

### Annual Compact Meeting

### Membership of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants

Saturday, October 19, 2019, Noon – 12:30 p.m. Toronto Cricket Club, 141 Wilson Ave., Toronto

> Call in number – 515-606-5309 Access code: 473992

#### **Meeting Minutes**

- 1. Welcome and Call to order *George G. McNeillie III, Governor: Called to Order at 12:00 Noon Present: George G McNeillie III, Susan Roser, Becket Soule, George Nye, Paul Roney, Glenn Cook and by phone Bill Curry.*
- 2. **Motion:** Approval of the Agenda: Motion moved by Bill Goss and seconded by Paul Roney carried by unanimous vote.
- 3. Reading of the Mayflower Compact Nancy Conn
- 4. Descendants Roll Call *Glenn Cook: Howland most descendants at 8; Alden, Mullins, and Tilley each with 6 came in second.*
- 5. Necrology and Grace *Rev. Becket Soule, Elder*
- 6. **Motion**: Approval of the minutes of the October 20, 2018 annual compact meeting: Motion moved by Gary Bennett and seconded by Connie Bright carried by unanimous vote.
- 7. Reports of Officers copies on tables
- 8. Actions of the CSMD Board September 28, 2019



- a. **Motion:** That the financial statements of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants as at June 30, 2019 be accepted. Moved by Susan Roser and seconded by Connie Bright passed by unanimous vote.
- b. **Motion**: to waive appointment of an auditor or public accountant for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019; and that unaudited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 be prepared by the Treasurer. Moved by Nathan Means and seconded by George Nye passed by unanimous vote.
- 9. Nominating Committee Report Motion: Approval of the Nominations Committee Report: Recommendations: Bill Curry as Governor; Rev. Becket Soule as Deputy Governor; John Noble as Co-Historian; Susan Roser, George McNeillie and Elaine Senack as Members-at-Large. Elaine Senack is also appointed as Assistant Historian. Motion made by Paul Roney and seconded by Gary Bennett vote to accept all appointments was unanimous.

The following positions need to be filled: Treasurer; Editor; Corresponding Secretary; Captain; Librarian.

- 10. New business No new business
- Old Business Grant of Arms from the Canadian Heraldic Authority; Reported on by George G McNeillie that has been completed and we are waiting on the arrival of the official documents.
- 12. Adjournment: Motion made by Nathan Means and seconded by Gary Bennett passed by unanimous vote,



13. Social hour

- 14. Luncheon
- 15. Guest speaker The Rev. Becket Soule, O.P. A wonderful informative presentation on "A Civill Body Politick" regarding the basis and limitations of government in the foundational documents and experience of the Colony of New Plymouth.

Total attendees for the meeting was 31

#### **Mayflower Compact**

In the name of God, Amen. We, whose names are underwritten, the loyal subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King James, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, defender of the Faith, etc.



Having undertaken, for the Glory of God, and advancements of the Christian faith and honor of our King and Country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the Northern parts of Virginia, do by these presents, solemnly and mutually, in the presence of God, and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil body politic; for our better ordering, and preservation and furtherance of the ends aforesaid; and by virtue hereof to enact, constitute, and frame, such just and equal laws, ordinances, acts, constitutions, and offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general good of the colony; unto which we promise all due submission and obedience.

In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names at Cape Cod the 11th of November, in the year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King James, of England, France, and Ireland, the eighteenth, and of Scotland the fifty-fourth, 1620.

#### LUNCHEON PROGRAM

- Welcome George McNeillie, Governor
- Toast to the Queen –



- Invocation The Rev. Becket Soule, O.P.
- Buffet lunch
- Raffle draws
- Guest Speaker

**The topic**: "A ciuill body politick" in the Mayflower Compact: Something Old and Something New. Reflections on the basis, and limitations, of government in the foundational documents and experience of the Colony of New Plymouth.

**Speaker:** The Rev. Becket Soule is Professor of Canon Law at Saint Paul's University in Ottawa, and a member of the Dominican Order (Order of Preachers). Proud of his Mayflower heritage, he is descended from twelve signers of the Mayflower Compact and serves as Elder of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants; he is currently working as editor of a revision of the George Soule silver book.