



Seniors and Law Enforcement Together
Making a Difference in our Communities

July 17, 2012

11:00 AM, Super 8

Attendance:

**Nell Laur
Robert Schulz, chair
Donna McKelvie
June Caul
Sue Drew
Vicky Wishart
Arlene Lamb
Krista Nielson, NWHU
Anne McCoy, OPP**

**Mary Demianiw
Elva Ossachuk
Ruth Caldwell
Mike Bird
Marjorie Katerick
Gerri Yerxa, CMHA – Older Adults
Erma Armit, ALAG chair
Ian Simpson
Grace Silander, SC -RRD**

- 1.0 Introductions were made for those present, and new attendees welcomed.**
- 2.0 Discussion: Are there any omissions or errors in minutes of June 26 meeting? Grace reported that the minutes were incorrect in stating that an error had been made in the financial report. The only problem was that the on-screen information was not matching the printed out version. Grace has checked and verified that the amounts reported are correct. June motioned to approve the minutes, *with the correction made*. Donna seconded the motion.**
- 3.0 Discussion: SALT & ALAG Advisory Council positions to be filled. The original advisory council positions were filled a couple of years ago and some of the members are not living in the area any longer, or are no longer members of the group.**

Positions to be filled are: Vice-Chair (for both SALT & ALAG), and back-up secretary.

- **Erma** nominated **Nell** for SALT Vice-Chair, **Donna** seconded the nomination. With no other nominations, **Nell** agreed to accept the position.
- **Donna** nominated **June** for ALAG Vice-Chair, **Nell** seconded the nomination. With no other nominations, **June** agreed to accept the position.
- **Marjorie** nominated **Sue** to be back-up secretary, **June** seconded the nomination. With no other nominations, **Sue** accepted the position.

SALT	ALAG
Chair: Robert Schulz	Chair: Erma Armit
Co-Chair: Erma Armit	Co-Chair: Robert Schulz
Vice-Chair: Nell Laur	Vice-Chair: June Caul
Secretary: Krista Nielson	Secretary: Krista Nielson
Back-up Secretary: Sue Drew	Back-up Secretary: Sue Drew

4.0 Discussion: SALT Policies & Procedures -- at the meeting of June 26th, the group discussed the changes in SALT policies & procedures (the changes involed adding in financial procedures). While the changes were shared, they had not yet been approved. **Mike** made a motion to approve the updated Policy & Procedures document; **Nell** seconded the motion.

5.0 Update/Report: ALAG survey. Robert began by once again thanking all those that had a hand in creating, distributing, and assisting with the ALAG survey. Erma and Robert both shared that while they have received many comments about the survey, they have not heard any negative feedback to date. Ian then shared his report, which included information from the press release to be in July 18th's Fort Frances Times. See attached ALAG survey report for details.

6.0 Discussion: Seniors Appreciation Gala Event. A sub-committee needs to be established to plan this event, which will be held in the fall – Friday, November 16, 2012, at the Rendez-Vous. The Appreciation Gala will recognize people that have helped and

continue to help with SALT & ALAG's initiatives and events. We will continue to do our best to track people that help out in any way. Volunteers for the Gala sub-committee were: Anne, Donna, June, Erma, Nell & Krista.

7.0 Discussion: Quotes for equipment to be used in Elder Abuse (and any other SALT/ALAG) presentations. Three quotes have been obtained by Anne for a laptop, applicable software, and projector:

- Future Shop → \$1952.58
- Sight & Sound → \$2,248.80
- Tiger Direct → \$1338.95 **this quote does not include tax/delivery charge

The group discussed the various prices and agreed that there are many benefits to purchasing equipment locally. All of the quotes fit within the budget. Anne also shared that the Sight & Sound quote includes a portable screen; but Anne has access to one already that could be used. Perhaps Sight & Sound would be willing to negotiate a deal for our group. Nell also suggested that we obtain a quote from Wilson's. It was decided that Anne will obtain a revised quote from Sight & Sound, and also a quote from Wilson's, to bring back to our September meeting.

8.0 Discussion: SALT website (www.ffi salt.com) : Nell will remove the link to the ALAG survey from the website. The group discussed if additional help will be needed to maintain the website, it was agreed that at this time no extra help is needed. Nell will continue to do updates as needed; Sue & Krista have also done the training to do updates if required. The group discussed the listing of seniors services on the website. It was suggested that 211 be added to the directory. (211 is a number that can be called to get information about any community and social services, in any community in Ontario). Nell commented that it would be a great idea to compile a hard copy of all of that information, as there are still many people that do not use computers. This is also an idea that was discussed at ALAG's strategic planning session in March.

9.0 Update: EAGER B's: Krista shared that the EAGER B's have partnered with two other community groups (the community garden & active transportation) to apply for money to fund activities. We hope to hear back about the funding in November. Sue shared that the EAGER B's are continuing to meet at 2:00 on Mondays at the Harborage to go walking (or poling). If the weather doesn't co-operate, the group goes inside for coffee instead.

10.0 Financial/Correspondance:

- We have received 3 invoices from Tess' Kitchen. These are for the lunches from our previous 3 meetings (May 1st, June 5th, June 26th), each in the amount of \$152.55. The total amount owing to Tess's Kitchen is \$457.65. Marjorie made a motion to pay the amount owing to Tess's; Gerri seconded the motion. All were in favour of paying Tess's Kitchen.
- The group discussed pre-paying Tess for meeting lunches until March. If we make one lump sum payment, we will have a credit with Tess and will not have to worry about monthly billing. Anne made a motion to pre-pay for meeting lunches; Erma seconded the motion. 15 were in favour of passing the motion; 3 against. The motion was passed. The group discussed that the cost of meeting lunches may be too high. At the same time, the group recognized that Tess has been providing lunches for SALT & ALAG for 3 years and does offer a competitive price. Group members may explore other catering options for other SALT/ALAG events and activities.
- We have an invoice from Fort Frances General Supply in the amount of \$33.90. Donna made a motion to pay the invoice; Nell seconded the motion. All were in favour of paying Fort Frances General Supply.

11.0 Financial Report (Grace): As some issues have been happening with Simply Accounting (computer program), it was decided at the SC-RRD board meeting that Grace would complete and share a manual report with the SALT/ALAG groups. Grace will change the line that reads "10% Admin fee"; although the

amount of \$1244.50 is correct. (This refers to the admin fee for running the money through Safe Communities – Rainy River District’s account). Grace reported that all invoices will be kept on record, along with the cheque #'s from the cheques used to pay invoices. SC-RRD will keep a copy; New Horizons also receives a copy.

- The operating budget *prior to today’s meeting, is:* \$22,101.78. *see attached financial report for details.* Donna made a motion to accept the financial report; June seconded the motion. (see attached financial report for details)
- Erma shared that she has received a \$50 donation from a donor that would like to remain anonymous. This money will be deposited into the Senior’s Coalition general account (also through SC-RRD). At future meetings, Grace will also report on the general account.

12.0 Thank you/Farewell: Robert presented Mike with a plaque in honor of his commitment and dedication to SALT. Mike was a founding member of the group and will be missed greatly. Mike and his wife are moving to Vancouver and will be close to family members there.

13.0 Adjournment: Our next meeting will be September 18th, 2012 @ 11:00, NWHU Boardroom (396 Scott St) ****NOTE: Super 8 is not available for us so we will be at the NWHU again****