

Annual Meeting
February 10, 2013
Minutes (to be approved in 2014 Annual Meeting)

Social hour was from 2:00-3:00 pm in the Finnish Room. Our thanks to Katariina, Eva, and Andrea for bringing korvapuustit, cookies, and cheese wraps. Also our thanks to Jukka for making the coffee.

Before the start of the meeting, we had an auction led by Judy Perkiomäki and Hilja Davis. The items were donated by the Vintage Scandinavian Shop.

Seppo called the meeting to order a little after 3:00 pm and asked me to read the minutes of the March 5, 2012 Annual Meeting. Jukka moved and Ray seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Greg and Katariina gave a summary of the eleven events put on by FFCPC during 2012-13. One of the new events is the Book Club, and the next one is March 9, 4:00 pm, at Maarit Reed's house. The book is *Purge* by Sofi Oksanen.

Dirk went through the list of volunteers who helped with the FFCPC events. All told 29 people (non-Board members) participated.

Dirk also gave the Treasurer's Report and the Auditor's Report (Saara Matthews for the second year in a row was the auditor. Ray moved and Don seconded a motion to approve both reports. Motion carried. FFCPC has a total balance of \$11,148.87. Dirk presented the "Itemized Profit and Loss" statement and offered a copy to those in attendance.

Seppo talked about our progress in the last three years, our planned events, our commitment to following through, our cooperation with other Nordic groups, and our joy in working together. He mentioned how well liked our food offerings were at Midsummer and ScanFair. Three of our eleven events were in conjunction with SHF and the Finnish Historical Society. The Board held nine meetings in the Finnish Room, and three events—Annual Meeting, Sisu-Finnish Truck, and Finnish Composers—were also held in the Finnish Room. We have 39 Life Members and 26 paid members on an annual basis.

Satu Mikkola gave a presentation on Finlandia Foundation National. She congratulated FFCPC on the work it has been doing. FFN is 60 years old and will have a celebration in March in Pasadena, CA. Yrjö Paloheimo and Dr. Vaino Hoover were instrumental in the creation of FFN in 1953. Satu pointed out that today there are 45 chapters and 7000 members. She read the mission statement and outlined the major activities of FFN: grants and scholarships, POY and LOY, Salolampi Finnish Language Program, and Soiva Music Camp. She recommended we see "Fire and Ice," a film about the Winter War.

Hilja Davis introduced the three new candidates for the Board: Anu Korhonen, Chris Lazarus, and Allan Lampi. Each briefly told us about their background, vocation, and interest in FFCPC. Jukka moved and Greg seconded to approve them. Motion carried.

Dennis Usitalo volunteered to be the Auditor for 2013. Greg moved and Andrea seconded to approve. Motion carried.

The board thanked Seppo Saarinen for the three years of wonderful leadership and service as President of FFCPC. He was given a Certificate of Appreciation and a one-night stay at the Cannery Pier Hotel in Astoria for him and Eva.

Annual Meeting concluded at 4:30 pm.