

## **Annual Compact Meeting**

### Membership of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants

Sunday, November 1, 2020, 2:00 PM Atlantic Time

### **ZOOM Meeting**

- 1. Call to order A quorum being present, Governor Bill Curry called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.
- 2. Board Members present: Bill Curry, Becket Soule, Maureen McGee, Judi Archibald, George McNeillie, Elaine Senack, John Noble, Paul Roney, Cheryl Anderson, Glenn Cook. Society Members present: Ann Murphy, Nathan Mean, Merna Forster, Lois Abraham, Lois Stephens, Janet Ross-Kerr, Pat Menzies, Dan Hayward
- 3. A quorum for holding meeting determined.
- 4. Motion to ratify four decisions made by the Board through electronic voting between meetings made by George and seconded by Maureen. Motion carried by unanimous vote. These decisions included honorary life membership for George Hayward, holding a special Congress by ZOOM, purchase of a ZOOM account and Policy 12 revision. All electronic votes had been passed by unanimous decisions by the Board.
- 5. Roll Call of descendants of Mayflower Passengers
- 6. Mayflower Compact read
- 7. Approval of the minutes of the October 19, 2019 annual compact meeting Motion that the minutes of the 2017 annual general meeting be approved was made by Judy and seconded by Becket. Motion carried unanimous vote.
- 8. Necrology Becket read out the names of Society members deceased since the 2019 compact meeting.
- 9. Reports of Officers and Committees

Copies of Officer reports were distributed prior to meeting by email. Highlights were given by Officers at this time.



**Governor's / Nova Scotia Colony Report – Bill Curry** reported that his term with Nova Scotia Colony has been completed. Cheryl Anderson will take over responsibility for the Colony. Report on Junior Members program shows we currently have 22 members.

Tresurer's Report – Maureen McGee - Presentation of the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2020 Maureen gave an overview of the Financial Statement and a motion to accept the statement was made by John and seconded by George. Motion carried by unanimous vote. A second motion was made by Becket and seconded by Nathan to waive hiring an auditor to go over the finances for the Society and for Treasurer to prepare the audit for approval. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

# Nominating Committee Report - Election of Officers and Assistants – Report on Open Positions and Call for Volunteers

Captain position was approved to be held by George McNeillie III At-Large position was approved to be held by Cheryl Anderson

Motion was made to accept the report of the Nominating Committee by Merna and seconded by Maureen. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion was made to accept the reports of all of the Officers by Elaine and seconded by Lois. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

### **Open Positions**

Corresponding Secretary –
Surgeon –
Editor –
Treasurer –
Librarian –

George volunteered to send out to the full membership a list of open positions to see if anyone would volunteer for these open positions.



Discussion was held regarding the use of the Ancestry database by our Historians during the document approval process. They have been purchasing their memberships at their own expense to do the work of the Society. Following extensive discussion, it was decided that the Society should pay for one membership to the World Ancestry Database and one membership to NEHGS database American Ancestor in the name of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants. Following a period to evaluate if one membership in each of these database products is sufficient for use by our three members of the Historian group we can decide if additional memberships are required. If more memberships are determined to be necessary it was approved by the members that our Board could make that decision to add more memberships.

A tentative schedule for our two required minimum meetings of the Board for 2021 was set as Saturday April 24, and Saturday August 21.

10. Meeting was adjourned.

### **Mayflower Compact**

In the name of God, Amen. We, whose names are underwritten, the loyal subjects 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 advancement 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.