MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING **JULY 26, 1994**

CALL TO ORDER A special meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, July 26, 1994 at the ACGS Library. President Pauline Cusson presided. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

ROLL CALL

Pauline Cote, Jack Stanton, Bob Paquette, Julie Smith and Paul Levesque were excused.

The special meeting was held to discuss the meeting Al Hamel held with Julien Oliver in regard to the possibility of writing a grant, to the Bean Foundation, for the Society.

A meeting was held with Julien and he discussed his experience. He has written 3 grants for the Centre Franco-American and he has received money from each. He informed Al that he would be willing to work for us for a fee of \$125.00 per day.

He would like the information for the application in data form and he would write the grant in the appropriate language. He figures it would require about 4-5 days.

Julien has offered to do some research in Concord to find grants that we would qualify for. He has access to records listing foundations that offer grants and what their requirements would be.

Al suggested we appoint a liaison between the Board and Julien to keep him appraised of our needs and requirements.

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Gerry Nash made a motion that we hire Julien Oliver, pay him up to \$1000.00 for his services, and Al Hamel be the go between. Gerry Lalonde second. The motion carried.

Al recommended we prepare a case for this application showing how we invested all the money we had to purchase the building. The building which was originally valued at \$500,000.00 and we managed to purchase for \$84,000.00 and renovate it for our needs. Through our efforts we have raised \$50,000.00 to repay the money we invested in the building. We would design the requests for each different application. We need a financial report and a list of volunteers and the hours they volunteer

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Al has been talking with Attorney Laurie Ebacher who has a data base on people of authority, in the business community and large corporations, with French Canadian names, and he would be willing to share this information with us.

Gerry Lalonde mentioned our fund raising at businesses. He felt it was time to approach French businesses in Manchester and other businessmen who are members of the Society. Gerry Nash stressed that businesses have a Charitable Trust set aside for giving and these are people we should approach.

Pauline reminded the Board about the International Festival at Gunstock on August 13 & 14. We will have a table both days. Roland Marchand, Pauline Cusson, Al & Connie Hamel, Anne-Marie Perrault and Lucille Lagasse have volunteered to help.

There will be no August meeting. The next meeting will be September 8, 1994.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

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