



Nanaimo Mid-Island Branch No. 600

Minutes: Membership Meeting, Branch 600

DATE: October 13, 2026

Location: Unitarian Fellowship Hall, 595 Townsite Road, Nanaimo

1. Call to Order, 1:30 pm

Welcome everyone,

Today our Special Guest Speaker is Lydia Moulder, Estate and Trust Specialist from Coastal Community Credit Union, Private Wealth Group. She spoke on estate planning – **plan now** to avoid problems later. There is a huge increase in estate litigation because of family issues and because our estates are now greater in value. Probate determines if the will is valid. Enduring power of attorney – designates who can spend your money while you are alive. Cornerstone of estate planning is your will. Spouses and children can go to court to have the will varied. Choosing an executor – choose person who can do the job – organized, trustworthy, will do the job. The executor can be a corporation. Power Of Attorney can be the same person as the executor. Medical Representation Agreement- this determines your wishes concerning health care and end of life care. Trusts – for minor children or adults with disabilities. Plan now and think about taxes as without forward planning they can be very high. Common pitfalls in estate planning – poor communication, second marriages, divorce, not chatting with kids to let them know your wishes, putting kids on house title, bank accounts which lets them spend without your knowledge.

For more information call Lydia Moulder Lydia.moulder@cccu.ca 250-228-0364. She will happily meet with our members to assist them in estate planning.

Thanks to Lydia for an excellent presentation. Roz gifted her with a notebook and pen.

2. Executive Roll Call:

☒ Lea Campbell – Chairperson

☒ Warren McCormick - Membership/Treasurer

☒ Roz Kennedy – 1st Vice-Chair/Programs

☒ Chris Crabtree – Phoning Committee

☒ Kathy Torhjelm – Secretary

☐ Vacant – Director, Special Events

There are 19 in attendance.

3. Adoption of the Minutes from September 8, 2026. M/S Lawrence Johnson/ Gloria Johnson. Carried.



4. Correspondence -

a) Received the invoice from BCGEU for the Postage used to mail out the Newsletter to members with no email addresses. Paid \$60.27 on October 6, 2026.

b) An email from Brenda, the Office Administrator, noting the fresh updates of the hall's new paint job. Asking that we take extra care when putting tables and chairs away.

5. Treasurer Report – Warren McCormick - Bank balance is \$ 4220.89

6. Membership Report – Warren McCormick – Membership is about 530

7. Special Events - Preparation for the Christmas Dinner is in the works. The location will be Ricky's All Day Grill Nanaimo South, same as last year. (Parking with no stairs at the front, facing the hwy.) Tickets will be \$20 a person, members and non-members. Arrive at 11:45 with food ordered at noon off the seniors' menu. Call Chris 250-816-1449 if you have any questions.

8. Guest Speakers – Lea Guest speakers for the remainder of 2026.

Nov 10 – Scott Myers, Manager, Transit Relations & Planning, Regional District of Nanaimo

9. Unfinished Business:

Announcement = Is there anyone willing to assist with meeting set ups, ie tables and chairs?

Also a helper with the coffee, etc. would also be appreciated.

10. New Business:

11. Good and Welfare – Books Exchange to continue.

One \$30. Gift Card from Country Grocer will be drawn. Gloria Johnson won the draw.

12. Next Meeting – Nov 10 , 2026, 1:30 pm

At the Unitarian Fellowship Hall, 595 Townsite Road, Nanaimo

13. Adjournment: Roger Lytton adjourned, at 2:40
