

# **New Brunswick Society of Retired Teachers**

## **Saint John Branch**

### **April 20, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the NBSRTSJ was held on April 20, 2017 with the President Barry Harbinson in the chair. Members present included: Judy Braman, Larry McPhee, Netta Chase, Pat Dugay, Mary Ann Patterson, Nancy Steele, Kathy Dalling, Marg Urquhart, Kathy Wilson Brian Greig , Jean Cameron, Robert Taylor and Gerry Mabey. Regrets were received from Pat Roy and Bill Mahaffy. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 with the agenda being accepted as presented on a motion by Netta Chase and seconded by Mary Ann Patterson. The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as presented on a motion by Brian Greig and seconded by Gerry Mabey.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Robert Taylor informed the meeting the opening balance as of January 1,2017 was \$8863.52. Income from dues amounted to \$1752.00 while expenses were \$1298.62 leaving as a balance of\$9316.90 . It was moved by Robert and seconded by Larry McPhee that a GIC maturing on May10th be reinvested for a two year term. Motion carried.

It was moved by Marg Urquhart and seconded by Larry McPhee to increase the allotment of funds for members of NBSRTSJ to attend the Biennial Meeting in the Miramichi. Motion carried.

#### **DIRECTORS REPORT**

The wellness activity at Carleton Curling Club went well and another similar activity will be planned for the fall.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Kathy Dalling informed the meeting that our current membership stands at 592 members. She also stated there have been several deaths since the beginning of the year. Discussion centered on the need to increase membership with the suggestion the incoming president strike an ad hoc committee to look into this situation.

**TASK:** Kathy will contact the ad hoc committee on membership being formed by the NBSRT with concerns regarding methods of acquiring more members.

**SOCIAL** No report

## **AWARDS**

Any suggestions for nominees to be honoured at the May meeting must be submitted to Judy prior to May 11th.

**TELEPHONE** No Report

## **NEWSLETTER**

Submissions for the Newsletter are due by April 24th. Lick and Stick will take place on April 27th at 10:00.

## **SCHOLARSHIP**

The recipient for the scholarship will be chosen in late September.

It was moved by Larry McPhee and seconded by Pat Dugay, a donation be made to the scholarship fund in memory of Dawson Murray. Motion carried.

## **SCHOOL DAYS**

Pat Dugay and Norma Murphy will be taking artifacts to Fredericton and they will be accompanied by the two new representatives of the School Days Museum.

## **WEBSITE**

Kathy Dalling stated the website is up to date regarding past minutes which are available. She and Ellen Palmer are posting information as it is received. Any information should be sent to both Kathy and Ellen.

**WELLNESS** No Report

## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Marg Urquhart reported all positions requiring nominations have been filled.

## **CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES**

Judy Braman will continue to work on the constitutional changes to be brought forward at the May meeting.

**TASK:** She will email changes to all members of the Board of Directors for additional input. A reminder will be sent out by Barry reminding all members that changes to the constitution will be voted on at the AGM.

**All committee reports are to be submitted to Barry by May14th.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Drama**

Mary Ann, Judy and Marijke Blok are working on this project. Marijke is in the process of writing two one-act plays. The group will meet at Mary Ann's home on May 3,12th and 15th at 2:30.

## **REFLECTIONS**

Kathy Wilson stated that submissions from our Branch to Reflections showed a variety of activities taking place here. These articles were submitted by Kathy and Carol Harris.

It was moved by Larry and seconded by Judy that Jean Cameron be given \$50.00 to purchase cards and stamps. Motion carried.

Gerry Mabey thanked all for the support he has received and since he will not be moving on as President, he offered his assistance if needed in the future.

It was moved by Brian Greig and seconded by Mary Ann an honorarium be given to the church for the use of the hall. Motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Marg Urquhart.

Respectfully Submitted

Patricia Loughery

(Secretary)

### **Addendum: Budget Report and Proposed Budget**

**Moved by Robert Taylor and seconded by Larry McPhee, that the proposed Budget for 2017-18 be submitted to the AGM for their vote**

**Evote: carried**