



New Brunswick Society of Retired Teachers

November 22, 2018 10:00 AM River Cross

Members in attendance: Nancy Steele, Ellen Palmer, Debbie McLaggan, Judy Braman; Diane Stackhouse, Brian Greig, Robert Taylor, Netta Chase, Pat Dugay, Marijke Blok

Absent with Regrets: Pat Murray, Mary Ann Patterson, Pat Roy, Bob Bonner, Barry Harbinson, Marg Urquhart, Kathy Dalling, Pat Loughery

The meeting opened with a review of previous minutes. The minutes of June 21st 2018 were approved as amended. The minutes of September's meeting were read by Judy. An amendment to the dates for the Provincial AGM: **May 7th and 8th, 2019.**

Moved by Robert and seconded by Pat: motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Robert reported a deficit of **490.00** from the Fall Lunch. This was offset by a **profit of \$85** from Games Day. The **current balance** is just over **\$9700.**

Nancy Steele: nothing to report.

Membership Report: Currently 598 members.

Social Committee: The Fall Luncheon and Games Day were well attended and everyone enjoyed the events. Pat announced that this would be the last time the Men of St. Mark's would cater the luncheon.

The Christmas Dinner is booked for November 30th. So far only 33 tickets have been sold. There was discussion of whether or not to hold the dinner. Judy was of the opinion that we would have to pay for the venue, regardless. Pat said that the caterers only charge per person, so that cost would not be an issue. Robert suggested that if we cancel, we might not be able to revive the dinner. Netta asked if the number was from before the second reminder; Pat confirmed that it was.

Brian enquired about the feasibility of using a hotel. Pat responded that this would be a consideration for next year.

Nancy suggested that we use the Lions' facility for this year, reducing the size of the auditorium. Robert reported that we subsidized the event last year, in the amount of \$675 and the previous year by about \$1000. If we cancelled, we would lose only \$225. If we had 50 people, it would cost only \$500, total subsidy. Robert suggested that we send a final reminder today.

Moved by Netta and seconded by Brian: that we proceed with the dinner this year, regardless of numbers. Motion was carried unanimously.

May 10th Meeting and Luncheon: Pat is waiting for confirmation from the Hope Centre.

Card Report: Pat and Marijke reported that cards had been sent to **Mary Ann Patterson (get well)** and **Family of Gerry Mabey**. Cards have also been sent to **Donna Conley Harbinson (sympathy)** and **Pat Murray (get well)**.

Telephone Committee:

Publicity Committee: submitted report from Pat Murray and Mary Ann Patterson

Scholarship Report: submitted by Netta. Netta read a thank-you letter from the recipient, Lauren J. McKinley.

New Scholarship: Netta submitted the description to UNBSJ Senate. They have approved.

NBSRT Saint John:

Education

Minimum Value: \$1500

Duration: 1 year

Graduate of SJHS, SHS, HVHS or SMMHS

Academic Achievement

Third, Fourth or Fifth Year of a combined BA/Bed program.

Museum Report: Some pictures were rejected because no names were attached. Nancy will attempt to identify these.

New Business: Moved by Pat and seconded by Nancy: that we make a donation to the Scholarship Fund in memory of Gerry Mabey. Motion carried.

Wellness: Debbie submitted her report and added that events were well-attended by both men and women.

Old Business:

Travelling Expenses: since Bob Bonner was not present, this topic was tabled till next meeting.

Election: Barry sent a reminder to us that 2019 is an election year. Please let him know your intentions. Also we will be looking for committee budgets.

Committees: Judy urged us to draw more people in at the Committee level, as it is a good way to increase our number of connections.

Motion to Adjourn: Brian

Respectfully submitted

Marijke Blok for Pat Loughery