

Summary of Constitution and By-Laws Committee
May 11, 2006
National Office Boardroom
5:45 p.m.

Present: C. Therrien, J. Aggrey, D. Brackley, C. Lakaski, M. Monaghan, R. Oslund, A. Picotte, P. Rosen, D. Martin, F. Logan.

Absent: B. Belhadji, G. Myres, L. Pomerleau.

1. Memoriam of Trong Nguyen:

There was agreement that the Association should have a policy to recognize volunteers of the Association on an annual basis, this could be the form of a plaque or a memento.

Action: It was moved by P. Rosen, seconded by J. Aggrey, that the National Executive Committee establish an award in the memory of Trong Nguyen and that it be presented at the Annual General Meeting. **Carried unanimously.**

2. Composition of C & B Committee:

There was discussion about the number of meetings that members can be absent from consecutively and whether or not there should be a process in place of removing them after three subsequent absences.

Action: J. Aggrey agreed to draft wording for Clause 11 of the Constitution in regards to "Removal of members on Sub-Committees" for the next meeting.

C. Therrien agreed to contact the three members in relation to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee to inquire whether or not they are still interested in participating.

3. Matters Arising:

Wordsmithing

It was agreed that the Constitution and By-Laws require a complete review in order to flag any errors and further additions that may be needed.

Action: Submit any idea's and provide suggestions to C. Therrien before the end of Summer.

Political Neutrality

It was moved by P. Rosen, seconded by J. Aggrey, **that** Clause 11.3 of the CAPE Constitution be amended by deleting from it the words `except for the Elections Committee`.

11.3 The President shall be an ex-officio member of all sub-committees, ~~except for the Elections Committee.~~

And

That Clause 11.3 of the CAPE Constitution be further amended by adding the following new provision immediately after it:

11.3.1 No member of the National Executive Committee shall be a member of the Elections Committee.

It was moved by R. Oslund, seconded by D. Brackely, that the first paragraph and the word "and" be deleted. **Carried.**

A. Picotte proposed a friendly amendment to add the word "sitting" after the first word. Amendment was accepted.

The Main motion carried as amended reads:

` 11.3.1 No sitting member of the National Executive Committee shall be a member of the Elections Committee.`.

4. Prescribed Procedures for the Creation of Sub Committees and Appointments:

Action: J. Aggrey will draft a By-Law for the next meeting.

5. Direction subsequent to the NEC Retreat with respect to C & B Committee:

Action: To be discussed at the next meeting after the NEC Retreat.

6. Follow-up:

Recommendations from 2004 Election Committee:

Action: J. Aggrey agreed to re- draft By-Law 3.9 in regards the power of decision making to the sub-committee hearing an appeal.

Draft clause of Article 14.2

Action: M. Monaghan will draft some wording and bring forward at the next meeting.

7. Other Business

There was no other business.

Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2006.

Adjournment

It was moved by P. Rosen, seconded by A. Picotte that the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. **Carried.**