February 15, 2010 it is most important that all members summit their feedback so that we have a strong voice on the issues. The report and the response form can be found on the provincial environment ministry website. The BCGSA office is sending an e-mail reminder to the members with the e-mail address.

I would like take this opportunity thank my fellow board members for their time and efforts and stepping up to volunteer for our association. Their dedication and guidance has made the job of president a much easier role to fill. As we move forward as an association I encourage all the members to take an active role in the BCGSA.

Rory Johnstone, BCGSA President

Office Report

Over the past month the office has primarily been busy with year-end financial statements, filing tax returns & GST, invoicing and collection of accounts, preparation for the Executive Meeting, AGM & Tradeshow. In addition we were kept busy helping the VIGSA with their third annual Charity Fundraiser for MS which was put on the BCGSA website.

2009 was a busy year for the office. Five for Five memberships increased by 9 from the previous year, Industry Packages were up by 12, totaling 23 companies altogether. We now have 30 web ads on the website up from about 23 last year.

Throughout the year the BCGSA was involved in: Pre-Conference Tournament in Victoria Registering the BCGSA with the Government Setting up for GST Collection Filing Income Tax Return Researching & setting up Director's Liability Insurance Kootenay Dues Collection Several Meetings regarding the Possible Expansion of the BCGSA Assisting with Lower Mainland for Exchange Tournament

In addition to the Roster, we published three issues of "The DogWood" in 2009. This fall saw our largest magazine ever with 56 pages and 36 advertisers.

The office has everything in place to undertake central billing of all members within the BCGSA. We hope to have the capability of accepting charge/debit card in place to make it easier for those wishing to pay by that means. Also, the government bringing in the HST to replace the GST could be a challenge to set up in the software program.

Online Auction – Over the last few weeks I have been working to try to restore the program that I used when we ran the online auction two years ago, with no success. After contacting our server, I was informed that the problem is probably due to changes in the way the automatic responder handled incoming bids. I then tried to contact the email contact I had that programmed the original program to see if he would work with me to get the software working, and the email bounced back as undeliverable after a few attempts. I have researched other software programs and cannot find one that will work the way we had it set up to enable an online auction. At this point I see no way that we can go forward with putting an auction online. The only possibility would be to go through EBAY or something similar, but members did not want to go that route the last time so it may not be a viable solution.

For this year's booth we decided to run a bit of a contest to promote interest at our booth. We had five pictures of golf courses made into 18×24 posts, one from each region, and will hold a "Name That Course" contest. The first entry pulled that contains 5 correct answers would be the winner. If no one has all 5 correct answers, it would be the first one pulled with the most correct answers. A BCGSA shirt will be given to the winner of the contest.

Our administration priorities over the next few months will be to invoice and collect outstanding accounts, invoice all regions for membership dues, Five for Five Memberships, Industry Packages, seek advertising and newsletter articles and put together the 2009 Membership Roster and the spring issue of the magazine. **Ralph & Ginny Tromp**,

Administration

Interior Region Report

As we prepare for another year, I can't help but reflect on how busy 2009 has been. It is a very interesting time in the golf maintenance world, and I'm sure we can all recall some discerning happenings, as well as some great accomplishments, both from our industry as a whole, down to our individual facilities activities.

The interior had a busy year with 6 meetings and a couple of social events. We had respectable attendance ranging from 23-40 members and guests. Thank you to the hosting superintendents who hosted 2 meetings in the Osoyoos region, 3 in the Kelowna area, and 1 in the Shuswap. We were fortunate to have some great speakers from various backgrounds. John Holland of IEPMA, Bob Wick and Rick Munro with the WCTA TARS program, Osoyoos Indian Band Chief Clarence Louis, John Reid of J. Reid & Associates Ltd, and Rick Munro of Greenside Environmental Services giving a pesticide CEC accredited presentation at our AGM.

The year saw 3 of our friends and colleagues honored with lifetime membership for their various contributions to our association and the industry over the years. We wish Ashley LeGeyt, Vern Burnell, and Rick Shillitto all the best in their future endeavors. Also, due to his countless contributions to the industry and his input in the implementation of The Pinnacle Award, it was decided by our membership the award be changed to The Ashley LeGeyt Pinnacle Award.

We were fortunate enough to have 2 great social events in 2009. One of which saw 36 members and guests enjoy a beautiful Okanagan day aboard a houseboat on Okanagan Lake in July, and then Art Riome and Brad Turnbull of Fairview Mountain played host to a great day of golf and camaraderie at our Fall Wind Up in October. Thanks to them for the great day and to Jeff Bennett for organizing the House Boat.

We also sought to give back to our communities, our association, and provide for the future of our industry, so in 2009 several donations and scholarships were presented.

-After an informative presentation by John Holland of IEPMA at our April meeting, we chose to make a donation of \$1000 towards their cause of public awareness in the ongoing pesticide saga.

-We had a bear made in the likeness of friend and colleague Ashley LeGeyt for The Good News Bear food bank fundraiser through CHBC.

-A \$500 scholarship was awarded to Justin Nicholas of Gallaghers Canyon Golf Club to help assist in his studies at Kwantlen College, and a donation of \$330 was made to the Kwantlen College Turf Club for their 2010 WCTA conference fundraising program.

All in all 2009 was a busy, yet rewarding year for the Interior Chapter. I hope that 2010 is as exciting for us and all of the chapters of the BCGSA. All the best in 2010. Respectfully Submitted,

Davin Marr, President Interior Region

Kootenay Region Report

What is with this weather? Here in the Kootenays we are experiencing less snow and more rain. The weather patterns last season to me seemed a bit off from previous years having us go from one extreme to another. The spring started off cold and wet and then over night right into summer conditions; the same weather pattern going into the fall. It seems that only yesterday we were putting our courses to bed and settling in for a long winter. With the milder conditions it makes one take more notice of what's happening on the course. So far the snow cover has blocked any light rain from making its way to the turf canopy forming ice. Reports coming in are more positive with more snow cover and less ice. Let's keep our fingers crossed that Mother Nature doesn't throw us a curve ball in March.

Our meeting schedule for the 2010 season is well on its way and includes the following:

March 16, Revelstoke Golf Club, host Jairad Burke. Seminar tba. May 18, Copper Point Golf Club, Host Dave Lister. Seminar tba. June 15, Creston Valley Golf Club, host Devon Davidson. WCTA traveling road show?? (To be confirmed) and golf.

August Fall Field Day , date and time TBD.

November 16, AGM Cranbrook.

I would like to thank all host superintendents for taking the time to plan and organize these events. We would like to encourage you all to attend the fall field day in August. As so as the location and date for the Fall Field Day is determined I will send notification out to all members.

We would like to take this time to wish Greg Borle a happy retirement. Greg Borle has been the superintendent of Fairmont Mountainside Golf Course for the past 30+ years and an active member of the BCGSA. Greg is a well respected superintendent and his presents within our chapter and association will be missed. We all wish you the best of luck.

Kevin Shiefner, President Kootenay Region

Lower Mainland Region Report

In business, we tend to look to the future more than we spend time reminiscing about the past. 2009 was a unique year for the Lower Mainland and one that we may reflect upon in our future endeavors. A bad

economy, extreme weather conditions, building a city for the 2010 Olympics, and the BCGSA Fall Exchange were a few of the highlights that impacted many of our members throughout the year.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts and service that Past President, Kent Bird put into reforming our chapter. Kent has always supported our industry, his fellow Superintendents, and has invested much of his personal time toward uniting and advancing our business. I wish Kent the best of luck in his new endeavors and thank him for the service that he has generously given to the Lower Mainland chapter and the BCGSA.

In 2009 the Lower Mainland executive put forward an education proposal to improve meeting attendance and add a CEC component to each meeting. This format was well received and it is a program that we will continue with in the future. We had guest speakers from across Canada who presented on an array of matters aimed at helping us to become more informed professionals. Our meeting attendance was up considerably from years past and member participation is an area that we will continue to focus on in 2010.

The Lower Mainland Executive did an excellent job this year and I would like to thank Rick Scott, Treasurer, Mike Ferdinandi, Secretary and Wade Hawksworth, Past President for all of their hard work and dedication. Amongst our executive team, Wade officially became known as "Mr. Seven Time Past President" which only begins to describe the contribution Wade has made in our region throughout his tenure. We are all wishing Wade great success with his upcoming renovation project this summer and thank him for everything that he has contributed to our profession.

2010 will be another year full of challenges that will require a united front in our region and association at large. I look forward to serving the members of the Lower Mainland Chapter as President and as a member of the BCGSA Board of Directors.

Adam Zubek, President Lower Mainland Region

Northern Region Report

Reflecting back on 2009, it most certainly was a year of transition and change. With the combined effects of a long winter, late spring and economic slowdown, many northern golf courses were forced to find ways to reduce expenses to make up for reduced revenues.

Most northern golf courses adapted to this change by reducing where it seemed most possible, namely labour. All facilities operated with less staff while no golf courses reported lower golfer expectations of course conditions. Add to this the threat of looming issues regarding the use of "cosmetic" pesticides, reduced operating budgets, lower salaries and uncertainty regarding the direction of our professional association and it is apparent all of us are under a greater amount of pressure than ever before.

Although the pressure is ever increasing on us all, also increasing is the sense of unity within our chapter. Having hosted a deep sea fishing excursion this past summer in Prince Rupert, the northern chapter continues to build its strength through camaraderie and education. We are proud of the strong bond we all share, particularly during the tough times we are facing. We may work longer hours, our budgets may shrink and our pay cheques might lose a decimal point or a zero, but one thing we will never lose is the experiences we share together or the friendships we build and foster along the way.

Looking forward, our chapter voted unanimously against expansion of the BCGSA as it was proposed and presented. Our chapter wanted all BCGSA members to know when rejecting this proposal that although we voted against it, we do agree that expansion is an idea that deserves further discussion. Simply put, as a chapter we desire to be permitted more time for discussion so that we may have some input and investigate the idea further. Respectfully submitted,

Greg Austin, Past President Northern Region

Vancouver Island Region Report

The past year was another busy season for the golf superintendents of the Vancouver Island Region. The effects of the recession may have affected the revenue intake at their respective courses. Nonetheless, our members were as busy as ever, having to be more resourceful due to the lack of funds available to them. The golfing clientele were not disappointed in the slightest in the playing conditions that they enjoyed.

Our region was very saddened, as the whole industry was, by the passing of Dave Creamer on May 5. Dave has been a long time friend to many in the industry. In regards to being a golf superintendent, he was the truest professional that any one in our industry would have ever had the pleasure of meeting. Dave's passion for and commitment to not only his work, but also to his family, is an inspiration to so many that knew him. There was a memorial service held for Dave at the Crown Isle Golf Club on May 11. By the many people in attendance, both from the industry and the community, demonstrated how Dave was revered. He will be greatly missed.

Our meetings through 2009 were at some great venues, had some great attendance and good quality guest speakers. In April the meeting was at the recently opened Highland Pacific Golf Course, which was hosted by greens superintendent Geoff Sheffield. The guest speaker was Jonathan Chui who was from the University of Victoria's Department of Chemistry.

In June we had our annual Pro/Super Tournament, which was hosted by greens superintendent Dean Piller. In the morning there was another very successful roundtable discussion where both superintendents and golf pros participated. The golf tournament was won by the team from Bear Mountain.

Jay Barner, greens superintendent of Pheasant Glen Golf Course, hosted our July meeting. The W.C.T.A. Traveling Road Show was in attendance.

Executive Director, Jerry Rousseau, updated us on the happenings of the W.C.T.A. Bob Wick and Rich Monroe gave presentations on chemical safety and Audubon Certification respectively.

The August meeting was held in the Comox Valley at Glacier Greens Golf Course. Host Greens Superintendent Steve Bailey hosted us. Darcy Olds, from Bayer, updated us on the latest research findings with disease control.

On September 20-21 a number of our members attended the B.C.G.S.A. Exchange Tournament at the Whistler Golf Club. Congratulations to Kent Bird, host superintendent Dave Gottselig and the rest of the Lower Mainland Region for the excellent job they did in hosting us.

In October the Vancouver Island Region had its annual Fall-Windup Tournament at the Royal Oak Golf Club. During the meeting we were privileged to hear from Dr. Brian Holl of Lorimar Enterprises. He formerly was the head instructor of the Turfgrass Program at the University of British Columbia. Our host, greens superintendent Greg Kowalski did a fabulous job in arranging the event. The Vancouver Island Region would like to thank all of those who hosted and sponsored us through the past year. We look forward to another great year in 2010. Respectfully submitted.

Mike Kearns, President, Vancouver Island Region

Report from the BC Director to the Canadian Golf Superintendents Associaion

Now more than ever, we are living in an informational age, words like Facebook and Twitter, were unknown a few years ago, and now they are a daily ritual for many people. Organizations that wish to stay current and relevant for their membership must embrace new technology to satisfy their members' needs.

The CGSA is committed to improving its accessibility to its Superintendent members.

This year we have been posting seminar and webinar information on Facebook, currently there are 210 fans of the CGSA on Facebook. This is a great way to stay informed on current events and offerings from the CGSA.

Hopefully you have had a chance to visit the CGSA website: golfsupers.com One of its best features is it allows a CGSA member to access the Turfgrass Information File hosted by Michigan State University. Past and current issues of almost every trade journal related to turf has been archived on this site. The site contains every GreenMaster issue ever published, and they go back to 1966.

Our website will be undergoing an overhaul over the next year. This redesign should make the site more user friendly, and a go to place for our members when they have a question or problem they need help with. We expect this redesign to take much of 2010 to complete, and we are targeting the new website launch date early in 2011.

Our new GreenMaster magazine which is also available through our website, was unveiled this past year. The new look is current, and with every new issue more content is translated into our second official language. As always your input is required to make this magazine successful, we only had two Superintendent authored articles last year.

In the August 25th 2009 *Speech from the Throne*, the Government of British Columbia committed to consult British Columbians on "new statutory protections to further safeguard the environment from cosmetic chemical pesticides." The Ministry of Environment has prepared background information and identified consultation issues for discussion to build understanding about the subject and provide a structure for comments and feedback.

The ministry has posted a Public Consultation Paper on the BC Provincial Government website. This link will direct you to the Consultation Forum the ministry has also set up.

(http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/ipmp/regs/cosmetic-pesticides/consultation.htm) The website includes a response form to seek comments from British Columbians interested in this topic. Read that to mean "the squeaky wheel will get the grease".

It is very important that every turf manager does what he/she can to make their opinion count. To assist us with this the CGSA has prepared a submission letter on behalf of BC Superintendents. Please go to the CGSA website, read up on the subject, and send in a letter voicing your opinion on a possible cosmetic pesticide ban. This pesticide ban is gaining momentum, we need to use the strength of our numbers and ensure we are heard. Feb 15, 2010 is the deadline for submissions, the time to act is now.

Let me know if there is anything else the CGSA can be doing for you.

Tim Kubash BC Director, CGSA

Moved by Garth Sjolie, seconded by Brett Lamontagne, that all reports, as distributed, be accepted. "Carried"

Financial Report

Moved by Ron Olaussen, seconded by Dave Purslowe, that the Financial Statement for the year 2009 be accepted.

"Carried"

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Capability of Using Charge

It was reported that the BCGSA will be set up to accept charge cards within the next two to three weeks.

Online Auction

A problem has come up with the software program that ran the previous online auction. Further information will be forthcoming once the problem has been resolved.

NEW BUSINESS: 2010 Budget

Moved by Brett Lamontagne, seconded by Brent Shanley, that the proposed budget for 2010 be approved. "Carried"

Brian Finnigan Memorial Bursary Fund

There will be two recipients of the Brian Finnigan Memorial Bursary this year and each will be presented with a cheque in the amount of five hundred dollars; Gerrit Woods from Nicklaus North Golf Course and Justin Nicholas from Gallagher's Canyon Golf Course.

Education Research Fund

A cheque in the amount of \$1,000.00 will be presented to the Western Canada Turfgrass Association Research Fund at the banquet.

Superintendent of the Year Award

Stephen Kerbrat was named as the BCGSA 2009 Superintendent of the Year and will be honoured at the banquet.

Article of the Year Award

Brian Youell was the recipient of the Article of the Year Award for his article on "Hosting the Victoria Open – Then and Now" and will be presented with a certificate and BCGSA Jacket.

BCGSA Booth Contest

The BCGSA ran a contest at its booth this year where members had to name five golf courses, one from each region. The winner of the contest was Tim Kubash who correctly named two of the five courses and was presented with a BCGSA golf shirt.

2010 Exchange Tournament

The Exchange Tournament for 2010 will be held in the Kootenay Region this year. Information on when and where it will be held will be forthcoming shortly.

Update on Expansion Proposal

At the 2009 BCGSA Annual General Meeting held March 2nd in Victoria, B.C., Brian Youell put forward a motion that the Board of Directors explore the possibility the hiring of an executive director. A committee was formed with Brian Youell, Dean Piller, Rory Johnstone and Kevin Shiefner and was chaired by Dean Piller. A report was presented to the membership at the Exchange Tournament held September 20, 2009 in Whistler, B.C. After lengthy discussion it was decided to table the report until the 2010 AGM, allowing sufficient time for the regional representatives to take the proposal back to their regional meetings for input by all of the membership. A copy of the Power Point presentation was made available to all members. The feedback from the majority of regional chapters was not to proceed in the direction as presented in the report.

The Board of Directors, after much discussion, sees the need for the BCGSA to have a spokesperson/executive director in some form. The need for representation at the Provincial and Federal levels of government in dealing with environmental and pesticide issues makes it imperative that our voice be heard. The workload and time commitment to deal with issues cannot be met by volunteer positions. The Board would like to form a Strategic Planning Committee with members from each region to allow for province wide representation that will outline and plan the steps needed to move forward.

Correspondence

Brett Lamontagne read out a letter he had previously submitted to the Board regarding the need for the BCGSA to move forward in putting a spokesperson in place for the BCGSA. The floor was then open to discussion on the issue of the expansion proposal.

Expansion Proposal

A lengthy discussion took place on the proposal for the expansion of the BCGSA. Concerns/comments that arose were as follows:

- Trevor Smith, Non-voting Industry Member voiced his opinion that such a proposal would cause splintering and fragmenting of the industry and that it would be better to work with the WCTA rather than to go forward with a proposal to have an official representative for the BCGSA with the pesticide issue that is currently taking place, there needs to be a unified front and now is not the time for separating
- Steve Warnes, Non-voting Industry Member stated that the proposal to put a spokesperson in place is a good one and he supports the concept
- T J McNamara Member expressed his concern that separating superintendents from other turf grass managers makes them weaker and that there has to be a strong voice from the industry, especially now with the pesticide issues facing the industry
- Ralph Tromp Member stated that there already is a joint alliance of representatives in place where officials from each organization work jointly together for the betterment of the industry; the BC Allied Golf Association, comprised of the NGCOA, BCGA, WCTA, and the BCGSA but that the BCGSA has been absent over the last year or so
- Trevor Smith, Non-voting Industry Member further urged the BCGSA to approach the WCTA and join forces under their leadership rather than to form another association
- Dean Piller, Member addressed the meeting by clarifying his position and the proposal he set out in Whistler. He also stated that there is no talk of forming another association, the BCGSA is already an association and that all what is being sought is to have someone in place in a leadership role, someone who can allocate the time to spend on all the various duties that cannot be met through volunteer directors.
- Jerry Rousseau, Non-voting Alliance Member was asked for his opinion on the subject and said that the WCTA is already involved with more consultation regarding the pesticide issue and that a lobbyist may be what is required moreso. He did state that having said that, there is a need for the BCGSA to be more involved and encourages and welcomes the growth of the BCGSA.
- Dave Duncan, Non-voting Industry Member stated that he will work with the BCGSA and stated that the most important thing is that the industry stay unified, especially with the pesticide issues that are being faced
- Jeff Bennett, Member suggested that perhaps we need to put someone in place to lobby for the turfgrass association. Someone suggested that the figure would probably be around \$50,000.00 to get started. It was suggested that Jeffrey be approached as the best person to lobby for our cause.
- TJ McNamara Member suggested that the various associations within the turfgrass industry join as a collective group to hire someone to fight for this cause
- Ken Cousineau Non-voting Alliance Member was asked to address the meeting as to how the
 pesticide issue was handled in Ontario and Ken stated that the R.C.G.A., the C.G.S.A. and the
 O.G.S.A. worked collectively together to combat the Ontario pesticide ban. He also stated that at
 this point it would not be necessary to hire a lobbyist as the government has not gone forward
 with legislature at this time, but that it is imperative for all members to lobby the government and
 endorse their letters

A Strategic Planning Committee was formed to further investigate the proposal for the expansion of the BCGSA where it is hoped that some decision can be reached and a plan of action taken that can be

presented to the membership at the Exchange Tournament Meeting in the Kootenays. The committee is as follows:

Darren Reddekopp – Kootenay Region Steven Kerbrat – Northern Region TJ McNamara – Interior Region Brett Lamontagne – Vancouver Island Region Adam Zubek – Lower Mainland Region

Rory Johnstone asked Adam Zubek to chair the Committee. He also stated that all costs incurred for conference calls would be covered by the BCGSA office.

Dave Duncan extended an invitation for anyone on the committee to attend any/all of the meetings.

IEMPA

Jeff Bennett suggested that the Board approach Jeffrey Lowes to find out what sum of money we are looking at should the BCGSA decide to retain his services. Craig Lewis suggested that the Board should determine the appropriate amount of money to forward to Jeffrey Lowes.

CALL FOR ANY OTHER BUSINESS FROM FLOOR:

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Trevor Jones, that there being no further business, the meeting adjourn. (Adjournment @ 5:45 pm)

Rory Johnstone President

Greg Austin, Vice President