## National Association of Federal Retirees South-East New Brunswick / Section du Sud-Est du Nouveau-Brunswick Branch 64

# MINUTES - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING February 22, 2019

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President, Karen MacGregor at 10.30 a.m.

#### **NEW MEMBERS PRESENT**

Two new Members were welcomed to the meeting, Sharon Beers (PSPC) and Claudette Lanteinge (Foreign Affairs)

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the January 25<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed by Brenda Teed. A Motion was made that the Minutes be accepted as presented. Moved by Brenda Teed; seconded by Pat Goobie. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

President Karen MacGregor advised that she, Lise Bourque and Brenda Teed would be attending the Regional Meeting in Frederiction in April. Training will be provided on Branch Financial management obligations. All 6 NB Branches will be attending.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jo-Ann Milburn presented the financial report for the month of January 2019.

Total Receipts were \$5,603; Total Expenses \$257, leaving a January 31<sup>st</sup> Cash Balance \$12,583.

Treasurer, Jo-Ann Milburn moved that the Treasurer's Report for January 2019 be accepted as presented. Seconded by Lise Bourque. All in favour. Motion Carried.

#### Membership Report

Jack Dennahower advised that the current Branch membership is 2990; this is a net increase of 58 members since this time last year.

### Luncheon & Banquet Reports

<u>Luncheon</u>

Lorraine has luncheon tickets available for April 26, 2019.

#### <u>Banquet</u>

Norma Jeanne advised that the June 3 2019 NAFR Banquet will be held at the same venue as last year, the Four Points Sheraton. If you have food allergies, contact Julie Sarrazin at Maverick's at least two weeks prior to the Banquet date. Phone number is 869-9635. The tickets are available for purchase today

and will be available at the April meeting. Ticket prices are \$15 for members and \$45 for non-members.

## Caring Committee

Sheila Huntley advised members that in addition to reports of death she should be contacted regarding special anniversaries or illnesses so that she can send regards on behalf of the association.

Sheila Huntley's reported Condolences were sent to families for the following deaths:

9877135	James A. Nixon, Moncton (no date given) Judy Turner, his widow also a member
9987783	Leona M. Paguet, 74, Moncton, January 24, 2019 Husband George is also a member
10023677	Jack Irvin Estabrooks, 79, Lakeview Manor, Riverview Formerly of Hillsborough, NB. Feb 3, 2019
NAFR	Wife, Margaret Estabrooks, Hillsborough is primary member of
990438	Mary Loretta Williams, 77, Riverview February 4, 2019 Husband Robert also a member
10006998	Louis G. Quigley, 90, Riverview, NB. Feb 16, 2019 Retired from several Federal Public Service Departments in different capacities over the years.
16931	Betty Lynn Cornell, 86, Stoney Creek, NB February 19, 2019

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

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Guest speaker, Leonard LeBlanc, spoke to members regarding the following.

- NAFR's Strategic Plan the strategic plan will be extended to 5 years and will be voted on at the National meeting in Ottawa in June. The goals are proposed as follows: 1. We will advocate in the best interest of our members and seek to be recognized as a respected voice supporting secure supporting secure healthly and dignified retirement for federal retirees and all Canadians; 2. We will promote membership retention and growth; and 3. We will pursue organizational excellence at all levels of the Association.
- Public Service Health Care Plan We still do not have a decision on the PSHCP case. The time frame for the Courts to render a decision is unknown.
- Senior's issues NAFR representatives, along with other seniors organizations (representing 2 million seniors) met with MP's and the

Minister of Seniors on Parliament Hill to advocate on seniors issues of Retirement Income Security , Need for a Senior's strategy, and Pharmacare.

- Federal Election - NAFR is preparing its strategy in a non partisan way to share views on seniors issues. Will included town-hall meetings.

Leonard answered various questions from the members.

#### **Upcoming Speakers**

- Norma Jeanne Lavoie reported that our Guest Speaker at the April 26<sup>th</sup> General Meeting will be Derek Sullivan, topic The Last Post.

### **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Glen McCluskey mentioned to the membership that a recent notification indicated that NAFR Dues could be claimed on income tax. After discussion it was determined that this is not the case.

#### 50/50 DRAW

Connie Dennahower and Don MacGregor were the recipients of today's draw, each received \$86.00

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

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Luncheon

Guest Speaker, Derek Sullivan/The Last Post