VLMS Member's meeting

Date	2018 02 05
Board Members	
Absent:	
Minutes approval	Minutes of AGM – January 8 th , 2018 are not available tonight due to technical difficulties.
New members	Acknowledge and welcome
	No new members
Treasures Report	Report Provided as attached David Hosking and Gary Brooks have volunteered to separately and independently audit the books.
Correspondence (Secretary)	Web domain renewal – standard expense. Rock n Gem Show correspondence from vendors.
Reports:	Sunshine Corner – passing of Murdoh. Club made 2 donations to charity of his choice, Brian delivered cheques to his service.
Sunshine Corner	(Murdoh), Any discussion about honouring Murdoh should be revisited at New Business
Library	Christine is away on her buying and building trip. Library is open for business. No news.
Workshop	Basic Lapidary course just completed and another is planned for starting late February. If you are not contacted by Feb13th, you are likely not scheduled for this course. Please feel welcome to email workshop for updates. Another basic lapidary course and at least one basic silver course is planned for starting after March show. Silver course does have more than one course worth of members to call on. Again, if you want to confirm your placement on the list, and you have been a member for close to a year or more, please feel welcome to email ; at present we are expected to hold this course on a Thursday evening due to preference of current members in line for this course.
Field Trips:	25 th to Island View Beach. Meet at the beach at 9am to look for jasper and agates and "seed the beach". Please sign up with Gilles
Membership	Report and Life Member (name tag) awards to Patrick and acknowledgement of David Hosking.
Report	87 memberships. 187 adults and 18 juniors in good standing. Please check that your nametags are in good shape for the show and check with Margaret if you need a replacement or don't have one. Laphounder magazines available from Margaret
Presidents Report	Oral report provided Trying to increase activities. Please submit ideas identifying all areas of interest via email. Volunteers welcome and necessary. Please share your skills, interest and knowledge via email.
Program	Becci Simmons presentation of our updated website – features and requirements
Laphound News:	Reminder all submissions and reports must be sent to Gary by Feb 15 th
Island Zone	No updates as next meeting will be at our March show on the Sunday.
March Show:	Wendy has volunteer sign-up sheet. Allana has new posters and hand bills with correct dates. Allana explained show history and birth of October Members Show, call for volunteers and general explanation of volunteer positions. Looking for an individual to oversee security
	throughout event. Next Show Meeting meeting is February 20 th at 7pm
Abbottsford Mineral Excursion:	

October Member's	
Fair Old Business	 Board position: Vice President – Mike Hill resignation. Nominations forward are Allana Shillito Motion by Rose Marie. Seconded by Will. Voted yes by majority Honorary membership nominations (Barbara Smith) Meeting locations – propose (June's) Strawberry Social and October's meeting at Les Passmore Centre
New Business:	 1955 VLMS was established, according to a newspaper article found by David Mullet. David Mullet put forth a motion that workshop drop-in fees are totally waived for members Vanessa amended the motion to suggest all fees be paid on a purely voluntary basis Floor opened to discussion. Profits from October show for workshop. Allana amended motion to suggest that intro lap and intro silver courses be free or extremely low-cost (not including materials). Bring numbers to next meeting and discuss further before voting. Tabled until next meeting by majority vote. Gary Brooks suggests people think about what to do with the funds we have on hand for further discussion next meeting.
Break and Member's event	 2.4 carat blue topaz donated by Nick. Marble sphere donated by Joel. Blue Lace Agate donated by Lenny Gilles demonstration – samples of fluorescent rocks for show and tell John and Suzanna brought slabs Brian and Rose-Marie brought polishing grit Joel brought some silver chains, pendants, silver and gold Nick brought blue topaz
Adjournment:	(time)
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