

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Organization: Shawnigan Cobble Hill Famers Institute and Agricultural Society

Date: January 19, 2026

Time: 7 pm

Location: Youth Hall

Present: Roy Davies - President, Gerry Giles - Vice President, Roger Painter – Past President, Betsy Burr, Scott Robertson, George Baird, Guy Kendall, Ann Baty, Kathy Pringle, Anna Bonney, Bill Wikkerink, Dee – Secretary

Regrets: Sonja Clarke – Treasurer

Guest: Michael Wilson, Area C director

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Betsy. 2nd George

Motion carried

Approval of the previous minutes

Based on the previous minutes, Gerry brought up the question as to how often the Geothermal Units will be serviced.

The maintenance committee will be asked to review this and get back to us with an update.

Moved by Gerry, 2nd by Guy

Motion carried

Communication

Scott Robertson withdrew his name from the Election at the AGM meeting. However, there is a seat available on the Board and Scott has sent an email wanting to fill that position to be back on the Board. A motion was made.

Moved by Bill, 2nd by Betsy

Motion carried.

Kim Spears has resigned her seat on the board due to her job taking up more of her time.

Reports / Treasurer

Roy is looking forward to taking on the role of President in 2026. Roy is always open to questions, ideas and information and asked to please reach out if there is anything anyone needs.

Sonja is away this week. Roy sent out the financial statements to everyone.

Betsy would like a list and will email Sonja to see who has paid for Seedy Saturday.

Gerry would like a copy of the 2026 Budget.

Committee Reports

Rentals – Ann Baty

Ann sent out a report. No questions.

Maintenance – Guy

The dance deck must be done and the wood left over from Halloween has to be removed.

Seniors lunch – Gerry

Gerry wanted to confirm that a group of people helped clean up the hall, not just Gerry.

Seedy Saturday – Betsy

We are looking for new ways to expand Seedy Saturday to make it more interesting.

Scott, Roger and Betsy have been hunting down new vendors. There are 12 confirmed registrations with more pending. We are right on track since last mid-February we had 19 confirmed vendors.

Hillside Sand and Gravel and Dinters Nursery will be coming, and we are waiting to hear from the Hydroponics in Duncan.

Fair – Roger

Roger has offered to look after the fair this year. He would like to have a meeting on February 10th to discuss fair details which include booking the fencing and toilets early.

Gerry would like to look after the Pancake breakfast and the seniors and Woman's Institute for Chinese food again this year.

Michael reminded us that it is election year so there may be a lot of politicians at the fair this year.

Michael is hoping Chek TV and Music in the Park will be there this year. Seedy Saturday can advertise what is coming. Eg Fair and Music in the Park

Michael has been able to get a 10% increase for the Farmer's Institute's Grant making the total \$33,000 this year. Michael is also trying to get a annual cost of living increase.

Motion to accept Committee reports

Moved by Gerry and 2nd Kathy

Motion carried

Old Business

None

New Business

Roy was asked to send reports to the membership with financial and minutes. It has been done in the past but not recently.

The Board has no objections to sending the reports again. Gerry will upload the information, and we'll ask Glenn Terrell if he can put up the reports.

Gerry would like to nominate Jean Zucht for a seat on the Board. The question is, is the seat for Jean Zucht or Woman's Institute since Jean represents the Woman's Institute?

Gerry would like to assign a seat on the Board for WI for Jean Zucht.

All opposed.

Motion defeated.

Scott would like to assign a seat on the Board for the person Jean Zucht for 1 year.

Motion carried

Other Business

Gerry confirmed that after the AGM, a report was sent to the Ministry of Agricultural on the previous year's activities. We remain in good standing.

Scott – Social media update and communication: like, follow and share Facebook messages. Send anything about events going on at the hall. Post photos on the FB website.

George – mentioned the Show and Shine will be held on July 18.

Next meeting

February 16, 2026, 7 pm, Youth Hall

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm

Motion to adjourn