



NBSRT-SJ FALL LUNCHEON OCTOBER 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order by the President, Barry Harbinson. Nancy Steele, who led the meeting in the singing of O Canada, offered grace.

Netta Chase, Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee, introduced Mechlin Aidemouni who is this year's recipient of the NBSRTSJ scholarship. Miss Aidemouni, a graduate of Saint Malachy's High School is enrolled in the Science Program at UNBSJ with the aim of continuing studies in optometry. She was accompanied by Marion J. Williams, Senior Development Officer for UNB as well as her mother. Netta outlined several of the activities in which Mechlin has been involved since immigrating to Canada in 2015.

Dinner, prepared by the Men of Saint Mark's was served.

Our guest speaker, Bill MacMackin, President of the Greater Saint John Fieldhouse Project, was introduced by Barry. Bill explained the business plan behind the project which would result in a world class facility being built on the grounds of Exhibition Park which would include a fieldhouse as well as a double rink. Potential events capable of being held in the facility were outlined. The proposed cost of the project is about twenty-five million dollars with support being very good. Goal for an opening is the fall of 2018 dependent on funding and construction. Barry thanked Bill for his presentation and made a contribution to the project on behalf of the NBSRTSJ.

The minutes from the Spring meeting were accepted as circulated on a motion by Karen Walsh and Judy Bramen.

Kathy Wilson was responsible for the Memorial Moment which honoured members of our profession who have passed away since the spring meeting.

Nancy Steele, Director of the NBSRT, emphasized the availability of information on our website. She informed the meeting that the Biennial Meeting will be hosted

by MARTA on May 9 and 10th, 2017. A copy of Nancy's report was available to all members.

Social committee Chair, pat Roy, outlined the upcoming events namely the card party on November 10th and the Christmas Gala on December 1st.

Treasurer Robert Taylor informed the meeting his report was information only and did not require a motion at this time.

The Men of Saint Mark's who prepared the meal were thanked by Judy Bramen.

The winner of 50/50 was Mary Lou Joyce. Several other in attendance won door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Nancy Steele.

Respectfully submitted

**Patricia Loughery
(Secretary)**