

**Alberta Federation of Rock Clubs (AFRC)**  
**ZOOM meeting, Sunday, May 2, 2:00 pm.**

(hosted by Henry Komadowski, AFRC member, ZOOM through Lethbridge College)

Most of the attendees had gathered by 2:05 p.m. for the meeting.

There was a brief discussion of computer and network problems. The Treasurer/Acting Secretary (John Cherwonogrodzky, JohnC, of MHRLC) had previously sent 5 files in one email for the meeting – Agenda, President’s Message, Final AFRC Minutes of 05 April 2020 meeting (regular meeting, not AGM), Treasurer’s Report of January to April 2021, and as additional information the AFRC Treasurer’s Report of January to December 2020.

However, only a few of the delegates received all 5 documents. The others received 2-4, with most receiving only 2 documents. This was surprising because the documents were sent together. However, JohnC noticed that there might be a compatibility issue as, previously, some members did or did not receive documents depending on whether he stored these as Documents, Document Files, Desktop, Desktop Files or Word.

After a brief discussion, the meeting began at 2:10 p.m.

**1. AFRC PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE (APPENDIX 1)**

**2. ROLL CALL:** (Directors/Delegates/Representatives of Clubs):

Calgary Faceters Guild: Mark Williams

Calgary Rock and Lapidary Club: Dale Nielsen, Linda Brydon

Edmonton Tumblewood Lapidary Club: Michelle Morin

Lacombe Handicraft and Lapidary Guild: Ron Biel

Medicine Hat Rock & Lapidary Club: John (Treasurer) and Karen-Anne Cherwonogrodzky

Southern Alberta Rockhounds Association: Brett Jensen (President), Henry Komadowski,

Jonathan Legg

All clubs were represented, there was a quorum.

**3. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA:** Mark Williams (CFG) noted that Item 5, Acceptance of previous meeting Minutes, had the wrong date for the previous meeting. Instead of 7 December 2020, this should be changed to “General AFRC meeting, 5 April 2020”.

**MOTION: Acceptance of Agenda: Mark Williams (CFG) made the motion to accept the Agenda with the noted amendment. None opposed (Approved by all\_.**

**4. IN MEMORIUM:** Les Adler (CFG/CRLC) passed away in his 90s. Mike Komarevich (Senior) also passed away in his 90s and was the founder of Komarevich Originals Ltd. of Calgary, where many of us have bought rocks, minerals and lapidary supplies.

There was 1 minute silence to honour them.

**5. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FOR AGM (ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING), 5 April 2020** (written by Karen-Anne Cherwonogrodzky, accepted and approved by delegates, final version 19 April 2020).

**MOTION: Acceptance of Minutes. So moved by Karen-Anne Cherwonogrodzky (MHRLC), 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Williams (CFG), None opposed.**

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

**6.1 2021 May Daze, AGM, auction: Immediate decision needed**

- Brett (SARA) began the discussion, citing that the main issue was - does the AFRC try to host its AGM/Rock Auction townhall get together some time in 2021, or cancel it for this year and try to have it in 2022.
- Karen-Anne (MHRLC) noted that Medicine Hat hosted this last on the long weekend in May 2019. (There has not been a townhall AGM/Auction since then due to COVID-19.) When the club hosted this, there was a great deal of planning required. One cannot pull things together at the last minute. Her preference was to cancel May Daze for this year, and try to aim for May 2022.
- Mark (CFG) said that although vaccinations may lessen COVID-19 restrictions, at this moment there are too many variables to host May Days this year, and possibly the next. (There may be a large population of those unvaccinated and vulnerable, there may be “break-out” variants where vaccination is less effective for protection.) He recommended that we cancel May Daze this year as the situation is still too unstable.
- Michelle (ETLC) addressed the financial situation. Booking a May Daze and then cancelling could be expensive with lost hall, RV parking and insurance deposits; cancelled booked outings and transportation, hotel accommodations; vendors that made plans to attend.
- Brett (SARA) was asked when would the latest date for the AGM/Auction be possible. He said that September would be the latest due to fall weather setting in, possible cold weather and snow storms that might make it difficult for members to travel to attend as well as those with RVs that use the occasion to camp.
- Jonathan (SARA) asked for some details on how long does one need to plan in advance, how many attend the townhall, and when does one have to commit to booking facilities.
  - Brett (SARA) said that a rural community hall is booked with arrangements for RV parking, usually with 60-days’ notice. One needs about a dozen volunteers to run it.
  - Karen-Anne (MHRLC) added that there is a lot involved aside from the AGM and auction. For the one in Medicine Hat (2019), planning began about 6 months before, and there were 5-6 individual committees to handle different parts (hall setup and take down, meals and refreshments, field trips, door prizes, separate club silent auction, communications, entertainment and presentations).
- Dale (CRLC) said that with “herd immunity” from COVID-19 unlikely to happen before September, and with the impact of viral variants being unknown, that the AGM/Auction should be cancelled for this year and postponed to 2022.
- **Karen-Anne (MHRLC) made the MOTION: that May Daze (or similar activity) be cancelled for 2021. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Henry (SARA), none opposed.**

## 6.2. May Daze 2022

- With that motion completed, Brett (SARA) opened discussion on what could be done for 2022, should the situation of COVID-19 become less dire, more manageable, and more open.
- Ron (LHLG) noted that his club had agreed to be the next host. Due to COVID-19, they could not do so for 2021. Although they had started preparations with renting Lincoln Hall in Lacombe, they cancelled in December 2020 and so there was no loss of deposit. Due to the pandemic, their club has not met since then and there has been no preparation, but he was confident they could put this together if they had adequate notice.
- Michelle (ETLC) added that her club has also not had shop activities or group meeting due to the pandemic. However, should the situation change and a May Daze happen, her club would gladly assist Lacombe with volunteers and committees.
- Brett (SARA) summarized that **tentatively, Lacombe will host the 2022 May Days, if the situation allows.** This will be finalized at a later date.

- Karen-Anne (MHRLC) asked what was to be done with those who had signed up at the 2019 AGM in Medicine Hat for lots to sell at the next live auction.
- JohnC said that he still had that list of those requesting to sell lots (maximum 10) in a section of the 2019 collated binder. He did not contact them as requested because COVID-19 made an auction not possible for 2020, then 2021, and 2022 it is still an unknown. Whenever an auction does occur, he will try to contact those on the list, and requests a few months to do so.

### **6.3. Mineral and Fossil Collection:**

a) Karen-Anne (MHRLC) had email exchanges with Chris Robak (Silver Cove) who was interested in getting guidance and allowances from the Legislative Assembly with regards to mineral and fossil collection, dispensation, use and sale. There has been no recent communications or progress, possibly due to COVID-19.

b) On the same topic, there had been extensive communications between JohnC and the AFRC Board members leading up to the December 2020 AGM meeting. He had also gone through the various Provincial Acts, and distributed summations of the rights and privileges. (**APPENDIX 2**)

As one example, anyone can collect ammonite from the surface. As another, if one sends information and a photo to the Minister (in practice, the Tyrell Museum) and receives **dispensation**, one should be able to cut, polish and sell the piece.

JohnC reviewed a few items:

- In a previous correspondence, he gave a historical review of the AFRC from 1963-1973. During this time, the AFRC tried to have petrified wood as the provincial stone. The reason for this was to promote tourism and industry, to have cut and polished petrified wood made into jewelry and artwork that would make Alberta better known, to be available for tourists passing through. The province did not pursue this as the government did not want to amend the official act recognizing other symbols and items.
- It was actually AFRC that pursued and convinced the province to impose restrictions on petrified wood, fossils, shells, ammonite, dinosaur bone. This was in response to people (both Canadian and international) coming to Alberta, loading and hauling away several tons of these in semis, or dynamiting private land to reach the buried specimens.
- JohnC's opinion was "not to poke the sleeping dog with a stick". One has rights and privileges outlined in the various Acts, which are supported when one either gets a dispensation document, or purchases a specimen from someone who has a dispensation document. The problem arises when someone challenges the authorities, or has a specimen (without dispensation) splashed across social media, that makes them look bad, like they are not protecting our heritage.
- Note also, that the Acts allow a responsible Minister to act or make a decision on their authority. There is no need for them to go to the Legislative Assembly. In this regard, if they voice an opinion at a mall or social event, that can be taken as official guidance.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE:** Topic already covered in Item 6.3.

## **8. COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

### **8.1. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

(Although the last AFRC meeting was on 5 April 2020, a Treasurer's Report on finances was provided at the December 2020 AGM, finalized and approved by email 7 December 2020. Therefore, the Treasurer's Report at the 2 May 2021 meeting covers 1 January - 30 April 2021. See **APPENDIX 3.**)

**MOTION: To accept Treasurer's financial report.** 1st by AFRC Treasurer, JohnC (MHRLC), 2<sup>nd</sup> by

Henry (SARA), **None opposed** (approved by all).

For information: To date, for AFRC club memberships, 3 clubs have paid, 3 clubs have yet to. The latter is likely due to COVID-19, to clubs not meeting and hence not aware that fees have yet to be paid. As about 3/4 of the fees have been paid, JohnC will wait a month, make an estimate and then pay GMFC membership fees so that we are in good standing.

## **8.2. CUSTODIAN AND LIBRARIAN REPORT, TRAVELING MEMENTO:**

The Custodian (Doug Schatz, LHLC) was not present.

Dale Nielsen (CRLC) confirmed that Calgary has the library at their Club House.

## **8.3. GMFC REPORT** (Brett Jensen, SARA)

a) As with most clubs, the GMFC is having problems filling **Executive positions**. The President, Don Fabrick, and Treasurer, Laurie Fabrick, have done this for several years, would like to step down, but there are no replacements. The GMFC does not have a Vice-President, nor Secretary.

b) The GMFC provides a \$1000 **scholarship** to a Grade 12 student, a child of a GMFC member, entering a post-secondary institute (university, college). However, this year none was awarded.

c) To promote interest in gems, minerals and fossils, the GMFC used to provide an activity **colouring book** for children. The original book has been digitalized, most are gone, and another version is about to be made. Cost per colouring book is about \$2.50, and these books are either sold for around \$4, or in some cases given free upon request.

d) Dale Nielsen (CRLC) asked how many **representatives to GMFC** can a club have. This was discussed, and it was thought that they can have 2.

- Brett noted that under their By-laws, the President of a club is an automatic member of GMFC.

- The AFRC has a requirement that an AFRC member must represent the position and wishes of AFRC when serving on the GMFC.

- JohnC (MHRLC) reminded everyone that when they pay for an AFRC membership, about 80% of the dues is sent to GMFC for their **membership** as well. As GMFC members, this entitles them to attend GMFC activities and meetings.

e) There was a brief general discussion on the merits of belonging to GMFC.

- Although nearly all the memberships to GMFC belong to BC, and distance makes it difficult for Alberta members to attend their meetings and activities, in 2019, Lethbridge did host a successful GMFC auction and AGM.

- Some believe that the 3<sup>rd</sup> party liability **insurance** that we get when we become GMFC members, can be purchased elsewhere independently for better terms and cheaper prices. However, when this was looked at previously, better options were not available.

## **8.4. ALBERTA ROCKHOUNDS NEWSLETTER:** Note: new editors required.

This topic is ongoing. No-one has stepped forward to take on the role of editor. A general discussion took place.

- Some clubs (e.g. CRLC, ETLC) have their own newsletter. The information provided is photos, tips and insights into lapidary work, field trips, activities that have taken place or will occur. It is useful information, to regular members, newcomers, and a calling card to the public.
- Karen-Anne noted that Tony Cave (LHLG) had expressed some interest in updating the AFRC website, including the President's Message, minutes of meetings, on a regular basis, but he was

not present and there was no update. Perhaps the website could be a substitute for the Newsletter.

- Social media (e.g. facebook) could also inform members and the public what is occurring with AFRC.

**8.5. AFRC REJUVENATION:** Topic postponed due to COVID-19, only a discussion took part.

- Michelle Morin (ETLC) noted that although the COVID-19 pandemic has had a negative impact on clubs, it has also had a positive influence on the individual. There has been a surge in hobbies, tumblers and rock picks are sold out everywhere.
- JohnC (MHRLC) was also positive, saying that all the components are there (public interest, rock and lapidary clubs, expertise and experience available from members), but these are like cogs scattered on a table, unconnected. Michelle (ETLC) added that the connection may be social media, but there needs to be someone capable and dedicated to do this for those clubs and AFRC.
- Jonathan Legg (SARA), commented that social media and websites may not be most people's expertise, but those under 30 years are usually very capable. Perhaps there should be an effort to contact and encourage them to contribute or deal with improving communications.
- Brett Jensen (SARA) noted this was an important topic and to continue having it as an item of discussion at meetings.

## **9. ON-GOING BUSINESS**

**9.1: ARCHIVES, DOCUMENTS, FILES** – storage, access, potential loss of history: initiated by Zeschuks (ETLC)

Previously, Pauline (ETLC) had looked into depositing documents, records, newsletters and reports either into the Provincial Archives or a local museum. There is at least 2 cabinets full of these documents at CRLC. The Treasurer, JohnC (MHRLC) also has boxes of historical information at his home, passed along from the previous Treasurer, Irene Novlan.

Brett (SARA) commented that if these could be digitalized, storage and potential loss would not be a problem.

Karen-Anne (MHRLC) noted that these paper documents have not been digitalized and that would be a great effort, a long time-lag to do so. Also, in previous discussions, Pauline (ETLC) had the view that once these records are deposited with Alberta Archives, this becomes their property and is not generally accessible.

Topic ongoing.

**9.2. PREVIOUS ACTIONS:** Motions and By-Laws.

Some of us have the first compilation of Motions and By-Laws (1991), others the second (1991-2001), and Pauline Zeschuk kindly compiled these from 2001-2015. (She retired from AFRC in 2015.) The latter (11 pages) is attached as **APPENDIX 4**.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS:**

**10.1. AFRC LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AWARD:** recommendations.

Karen-Anne (MHRLC) made the motion that **Pauline and Ed Zeschuk** be given the AFRC Lifetime Membership Award. (For their several years of service as Editors to the Newsletter, representatives for AFRC. Pauline for some 12 years as Secretary.)

This was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale Nielsen (CRLC), approved by all.

Brett (President AFRC) and Michelle (ETLC) are planning a special presentation of the award to them in Edmonton.

## **10.2. NEXT AFRC MEETING, NEXT AGM.**

- Dale (CRLC) started the discussion by noting that usually there is an AFRC meeting in September. Because of the long weekend for Labour Day, it is usually held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, which would be 12 September 2021.
- There was general discussion that as there is a requirement for an AGM to be held in a given year, that this be done on that day. Due to COVID-19, it could follow that done as before. Documents and Committee Reports could be collated and sent by email to the Delegates by the Treasurer, and the meeting could take place with ZOOM.
- **Karen-Anne (MHRLC) made the MOTION: that the AGM be held on Sunday, 12 September 2021 (2 p.m. subject to change) by ZOOM. This was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale (CRLC), none opposed.**

## **11. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLUB EVENTS:**

- Michelle Morin (ETLC) announced that there will be several estate sales and auctions at once over a 2-day session in July 2021 (exact date was missed). There will be about 2500 lots, including equipment, it will be in a barn outside Edmonton, and will be COVID-19 compliant.

**12. ADJOURNMENT:** Brett (SARA) called for the meeting to close at 4:03 p.m. Michelle (ETLC) 2<sup>nd</sup> this, none opposed.

## **APPENDIX 1: AFRC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – MAY 02, 2021**

Greetings to all affiliated clubs and club members of the Alberta Federation of Rock Clubs (AFRC). I sincerely hope this finds you safe and healthy. One year ago, I never dreamed we would still be in the throes of a pandemic over a year later. This Covid19 pandemic has seriously and detrimentally affected the activities of our clubs and the federation. Again, we unfortunately have had to postpone if not cancel altogether our annual May Daze get together. The AFRC board has not been able to meet for in person meetings, corresponding only by email and meeting only today for the first time for an online Zoom meeting. My club, the Southern Alberta Rock Hounds Association, has not met in person for meetings or held shop work times since last November. We hope to have a few field-trips this summer but do not plan to meet together until the fall. We have tried a few online meetings and friendly chats to share what we have been doing in our own home shops, but it is not the same. We have been forbidden from visiting school classrooms during the pandemic. We all missed our annual trip to Calgary for the magnificent Calgary rock and gem show. Our club did sponsor a successful estate auction attended by many AFRC members from all over Alberta last September. Thank you very much. We all truly miss the social interaction with fellow rock hounds and all the opportunities to share our love for rocks, minerals and fossils with each other and others. With vaccine rollout proceeding slowly perhaps we will see the end of this third wave of infections and a slow return to some form of normal.

On a personal note, I am ever astounded by how little I accomplish at home with all the free time I have had. I have continued my interest in flintknapping after having taken a class in Quartzsite, Arizona just before coming home last March. I have cut and knapped different obsidians and crafted some nice obsidian knives which I have been able to give away as gifts. I hope to continue the knapping, expanding into other products other than knife blades and arrowheads, such as knapped obsidian jewelry. I need to also get back to basic cabochon making. I have concluded that I have more rock than I can possibly cut, even if I cut rock every day for the rest of my life, however long that might be. I guess I live by the old rock hound adage, "He who dies with the most rock, wins."

I usually make a few comments on lapidary and jewelry trends in my messages. Here are a few gleaned from various publications: Pearls (yes, still going strong with lots of variability in colors, sizes and shapes), colorful beads, mismatched earrings, especially large dangling earrings (now a use for those single earrings where you lost the matching earring), textured metals, layered multiple necklaces, long pendant necklaces, and the list goes on. I think the best advice in cabochon making is still color and pattern - the brighter the color and the bolder the pattern the better. I personally have banned gray and brown rocks, except in obsidian. Most of my obsidians are the specialty obsidians – mahogany, snowflake, and specialty sheens of rainbow, purple, gold, silver, etc.

In closing, don't let this pandemic get the best of you. It will just be replaced by the next crisis which we will also deal with. Stay in touch with those you love, using every means possible. Until we see each other in the next coulee or around the next river bend or across the next rock show table.

Brett Jensen

**APPENDIX 2: PROVINCE OF ALBERTA – APPROVED/REVISED ACTS**

<b>MINES AND MINERALS ACT – Current as of 23 July 2020</b>	
<b>QUOTES</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>
Regulations 5(1): The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations	There is no need for an act in the Legislative Assembly. Both the Lieutenant Governor and the Minister can make the rules, or rescind these as they wish. Technically, their opinion at a mall is a legal declaration
(w.5) ....authorizing the Minister to establish rules respecting the acknowledgement of receipt of approved electronic documents	The Minister can receive and rule on emails or other communications or requests.
(6) Orders by the Lieutenant Governor in Council...shall be published in the Alberta Gazette	A declaration by the Lieutenant Governor or Minister in the Alberta Gazette is all that is required for a legal ruling.
Ministerial powers: 8(1) the Minister may (a) exchange any Crown mineral or a product obtained from a Crown mineral for another mineral or another product from a mineral. (h) ...if the Minister is satisfied that it is <b>in the public interest</b> to do so	NOTE: (1) Both here and in other Acts, if the province decides to take one's minerals or specimens, they should replace or exchange these with something of equal value. (2) Both here and in other Acts, there is a key guidance for the Minister to do what is “in the public interest”. The AFRC, the clubs and its members are the public.
(p) page 13 (ii) ...cites a list of precious metals, petroleum, industrial compounds such as quartz, talc, etc.	Fossils, petrified wood, shells, ammonite are not noted in this Act. Please see other Acts for these.
102 (1) ..The Minister may...enter into an agreement. for. (a) the recovery of the mineral from the <b>subsurface</b> reservoir	NOTE: Both here and in other Acts, it notes “subsurface”, and does not relate to surface, items.

<b>SURFACE RIGHTS ACT: Current as of 23 July 2020</b>
This Act relates to the right of entry, roads, construction, damage and alteration of surface owned by the provincial, historical or private property. There is nothing I saw related to items on the surface.

<b>HISTORICAL RESOURCES ACT: ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND PALAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH, Reference 133/2013</b>
This only deals with permit acquisition and restrictions for research groups needing to excavate for these subjects.



<b>MINES AND MINERALS ACT: AMENDMENT: AMMONITE SHELL REGULATION, Current as of 25 Sept. 2019</b>	
QUOTES	DISCUSSION
<p>Definitions:</p> <p>1. (f) “HRA exemption” of the Historical Resources Act...permits...exemption...to make an <b>excavation</b> for the purpose of seeking or collecting ammonite shell.</p> <p>(g) “non-exposed ammonite shell” means ammonite shell that is not exposed on the ground surface</p>	<p>There is no restriction on collecting ammonite shell that is exposed on the ground surface.</p>
<p>Recovery of ammonite shell</p> <p>2. No person shall recover <b>non-exposed</b> ammonite shell unless the person is the holder of an agreement</p>	<p>There is no restriction on collecting ammonite shell that is exposed on the ground surface.</p>

<b>HISTORICAL RESOURCES ACT: Current as of 31 March 2020</b>	
QUOTES	DISCUSSION
<p>Definitions:</p> <p>1 (a) “archaeological resource” means a work of humans...</p> <p>(e) “historic resource” means any work of nature or of humans that is primarily of value for its palaeontological, archaeological, prehistoric, cultural, natural, scientific or aesthetic interest including, but not limited to, a palaeontological, archaeological, prehistoric, historic or natural site, structure or object</p> <p>(h) “palaeontological resource” means a work of nature consisting of or containing evidence of extinct multicellular beings...</p>	<p>Much of this part is noted for info for the reader.</p> <p>For the AFRC, part (h) is the most relevant and would relate to petrified wood, ammonite, shells, fossils</p>
<p><u>Acquisition of property:</u> 5 (1) The Minister may acquire/sell/lend on any terms the Minister considers appropriate</p>	<p>The final call is the Minister's, whatever they decide.</p>
<p><u>Museum objects</u> (9), Part 3: Historic Resources Management</p> <p>16 (a) designates and protects historic resources</p> <p><u>Designation as Registered Historic Resource</u></p> <p>19(1)...designate any historic resource the preservation of which the Minister considers to be <b>in the public interest</b>.</p>	<p>The final call is the Minister's, whatever they decide, but their guidance is to do what is “in the public interest”. On the one side, museum objects are in the public interest. On the other, items not in the public interest are unrestricted.</p>
<p><u>Experts and advisors:</u></p> <p>4(1) The Minister may from time to time engage the services of experts or persons having special technical or other knowledge to advise the Minister to to inquire into and report to the Minister on matters under this Act.</p>	<p>The Minister cannot be an expert on all issues, and so will rely on special agencies such as the Tyrell Museum. Although they are supposed to, do they actually report all their decisions to the Minister? Given the special technical and knowledge of AFRC members,</p>

	would they qualify as experts, could they offer advice and recommendations to the Minister?
5 (a) No person shall destroy, disturb, alter, restore or repair any historic resource or land that has been <b>designated</b> under this section.	If an item or finding has not been “designated” then there are no restrictions.
Designation of Provincial Historic Resource: 20(1) The Minister may <b>by order designate</b> any historic resource the preservation of which the Minister considers to be <b>in the public interest</b> .	Items that are not “designated” are not restricted. The guidance of the Minister is to consider what is in the public, not commercial, interest.
20, 2(b) ...publish notice of the Minister's intention to make an order under subsection (1) in the Alberta Gazette. 15(b) ...publish a notice of rescinding order in the Alberta Gazette.	The Minister can designate or make a decision that is legal, or change their mind, simply by posting a notice in the Alberta Gazette.
22 (c) No sale or other disposition of property that is the subject of an order under section 20(1) may be made without giving the Minister at least 60 days notice.	- This does not apply to property that has not been designated. - If 60 days has lapsed, the owner could theoretically sell or dispose of the item.
Excavation permit: 30(1)	This relates to excavation. No excavating, no permit is needed.
<u>Transport of historic resources out of Alberta</u> 33(1) ...No person shall transport...out of Alberta without the written permission of the Minister: (a) archaeological resource (b) palaeontology resource (c) historic resource (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to archaeological or palaeontological resource that has been sold, leased, exchanged or otherwise disposed of by the Minister.	One needs <b>dispensation</b> to transport any of these items outside of Alberta. Once one has this, one can do as one pleases. Note that one of the options, if the Minister wishes to obtain the specimen they can exchange the item with another (of equal value?).
<u>Damage prohibited:</u> 34 (1) Subject to subsection (2), no person shall alter, mark or damage an archaeological resource or palaeontological resource unless the person is the holder of a valid permit under section 30 or has the written permission of the Minister to do so. (2) subsection (1) does not apply to an archaeological or palaeontological resource that has been sold, leased, exchanged or otherwise disposed of by the Minister pursuant to section 32 (3)	One needs dispensation to work on an item. Once one has this, one can do as one pleases
Compensation: 50(1) The Minister may authorize the payment or compensation ... to any person who has suffered loss as the result of the application of this Act.	If one suffers a loss (confiscation of an item?), then that person can be compensated.

### APPENDIX 3: AFRC TREASURER'S REPORT for 1 January – 30 April 2021

TABLE 1: SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS, as of 30 April 2021

ATB Business Savings Account	\$ 2.27
ATB Springboard GIC	\$42,920.82
ATB Community Spirit Account ( <b>Chequing</b> )	\$ 5,722.53
	<b>TOTAL: \$48,645.62</b>

TABLE 2: TRANSACTIONS: 1 January – 30 April 2021

CHEQUING ACCOUNT		BUSINESS ACCOUNT	GIC ACCOUNT
DEPOSITS	WITHDRAWALS/ CHEQUES		
25 Feb 2021 SARA membership 27.00 MHRLC membership 127.00 <b>TOTAL 154.00</b>	05 Feb 2021 chq #57 To JohnC for reimbursement (mailed mem. cards to CRLC 14.00 Trophy World 31.39 Doteasy website 122.60 Domain 52.50 <b>TOTAL \$220.49</b>	(Lag in interest when account closed)	NOTE: Amount redeposited on 23 Sept. 2019  Interest: <b>2019-20, Year 1, 2.02%</b> 2020-21, Year 2, 2.06% 2021-22, Year 3, 2.10%
22 Mar 2021 CRLC membership <b>600.00</b>	13 Feb 2021 chq #58 SurePrint cards <b>\$94.50</b>		
12 Apr 2021 SARA membership <b>164.00</b>	15 April 2021 Ch #59 Intact Dir. Ins. <b>\$750.00</b>		
<b>TOTAL: + \$918.00</b>	<b>TOTAL: - \$1064.99</b>	<b>\$2.27</b>	<b>\$42,920.82</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL: \$918.00 - \$1064.99 = -\$146.99</b>			

Note: Chequing Account balance as of 30 Dec, 2020 was \$5869.52

\$5869.52 - \$146.99 = \$5722.53 (see Table 1 for chequing)

## APPENDIX 4

### **Motions Made at Directors Meetings from May 20, 2001 to Sept. 20, 2015**

(Moving and acceptance of Minutes, the Treasurer's Report, Annual Approval of Delegates and Locations of the Traveling Momento are not included in the motions records.)

#### **Motions made on May 20, 2001:**

FOSSIL TRAILS: Thank-you to Dave Engberg for the latest issue of Fossil Trails. Thank-you Marilyn MacCallister for your assistance in preparation. Ed & Pauline Zeschuk are the new editors of the ALBERTA ROCKHOUND NEWS. This name was picked to replace Fossil Trails. The issues will come out 3 weeks after the AFRC meetings, 4 times/year. Don Merkley moved that the editors of our newsletter join the organization SCRIBE and that the AFRC pay the \$7.50 fee. Evelyn Horn seconded and carried.

**Sept. 2, 2001:** No motions were passed at this meeting.

**Motion Made on Dec. 2, 2001:** A letter from the Alberta Provincial Archives was discussed. Dale Van Slyke made a motion that our records no longer be stored there. Seconded by Lavern Novlan. Ed Zeschuk moved to table that motion until Grace Leeuw has a chance to see what is there. Grace is to ask for assistance. Seconded by Dale Van Slyke and carried.

**Motion made on Mar. 3, 2002:** Regarding the AFRC records at the Provincial Archives of Alberta - Grace Leeuw moved that we sign the release to the Provincial Archives in Edmonton. This covers previous and future donations. It was seconded by John Sanders and carried.

**Motions made on May 19, 2002:** Lauren Slade moved that the AFRC through petitions and letters, raise public awareness on the moratorium on the ammonite picker's license. It was seconded by Lavern Novlan and carried.

Irene Novlan moved that the GMFC, before making any appointment from Alberta must seek the approval of the executive of the AFRC. In the event that the AFRC ceases to function, then the GMFC must approach the executive of the member club. Procedural AFRC - that the AFRC will seek approval of members club for GMFC appointment requests. It was seconded by Del Novlan and carried.

**Motion Made on Sept. 8/02:** Irene Novlan moved that the motion made at the AFRC Annual meeting on May 19, 2002, be amended to read that the GMFC, before making any appointments from Alberta, must seek the approval of the executive of the AFRC and its delegates. In turn, the AFRC will then approach the executive of the member's club for their approval of any GMF appointment request (s). In the event that the AFRC ceases to function, GMFC must then approach the executive of the member's club. Seconded by John Saunders and carried.

This motion is to replace and/or update any previous motions regarding tailgating at the AFRC May Daze weekend. Irene Novlan moved that tailgating by AFRC members may take place on Sunday, following the Annual General Meeting. Each member who is tailgating at the Annual General Meeting will donate 10% of their sales to the AFRC. Seconded by Lavern Novlan and carried.

This motion is to replace and/or update any previous motion regarding the placing of consignment articles in the AFRC rock auction held during the May Daze weekend. Irene Novlan moved that the AFRC be given a minimum of 15% by the consigner for the sale of any articles at the May Daze rock auction. This was seconded by Lavern Novlan and carried.

Grace Leeuw moved that each year, we give the Provincial Archives in Edmonton an update including a list of the executive, member clubs of Alberta and the year's minutes. This is to be the responsibility of the Alberta Rockhound News. It is to be done in January. The motion was seconded by Ed Zeschuk and carried.

This motion is to replace or update any pervious motion regarding the services of someone other than the AFRC executive and/or its delegates. Irene moved that any appointments requiring the services of someone other than the AFRC executive and/or its delegates must be approved by a motion made and passed by the AFRC executive and the AFRC delegates. It was seconded by Grace Leeuw and carried.

**Motion made on Dec. 1, 2002:** Pauline Zeschuk gave a report on the progress that has been made to permit AFRC members to pick ammonite. A response to the letter written to Dave Hancock, Solicitor General of Alberta, has been received. The letter indicated that AFRC Members should be informed of a decision on this issue before the next ammonite picking season (spring, 2003). During a meeting with Dave Hancock, Pauline was asked if any AFRC members would consider sitting on a board that makes decisions re: ammonite and other fossils.

Lavern Novlan moved that if such an appointment was available that Pauline Zeschuk serve as an AFRC delegate on such a board. This was seconded by Vi Merkley. Carried.

**No motions made on Mar. 2, 2003:**

**Motions made on May 18, 2003:** AFRC Editor's Equipment Update: Ed Zeschuk read a letter from Dave Engberg listing the items that he still had in his possession. Ed Zeschuk moved that items be kept by Dave Engberg and brought to the 2004 May Daze to be sold. Seconded by Bea Hammar, Carried.

**Motions made on Sept. 7, 2003:** Midge Smith made a motion to have the ARN sent to members by email if that is how they requested to receive it. John Dowler seconded the motion. Carried.

Don Merkley moved that we give Murray Smith two months to reply to the letter. If no reply is received then a copy of all the communications should be sent to Premier Ralph Klein and repeat our request that the moratorium on the Ammonite Pickers License be lifted. Seconded by Ray Ball. Carried.

**Motions made on Dec. 7, 2003:** Pins for the AFRC: Prices from two companies, King Pin located in Edmonton and Juniper Emblems Ltd. from Lacombe were compared. Samples were passed around to be examined by members. Del Harrison moved that if the quality of the pins can be matched, that we order 250 pins. Seconded by Lavern Novlan. Carried.

Crests: There seemed to be little interest in crests. Irene Novlan moved that we forget about ordering crests. Pauline Zeschuk seconded the motion. Carried.

Club Membership Lists: Irene Novlan keeps up-to-date membership lists for the AFRC records. The

discussion centered around whether or not to make these available to clubs. Having a directory would help with the communication within the AFRC. Some members may choose not to have their names, addresses and/or phone numbers made available in a directory. Dell Harrison moved that each member club compile a directory list showing clearly what each member wants placed in the list that will be circulated to the AFRC club members at large. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

**No Motions recorded for Mar. 7, 2004:**

**Motions made on May 23, 2004:** A question was asked about how many directors may each club have? Irene Novlan read a motion that stated: "That all clubs appoint two AFRC Directors for up to fifty members. For every additional fifty members a club may appoint one additional director up to four directors." Lavern moved acceptance of AFRC directors. Seconded by Bea Hammer. Carried.

**Insurance:** GMFC informed the AFRC that insurance rates are going up by 33%. There has not been a claim with the insurance company in the 26 years that the GMFC has had insurance with this company and there has been an increase every year. The treasurer of the GMFC will be writing a letter to query why there is an increase. The GMFC is not passing along the increase to the AFRC this year. Irene moved that next year when there is an increase in insurance premiums the AFRC absorb the increase. Seconded by Grace Leeuw. Carried.

**Slides, Videos and Books:** A discussion took place about what to do about the slides and videos that are not being used and ways to increase the circulation of books. Ed Gilchrist moved that the books become a traveling library with six months at each club. Ed Zeschuk seconded the motion. Carried. Mike O'Toole offered to put the slide images on to a computer disk. Irene Novlan offered to put the slides in order by the September meeting. A decision regarding the slides and videos will be made at the September meeting.

**AFRC Directory:** A directory of all the clubs and its members has been published in the past to encourage communication between clubs and club members. The issues of privacy laws and safety has resulted in a number of members being uncomfortable with having their names, addresses and phone numbers published in a directory. The AFRC constitution does not have a statement regarding membership requirements. Irene Novlan inquired if the GMFC needed a complete list of AFRC members. They said that they did not need the list as long as the treasurer of the AFRC had a list for reference if needed for insurance purposes. After much discussion Dan Smith moved that all members of the AFRC provide their name and personal contact information to the executive of the AFRC and that it not be distributed beyond the executive. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried with one vote against the motion.

Lavern Novlan moved that we discontinue publishing an AFRC directory. Seconded by Lloyd Weis. Carried.

**Insurance:** GMFC informed the AFRC that insurance rates are going up by 33%. There has not been a claim with the insurance company in the 26 years that the GMFC has had insurance with this company and there has been an increase every year. The treasurer of the GMFC will be writing a letter to query why there is an increase. The GMFC is not passing along the increase to the AFRC this year. Irene moved that next year when there is an increase the AFRC absorb the increase. Seconded by Grace Leeuw. Carried.

Sister Clubs: Ray Ball asked if there had been any communication between sister clubs during the past year. There had not been any. Although it was acknowledged that Sister Clubs were a good idea, there had not been any communication for a number of years. Lavern Novlan moved that Sister Clubs be discontinued. Seconded by Charlie Beringer. Carried.

**Motions made on Sept.12, 2004:** Traveling Library: An amendment to the motion regarding the Traveling Library was made by John Dowler. He moved that the Traveling Library be circulated quarterly, with exchanges taking place during the three Directors Meetings and May Daze. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

**Motion made on Dec. 5, 2004:** Donation to GMFC Scholarship Fund: Moved by Lavern Novlan that the AFRC donate \$25.00 to the GMFC Scholarship Fund in memory of John Saunders. Seconded by Don Merkley. Carried.

**Mar. 2005:** Meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

**Motions made on May 22, 2005:** A discussion took place regarding the GMFC scholarship. John Dowler made a motion that the AFRC ask the GMFC to consider giving a member the opportunity to sponsor a niece or nephew for the scholarship fund. Seconded by Louise Wutzke. Carried.

The Calgary Facetors' Club applied for \$100 to cover some of the spring workshop expenses. Ed Zeschuk moved that the AFRC contributes \$100 to cover some of the workshop expenses. Diane Duczynski seconded the motion. Carried.

On Friday, May 20th, during a guided tour at the Korite mine, an item went missing from a display set up to be viewed by the touring group. Members of the tour group contributed five dollars each to pay for the missing item. Mike O'Toole moved that the AFRC send a letter of apology to the Korite manager. This was seconded by Maureen Dowler. Carried. A committee of volunteers: Mike O'Toole, Ed Gilchrist and Raymond Ball, was set up to write the letter. Directions were to send the letter to Rene who had made a special effort to have a display of products for the fieldtrip.

**Motions made on Sept. 11, 2005:** None

**Motions made on Dec. 4, 2005:** Ed Zeschuk moved that the AFRC accept donations and consignments of appropriate materials for the annual May Daze auction from both AFRC members and non-members. The owner of the rocks consigned will pay 15% of the auction proceeds to the AFRC. However, if the rocks need to be washed, an additional 15% will be paid to the club doing the cleaning and sorting. Transportation of the rocks may also be involved. Lavern Novlan seconded the motion. Carried.

**Motions made on Mar. 5, 2006:** None

**Motions made on May 21, 2006:** Irene moved to keep the AFRC Dues the same. Family: \$5.00, Adult: \$4.50, Student: \$4.00. Seconded by Lavern Novlan. Carried.

**Motions made on Sept. 10, 2006:** Ed Zeschuk moved that the AFRC pay for another year of web site hosting. Seconded by Lavern Novlan. Carried.

The AFRC objectives were reviewed. Lavern Novlan moved that outdated objective number four be

removed and replaced with: "The Alberta Federation of Rock Clubs sponsor a website that its members may use to promote the activities and events of their club. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

**Motions made on Dec. 3, 2006:** Ed Zeschuk made a motion: "to have the AFRC keep 20% from the auction proceeds of non member materials." Dave Biro seconded the motion. Carried.

Maureen Dowler moved that the AFRC buy easy-to-read, black and white, name tags for the executive. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

John Dowler moved that the AFRC buy a name tag with a bar for each of the delegates. Seconded by Doug Shatz. Carried. This will help to identify the AFRC delegates at special AFRC events.

**Motion made on Mar. 4, 2007:** None

**Motions made on May 20, 2007:** Irene moved that the AFRC dues remain the same for the following year: Family \$5.00, Single membership \$4.50, student \$4.00. Ed Zeschuk seconded the motion. Carried.

Bea Hammer made a motion that the AFRC write a letter to the GMFC and Scholarship Fund expressing our disappointment at the lack of communication regarding notifying the donors as to who are the recipients of the scholarship. Seconded by Maureen Dowler. Carried.

**Motions Made on Sept. 9, 2007:** (Report given on Sept. 9, 2007) At the GMFC show in Regina, the Scholarship Fund had a separate meeting. The AFRC motion regarding allowing members in good standing of five years or more, other than parents and grandparents, be allowed to nominate students for the GMFC scholarship was defeated. Some of the Alberta delegates voted in favour of the motion. All others did not want to see any changes.

**Motions Made on Nov. 25, 2007:** Lavern Novlan moved that the Directors' Meetings be held in Calgary at the Spruce Cliff Community Hall beginning at 10:30 a.m. Dates for Directors' Meetings for 2008 will be Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, September 14<sup>th</sup> and November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Seconded by Dave Biro. Carried.

**Motions Made on May 3, 2008:** None

**Motions Made on May 18, 2008:** Ed Gilchrist moved that the AFRC membership fees for 2008 continue as before: Family: \$5.00, Single: \$4.50, Student: \$4.00. Less Hallet seconded the motion. Irene moved that Associate Membership dues remain the same for 2008: Family \$5.00, single adult: \$4.50; Student: \$4.00. Seconded by Maureen Dowler. Carried.

**Motions Made on Sept. 14, 2008:** None

**Motions Made on Nov. 23, 2008:** . All present felt that non members should pay a fee to advertise in the Alberta Rockhound News. Ed Zeschuk moved that non members pay \$5:00 for one eighth to one quarter page, \$15:00 for half a page and \$25.00 for a whole page per issue. Editors decide what ads are appropriate and how much space is available. Seconded by Lavern Novlan. Carried.

**Motions Made on Apr. 5, 2009:** Doug Schatz moved that updated information regarding insurance is made available to the AFRC delegates. Seconded by Mark Watson. Carried.

**Motions Made on May 17, 2009:** Maureen moved that the AFRC draft a letter in support of the US



group working to get better access for Rockhounds on US public lands. Seconded by Ed Gilchrist. Carried.

Irene moved the membership fees for the AFRC remain the same for 2009: Family membership is \$5.00, Single membership: \$4.50, Students and Seniors: \$4.00. Fred Bashow seconded the motion. Carried.

**Motions Made on Sept. 13, 2009:** Mellisa Robak moved that we accept Elizabeth Shotz update of the computer image of our AFRC logo. Seconded by Lavern Novlan. Carried.

The Calgary Faceters' Guild requested a \$100.00 grant from the AFRC to assist with expenses in hosting a workshop. All the criteria for the workshop were met. Irene Novlan moved that the AFRC send \$100 to the Calgary Faceters' Guild. Seconded by Maureen Dowler. Carried.

Lavern Novlan moved we pay for a website for another year. Dave Biro seconded the motion. A more effective way of communicating with the webmaster will be explored.

. Maureen moved that at the next meeting in November we should be prepared to make a decision regarding changes to the number of delegates allowed to represent each club. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

Associate Memberships were discussed. It was decided that Associate Memberships be made available to former AFRC members who live in an area that does not have an Alberta Rock Club nearby. Associate members are not covered by insurance and cannot vote at the AGM. They are able to attend events like May Daze and may subscribe to the ARN. Associate membership is not available to the general public. If a person would like to subscribe to the ARN he/she is required to join a club affiliated with the AFRC.

**Motion Made on Nov. 22, 2009:** Pauline Zeschuk moved that each club be allowed three delegates for the first forty members and an additional representative be added for over forty members to the maximum of four delegated from each club. Seconded by Ed Gilchrist. Carried.

**Motions Made on April 11, 2010:** The corrected motion states that each club is allowed three delegates for up to fifty adult members. A club with fifty-one or more adult members is allowed an additional delegate to the maximum of four delegates. A person who is eighteen years of age or older who pays his or her membership fees is considered a member. Family memberships may include two adult members. The motion was made by Ed Gilchrist, seconded by Mark Watson, Carried.

Privacy issues regarding having full minutes printed in the Alberta Rockhound News: Lavern Novlan moved that Treasurer's financial numbers will not be printed in the Alberta Rockhound News. Seconded by Dave Biro. Carried.

**Motions Made on May 23, 2010:** Irene moved the membership fees for the AFRC remain the same for 2010: Family membership is \$5.00, Single membership: \$4.50, Students and Seniors: \$4.00. Mark Watson seconded the motion. Carried.

**Motions Made on Sept. 12, 2010:** Reading of the Minutes: Pauline Zeschuk read the Minutes of the

April Directors' Meeting. One correction was required. Lavern Novlan should have been included as an auditor of the clubs finances. Pauline moved the minutes be adopted as corrected. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes: Lavern Novlan moved that only membership cards embossed with the AFRC seal will be valid membership cards. A disclaimer is to be included on the card. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

Nov. 2010: Cancelled due to the weather.

April 11, 2011: Cancelled due to snow storm

Motions Made on May 22, 2011: Irene moved that the club fees to the AFRC remain the same for the next year. Families: \$5:00, Single adult: \$4.50 and Students: \$4:00. Seconded by Mark Watson. Carried.

Mark Watson moved that the 2013 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary May Daze Celebration be hosted by the Central Alberta Rockhounds. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried

. Pauline Zeschuk moved that AFRC Delegates from each club check with club members with special knowledge or skills who are willing to hold or assist with workshops. The Delegates will bring their lists to the next AFRC Delegates meeting for further discussion. Seconded by Fiona Jakielaszek. Carried.

Motion Made on Sept. 11, 2011: None

Motion Made on Nov. 20, 2011: Maureen Dowler moved that the AFRC pay for the replacement of four sandwich board signs. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

Melissa Roback moved that the AFRC continue to book the hall for the three meetings a year, but if necessary be prepared to set up a toll free teleconference at 12 cents per participating line, if needed. Seconded by Ed Gilchrist. Carried.

Motions Made on April 15, 2012: Ed Gilchrist moved that Ron Biel take the old VHS tapes from the library to view them and see which should be put on discs for the AFRC Library. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

Irene and Lavern had purchased two complete sets of tapes with 6 discs and 12 pages of instructions in each one. The titles are "Intermediate Wire Wrapping" and "Wire Wrapping Rings." The cost was \$300.94. They are willing to sell them to the AFRC at cost for the library. Ed Gilchrist moved that the AFRC purchase the tapes for \$300.94. Seconded by Fiona Jakielaszek. Carried.

Mark Watson moved that the AFRC buy the disc for "Beginners' Wire Wrapping". Maureen Dowler seconded the motion. Carried. The Library Custodian will do the follow up.

Motions Made on May 20, 2012: Irene Novlan moved that the fees to the AFRC for the year 2013 remain the same as last year; Family: \$5:00, Single adult: \$4.50 and Students: \$4:00. Seconded by Doug Schatz. Carried.

Ed Zeschuk moved that the AFRC purchase 500 pins through Cal who has helped the CRLC purchase pins. Seconded by Dave Biro. Carried.

Regarding Grace Leeuw's Rock Collection: Ed Zeschuk moved that discussion as to how to best deal with the collection be tabled for future discussion, giving members and opportunity to think about options. Seconded by Doug Schatz. Carried.

Motions Made on Sept. 9, 2012: Ed Zeschuk moved that the club contact the late Grace Leeuw's daughter to see if she would like to keep the collection or have the collection donated to the AFRC to be sold at the auction on the fiftieth anniversary of the AFRC, celebrated at May Daze 2013. Seconded by Fiona Jakielaszek. Carried.

Motion Made on Nov. 18, 2012: Appointment/Election of the 2013 AFRC Executive:

May 4 & 5, 2013: No motions (Emergency meeting held at the Calgary Show arena)

Motions Made on May 19, 2013: Pauline Zeschuk moved that viewing of the old VHS tapes be discontinued and the VHS tapes be made available free of charge to club members who would like to take them at the next May Daze. Seconded by Fiona Jakielaszek. Carried.

Irene moved that the club fees to the AFRC for the year 2013 remain the same: Family - \$5.00, Single: \$4.50, Student: \$4:00. Seconded by Bev Calkins. Carried.

Motion Made on Sept. 15, 2013: Because no other GMFC delegates are able to attend the GMFC Annual Meeting that is being held in Regina on September 21, 2013, Lavern moved that John and Maureen Dowler be alternative delegates from the Alberta AFRC. Seconded by Dave Biro. Carried.

Nov. 17, 2013: Meeting cancelled due to weather conditions

Motions Made on April 13, 2014: John Dowler moved that Irene buy back unsold pins for up to \$100.00. Seconded by Charles Berridge. Carried.

Motion Made on May 18, 2014: Irene moved that the club fees to the AFRC for the year 2015 remain the same: Family: \$5.00, Single: \$4.50, Student: \$4:00. Seconded by Bev Calkins. Carried

Motions Made on Sept.14, 2014: Irene made the motion to set aside up to \$100.00 per year in the budget for website expenses. Seconded by Darek Nowicki. Carried.

Karen Cherwonogrodzky made the motion for the AFRC to purchase a printer cartridge for Irene Novlan. Seconded by Ed Gilchrist. Carried.

John Cherwonogrodzky made the motion that the Ammonite Shell Document be posted on the AFRC website. Seconded by Darek Nowicki. Carried.

Motions Made on Nov. 16, 2014: Lavern Novlan moved that insurance cards are not available to Clubs until Dues are paid. Seconded by Ed Gilchrist. Carried.

Ed Zeschuk moved that tailgating by AFRC members may take place on Sunday, following the Annual General Meeting. Each member who is tailgating after the Annual General Meeting will donate 10% of their sales to the AFRC. Seconded by Alma Berridge. Carried.

Mike O'Toole moved that the AFRC be given a minimum of 15% by the consignor for the sale of any articles at the May Daze auction. Nonmembers will give a minimum of 20% to the AFRC from the sale of their consigned items. Seconded by Darek Nowiciki. Carried. Lavern Novlan made a motion that the AFRC Custodian is in charge of the Traveling Momento and is to be informed as to where it is at all times. The movement of Traveling Momento from one place to another is to be recorded in the minutes in the form of a motion. Seconded by Ed Gilchrist. Carried.:

**Director Meeting Guidelines for WORKSHOPS Sept. 12/99: Updated Review:** The AFRC has \$400.00 available each year for Workshop expenses. Any AFRC Club may request a grant up to \$100.00 per year. This request is on a first come, first served basis. Statements for all expenses will be required. If the expenses are less than \$100:00, the smaller of the amount will be paid. A club requesting this grant must make written application which must be signed by the President and Treasurer of that club, and passed by their membership. The application must be forwarded to the AFRC treasurer for the approval of the AFRC Executive. The host club is required to let fellow AFRC clubs know of any workshops so they may participate if desired. Lavern Novlan moved that the above Workshop Guidelines be accepted. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried.

**Motions Made on April 12, 2015:** Fred Bashow moved that the AFRC Accept the ETLC proposal to have a professional auctioneer conduct the May Daze auction for 2015. Seconded by John Cherewonogrodzky. Five voted for the motion, three voted against the motion and three abstained from voting. Passed.

**Motions Made on Sunday, May 17, 2015:** Irene moved that the club fees to the AFRC for the year 2016 remain the same: Family; \$5.00, Single: \$4.50, Student: \$4.00. Seconded by Bev Calkins. Carried. Each year the dues are reviewed and a motion regarding the fees is made and passed by the membership. This is made on a motion made previously by Les Adler and passed by the AFRC membership requiring an annual review of the fees.

A question was asked why each AFRC member is being charged \$7.50 for receiving the newsletter, including those who receive it electronically. Christine Chesterman made a motion that the AFRC not charge \$7.50 to members who are receiving the newsletter by e-mail. Seconded by Valery Harty. 6 were in favour of the motion, 2 abstained, and the majority were not in favour of the motion. The motion was defeated.

**Motions Made on September 20, 2015: Re: Letter Regarding AFRC Auction:** Irene made a motion that the minutes be amended to read: The auction and the Committee and the Auction Committee has not knowingly committed any wrong doing and that the letter submitted by ETLC was submitted on behalf of three members and it was the writer's own perception after attending one or two auctions. Dave Biro seconded the motion. Carried unanimously. Lavern Novlan moved the minutes be adopted as amended. Leola Grams seconded the motion. Carried.

Treasurer's Banking Access: John asked for a motion to transfer/close all remaining funds from the Calgary RBC Personal Savings Account to the Medicine Hat Community Savings Account. Irene made the above motion. Brett Jensen seconded the motion. Carried. John noted that Karen-Anne Cherwonogrodzky will be the co-signer.

May Daze Auction: Lavern Novlan noted that there seems to be a misconception regarding who is responsible for organizing the May Daze Auction. He clarified that in the past it has always been left up to the Treasurer to organize and not the individual clubs. The need to have it written down and shared with the clubs was stressed. Shirley Ruttan made a motion that the AFRC organizes and runs the auction with the assistance of volunteers. Seconded by Ed Zeschuk. Carried. It was also added that because the Treasurer organizes the auction, it is important for the Treasurer to have all the contact information for the AFRC delegates so they may update all the clubs. Pauline will e-mail an updated list this is only to be shared with the executive and the AFRC delegates.

Certificate of Insurance: John Cherwonogrodzky sought clarification on when membership fees had to be paid so that there would not be a lapse in GMFC Insurance coverage. It was explained that coverage is based on the membership list and that the GMFC submits a cheque to the insurance company in December and therefore before they receive all the membership fees from the clubs. Therefore, if a member had paid his dues prior to the end of the year, they will be covered the following if their name is on the membership list as paid. The Committee was reminded that it would not be prudent to let members on club equipment until they have paid their dues.

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