

## Minutes of NIFTY meeting #27 (AGM 2014)

2014 June 2, 17:00, Kyle's Cafe, 2627 Commercial Drive, Vancouver

In attendance: Darry, Michael, Greg, Gerald, Marilyn, William

- 1. Call to order, 17:06.
- 2. MOTION (Michael/Darry) approve minutes of meeting #26. CARRIED
- 2a. MOTION (Gerald/Michael) that the agenda be adopted. CARRIED
- 3. MOTION (Greg/Michael) that Gerald be the chair for meeting #27. CARRIED
- 4. Treasurer's Report. Greg reported that we have about \$2400.

MOTION (Greg/William) that we keep the swim admission at \$8 for the remainder of 2014, and raise it to \$9 starting in January 2015. WITHDRAWN

MOTION (Darry/Michael) that the treasurer's report be accepted. CARRIED by consensus.

5a. MOTION (Michael/Marilyn) that NIFTY merchandise be discussed. CARRIED by consensus.

MOTION (Michael/Greg) that NIFTY adopt the logo currently on the NIFTY webpage as NIFTY's new logo. CARRIED by consensus. MOTION (Michael/Marilyn) that Michael and Greg and Marilyn design and produce NIFTY merchandise, including but not limited to calendars, T-shirts and stickers. CARRIED by consensus.

MOTION (Greg/Michael) that a committee be struck to explore online payment services that do not discriminate against and defame naturists. Greg, Michael and Darry to be on committee. CARRIED by consensus.

- 5b. Front desk. Michael's front desk proposal was discussed.
- 5c. Coupons. MOTION (Michael/William) that only official NIFTY discount coupons as found on the NIFTY website be distributed on behalf of NIFTY. Anyone is free to distribute their own material in conjunction with NIFTY coupons as long as their own material is not identified as being sanctioned by NIFTY, is separate from the NIFTY material, and is on separate paper. DEFEATED
- 5d. MOTION (Greg/Michael) that we budget \$200 for DVDs for the NIFTY library. CARRIED by consensus.
- 5e. MOTION (Greg/Marilyn) that we keep the swim admission at \$8 for the remainder of 2014, and raise it to \$9 starting in January 2015. AMENDMENT (Michael/Gerald) that the price as of 2015 January be \$10. WITHDRAWN. Main motion then CARRIED unanimously.

MOTION (Michael/Gerald) For swim discounts (which are currently offered to students and low income members), we require one of these documents: student card, leisure access card, annual bus pass, low income payment stub, or tax return showing annual income below \$20 000. WITHDRAWN

MOTION (Michael/Marilyn) that our website coupons and other means of communication state, "NIFTY offers half price swim rates to students and low income people". CARRIED

- 5f. AGM dates. Default agreed henceforth as the last Tuesday of May, starting early (~17:00ish).
- 5g. MOTION (Marilyn/Greg) that the NIFTY webmaster always be provided with up to date member contact information, and that any electronic mail messages sent on behalf of NIFTY provide information on how to opt out of future mailings. Additionally, that contact infomation collected through NIFTY membership applications be kept confidential and used only for legitimate NIFTY purposes as authorized by the NIFTY membership. We shall also encourage members who receive messages unrelated to NIFTY, and suspect that they are receiving them due to having given their contact information to NIFTY, to contact the webmaster. CARRIED
- 5h. MOTION (Michael/Gerald) that we consider the proposed NIFTY Website policy. CARRIED
- MOTION (Greg/Michael) that the draft website policy items be considered ad seriatum. CARRIED

MOTION (Michael/Gerald) that we adopt Web policy item #1 with friendly AMENDMENT (Greg/Darry): omit references to ideas of nudism and publishing skills. CARRIED

MOTION (Michael/Gerald) that we adopt Web policy item #2. CARRIED unanimously.

MOTION (Michael/Gerald) that we adopt Web policy item #3. CARRIED

MOTION (Michael/Gerald) that we adopt Web policy item #4. CARRIED

MOTION (Michael/Gerald) that we adopt Web policy item #5. CARRIED

The Website committee will consist of Marilyn, Michael, Greg, Gerald, William and Korky. Website policy as adopted reads: *NIFTY Website Policy*.

- 1. The NIFTY website is maintained by the volunteers of the Website Committee. To join the Website Committee, a NIFTY member must demonstrate understanding of NIFTY goals and be approved by a NIFTY meeting.
- 2. The NIFTY website is administered by the webmaster, elected at a NIFTY meeting. The webmaster will maintain NIFTY mailing lists, and the website's functionality, stability, style, design, structure, security and integrity, in compliance with this policy.
- 3. Members of the Website Committee can draft articles and events on the NIFTY website and social networks on behalf of NIFTY, or they can e-mail the appropriate material to the webmaster for further approval, processing and publishing. Non-members of the Website Committee can also submit articles, media and suggestions, but they cannot vote as members of the Website Committee. The content the members submit must comply with Canadian law; must be attributed properly if required by copyright law; must be consistent with the current website style, design, and structure; and must be relevant, consistent with the spirit of the NIFTY constitution and bylaws, free of typographical errors, ethically and aesthetically sound, and easy to understand. The fonts, formatting, colours, size and style of the text and images should follow the main style of the website and have the appropriate category assigned. All non-original media and text published on the NIFTY website should be in the public domain, except where used for criticism, review or news reporting in accordance with fair dealing or limitation and exception to the exclusive right granted by copyright law to the author of a creative work. Links to

outside websites should be related to nudism, clothing-optional rights, naturism or nude art only, and are allowed only on the "Links" page. Members cannot use the NIFTY website to advertise or promote names, products, services or views unrelated to nudism/naturism, nude art or clothing-optional rights.

- 4. NIFTY members monitor the contents of the website or drafts presented for publication, and shall promptly advise the website committee in the event they see any material not in compliance with this policy. In this case, the webmaster will block the questionable material from publishing and discuss the issue with the poster. If the problem cannot be resolved between the webmaster and the poster, the problem shall be brought to the website committee where resolution will be made by consensus or majority vote.
- 5. Website committee membership may be terminated by NIFTY general meeting vote if the member is inactive or in violation of the website policy.

MOTION(Greg/William) that the NIFTY website remain completely free of corporate logos. CARRIED

By consensus agreement, items 6a-j were reordered thus: e, a, f, c, g, d, h, i, j, b.

- 6e. MOTION(Darry/Gerald) that NIFTY continue our (2014 January 11) increase to 2 swims per month in most months, according to demand, affordability, and enough volunteers, as previously guaranteed financially by Korky. AMENDMENT (Michael/Marilyn) delete the words "as previously guaranteed financially by Korky". CARRIED unanimously. Amended motion then CARRIED.
- 6a. MOTION(Darry/Gerald) that NIFTY offer half-price swim discounts also to disabled and First Nations. DEFEATED
- 6f. MOTION(Darry/ ) that articles, opinions, drafts, etc., on our Web pages not approved by the NIFTY membership shall so indicate—or shall state an author or source. (Failed for lack of second.)
- 6c. MOTION(Darry/William) that NIFTY shall offer on-line swim coupons worded the same as those we have approved and authorized Korky to revise and to print on paper. DEFEATED

MOTION (Marilyn/Michael) that the meeting reconsider item 5c above. CARRIED

Motion 5c (that only official NIFTY discount coupons as found on the NIFTY website be distributed on behalf of NIFTY. Anyone is free to distribute their own material in conjunction with NIFTY coupons as long as their own material is not identified as being sanctioned by NIFTY, is separate from the NIFTY material, and is on separate paper.) reconsidered; this time it CARRIES by a 4-2 vote. Greg asked that his dissenting vote be recorded in the minutes.

- 6g. MOTION (Darry/Greg) that NIFTY swim coupons apply to all our swims. CARRIED
- 6d. MOTION (Darry/Marilyn) that when someone clicks on a NIFTY Web link for a particular event or date, the next information shown shall be for only the event(s) on that date. AMENDMENT (Marilyn/Michael) add the words, "only if there is a change from the usual swim; otherwise the link can be to a generic swim page, or to a specific page". CARRIED. Amended motion then CARRIED.
- 6h. MOTION (Darry/Marilyn) that when serious errors are on our Web site, our Webmaster shall continue to correct them. If our Webmaster does not revise as asked, then our Web arbitrator (a different member) may make an interim ruling, which is immediately binding until all of them agree, or until our responsible committee or general meeting rules. Today's meeting shall pick an arbitrator. That choice shall be agreeable to our Webmaster, if possible. DEFEATED
- 6i. MOTION(Darry/ ) that NIFTY's home page and Links page state: "Independent of NIFTY, a calendar is published of all nude-friendly events in BC: www.korky.ca, pages 'Nude events'." [On our home page, it shall show without scrolling right or down, as seen on a desktop or laptop, such as right under the menu bar.] (Failed for lack of second.)
- 6j. MOTION(Darry/ ) that NIFTY annually award 2 people a year: 'Nude Pride Persons of the Year in British Columbia'. This year they shall be Judy Emily Williams (WBPS) and Conrad Schmidt (WNBR). In future, they shall be awarded based on recommendations of a committee organized by NIFTY of representatives of BC clothing-optional, nudist, naturist, nude art, etc., groups. We don't give it to somebody more than once. No ties. The winners shall always be one female and one male, with leeway for persons of neither sex, changed sex, debatable sex, etc. If a nominee declines, another winner shall be chosen. Winners may accept, yet decline to have their identities published. Awards are for achievement in the movement for social and recreational nudity, topfreedom, etc., not nudity for erotic purposes, though the latter certainly should be enjoyed with pride, too. Awarded each spring, if possible. We acknowledge that British Columbia is unceded First Nations territory. Korky is willing to chair the committee, none of whom shall be eligible for an award. Costs as approved. That NIFTY similarly found a Nude Pride Hall of Fame of British Columbia, to honour persons not living. The first 2 winners shall be Ray and Mildred Connett (both 1915-1997), founders of the first nudist club in Canada, Van Tan Club, in 1939, and of Sunny Trails Club in 1952. Any number of winners may be inducted per year. (Failed for lack of second.)
- 6b. MOTION(Darry/ ) Moved that NIFTY shall not publish articles or opinion without a published source, real by-line, pen-name by-line, 'Anonymous' by-line, 'Unknown' by-line, true statement that NIFTY approves it, or other explanation of responsibility. (Failed for lack of second.)
- 7. MOTION (Marilyn/Greg) that NIFTY support the World Naked Bike Ride, 2014 June 14. CARRIED
- 8. Other business. MOTION (Greg/Darry) that the NIFTY constitution be amended by adding this new clause:

NIFTY shall be and remain a community group with no corporate ties. NIFTY shall never entertain corporate sponsorships or partnerships of any form. This principle shall firmly guide all NIFTY actions and activities. (Anonymous donations, whether from corporate or noncorporate entities, shall not be precluded by this section.)

MOTION (Michael/Marilyn) that the constitutional amendment motion be tabled. DEFEATED.

Main motion then CARRIED 2-0.

- 9. Announcements. Marilyn mentioned the petition and 2014 June 4 open house on the river dredging proposal.
- 10. MOTION (Greg/Gerald) that the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED