National Association of Federal Retirees South-East New Brunswick / Section du Sud-Est du Nouveau-Brunswick MINUTES - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

February 23 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Karen MacGregor at 10:50 a.m.

NEW MEMBERS PRESENT

One new Member was welcomed to the meeting, Sandra Lavigne (Department of Social Insurance Revenue).

GUEST SPEAKER

Steve Campbell was introduced by Norma Jeanne Lavoie. Steve is past President of Moncton Men's PROBUS, former Atlantic Director and past President of PROBUS Canada and Immediate past President of PROBUS Club of Shediac Shores. Mr. Campbell said there are 400,000 PROBUS members world-wide, with 35,000 members in Canada. There are six clubs in NB, Shediac being the newest. PROBUS stands for Professional Business and it began in 1966 in England; PROBUS was first established in Canada in 1987. PROBUS members meet, make friends and keep connected, it's about fellowship and learning about the world around us. There is no fund raising nor soliciting and it is not a networking club. Steve says "it's the best deal in town". Non-members should be sponsored by one member and meetings are at 10 a.m. monthly. Dues are \$24 per annum.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the January 26th meeting were reviewed by Elizabeth Steeves. A Motion was made that the Minutes be accepted as presented. Moved by Elizabeth; seconded by Claude Curwin. All in favour. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS Treasurer's Report

On behalf of Jo-Ann Milburn, Treasurer, Elizabeth Steeves presented the financial report for the month of January 2018. The Balance as of December 31 2017 was \$4,974.05; Total Receipts in January were \$5,540.51; Total Expenses \$694.79, leaving a Cash Balance at January 31st of \$9,819.77.

A Motion was made that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Moved by Chuck Lavoie; seconded by Edward Weatherdon. All in favour. Motion Carried.

Membership Report

Jack Dennahower advised that the current Branch membership is 2,952; this is an increase of 5 members since last month.

Luncheon and Banquet Reports

<u>Luncheon</u>

Lorraine has luncheon tickets available for April 27, 2018.

<u>Banquet</u>

Norma Jeanne advised that the June 4 2018 NAFR Banquet will be held at the same venue as last year, the Four Points Sheraton. If you have food allergies, contact Maverick's at least two weeks prior to the Banquet date. Tickets are available for purchase today. Ticket prices are \$15 for members and \$45 for non members.

Caring Committee

Sheila Huntley's report was presented by Karen MacGregor. We were advised that Aubrey Burns and Bob Kirkpatrick are currently hospitalized. Condolences were sent to families for the following deaths: Eleanor Bourque, Clyde Bishop and Laura Langis.

A Minute of silence was held in honour of departed members.

NEW BUSINESS

Upcoming Speakers

Karen advised that our April 27th General Meeting speaker will be Wendy Purdy on the topic of COPD. If anyone has suggestions on Speakers, please talk to Norma Jeanne Lavoie who is heading our Speakers Subcommittee.

Request for funds from Royal Canadian Legion Sunny Brae

A letter was received from the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 54, Sunny Brae advising they were conducting a fundraiser to purchase a wheelchair lift and stair lift and requesting a donation from our NAFR Branch. **Karen advised that the Management Committee approved a donation of \$250, which will be sent today.**

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Nil

50/50 DRAW

Sharon Hurley and Shirley Cail were the recipients of today's draw, each received \$50.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

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