

## N I F T Y

Naked iconoclasts Fighting The Yoke

### FOUNDING MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 7, 1994

IN ATTENDANCE: Kathy, Korky, Marilyn, Susan, Greg, Annthea, Rick

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We began by discussing just what we wanted to do with NIFTY. It was proposed that the group be simply an organisation of people who oppose the legal ban on public nudity in Canada.

Kathy asked what this group featured which differentiated it from groups such as the VanTan club. In discussion on this topic it was put forth that such nudist groups are mostly social/recreational groups for nudists. It was proposed that NIFTY be a more activist entity. Greg suggested that the group not be limited to nudists, but be open to anyone in opposition to legislated mandatory clothing.

Proposed activities put forth were:

- Section in Allies newspaper
- Clothing-optional swim nights
- Meetings (such as this one!)
- Protests
- Letter writing campaigns.

The question of finances reared its ugly head. We decided to charge a membership fee, but on a sliding scale so as not to exclude anyone. The fee was set at from zero dollars upwards, with a suggested \$5 per year.

Other possible revenue sources were discussed, including money raised from swim nights and selling of ad space in Allies section. Marilyn suggested that vendors of volleyball equipment, sunscreens, beach umbrellas, etc. might be possible advertisers in a NIFTY section.

Marilyn asked whether allowing textiles to join might result in subversion from within. Korky said he felt this was unlikely.

(At this point Annthea had to leave, Greg took over the recording of the minutes.)

We discussed a suggestion Annthea had made before leaving whereby we reach decisions by consensus rather than majority rule. We agreed on a compromise scheme where we will make every effort to achieve a consensus, but in the case of a deadlock we may resort to a vote with majority rule carrying.

We decided to enact another of Annthea's suggestions, namely that we have a rotating chair for the meetings.

The Allies section costs about \$220 for circulation of 35 000. Greg undertook to find out about booking Lord Byng pool for a swim night to raise funds. Possible date for a swim night is March 26.

Another suggested activity was a clothing-optional dance.

We decided to appoint a secretary-treasurer. Yours truly, Greg, was acclaimed for this position, and it is thus that I am typing out these minutes.

Someone suggested a reduced rate for members at events held by NIFTY.

Security at the proposed swim night was raised. We decided to put someone in charge in case of any threatening behavior.

Korky suggested that the meetings be non-smoking and clothes-optional. All were in agreement.

The next meeting was tentatively set for Sunday, February 27.

At the close of the meeting, the following was established as the initial membership list:

Kathy  
Don  
Korky  
Marilyn  
Rick  
Greg  
Susan

The meeting was then adjourned.