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

MINUTES - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOVEMBER 29, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Karen MacGregor at 10:00 a.m.

NEW MEMBERS PRESENT

Ray Gallant, Spouse of Member Janice Gallant.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the September 27, 2019 meeting were read by Brenda Teed who made a Motion that the Minutes be accepted as presented. Moved by Brenda Teed; seconded by Paul Belliveau. All in favour. Motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Shawn McCord presented to members an overview of the recent changes to Medoc. A 10 minute question and answer period followed the presentation.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No business from previous minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jo-Ann Milburn presented the financial report for the period from September 1 to October 31, 2019.

Total Receipts were \$50.30; Total Expenses were \$2003.34, leaving an October 31st Cash Balance \$6290.65.

Jo-Ann Milburn moved that the Treasurer's Report for the period from September 1 to October 31, 2019 be accepted as presented. Seconded by Chuck Lavoie. All in favour. Motion Carried.

Membership Report

Jack Dennahower advised that the current Branch membership is 2999.

Luncheon & Banquet Reports

<u>Luncheon</u>

Lorraine Casey advised that there will be luncheon meetings in January, February and April 2020. Tickets for these luncheons are now on sale. She encouraged members to buy in advance. **Banquet**

Norma Jean Lavoie advised that the Annual Banquet will be held on June 1, 2020. There has been a change to the chicken meal which will now be Chicken Cordon Bleu. Cost is \$15/\$45 for members/non-members.

Caring Committee

Sheila Huntley read condolences sent out to the families and friends of:

- 16941 Pauline Dalton, 94, Monarch Hall, Riverview, formerly of Moncton. Died October 12, 2019. Pauline was the widow of the late William Dalton
- 1075799 Paul Schofield, 76, Beersville, NB. Died October 22, 2019. Paul was former military and retired from Social Development Canada with 25 years' experience.
- 10146964 Ronaldo Lavoie, 85, Moncton, Died October 23, 2019. His wife Helene, principal member.
- 10092664 Robert Pichette, 83, Moncton. Died October 24, 2019.
- 9880974 Loyal G. Brace, 91, K. E. Spencer Memorial Home, formerly from Lakeville, NB. Died on October 26, 2019. Retired RCAF with 30 years' service.
- 10042499 Joseph R. Allain, 94, War Veterans Health Care Centre, Moncton. Died October 31, 2019. Joe was a Navy Veteran from WWII and retired in 1980 from El in Ottawa after 35 years of service.
- 9878801 Ronald W. Paschal, 74, Moncton. Died November 21, 2019. Ron Retired from Canada Post after 36 in 2000.
- 17407 Harold O. Toole, 107, Lakeville Manor, Riverview. Formerly of Meadowbrook NB. Died November 12, 2019. Harold had a long career in civil service with various positions and ended as manager of Moncton NB and Sydney NS airports. Harold and his wife Eileen were two of our original members of our branch.

Non-member - Darlene Dobson, 61 of Dorchester NB. Died October 29, 2019. Wife of Gaius Dobson – member.

Eileen Whyte has offered to help on the Caring Committee

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

NEW BUSINESS Upcoming Speakers:

Dr. Peter Ford. Cannabis and Seniors. January 2020.

National Office Updates:

Leonard Leblanc provided an update from the National Office on 3 areas:

- 1. A thank you to the Branch for organizing and sponsoring a candidate's town hall meeting. It was well organized and attended. There were 65 events across Canada. NAFR will now be following the minority government situation closely and will keep advocating form Pharmacare, Old Age Security and CPP Death Benefits.
- 2. Perkopolis.com _ This will soon be offered to all Medoc Policy holders free of charge. It provides additional special discounts.
- 3. National Board of Directors meeting in Moncton next week. First time is it meeting outside of Ottawa. Local board members have been entitled to attend and observe. National Directors will be visiting federal departments in Moncton, Shediac, Mirimichi and Charlottetown on Friday next week.
- 4. The NAFR Recruitment campaign runs until December 15th. Information is on the website.

Call for Nominations:

Paul Cassidy made the second call for Nominations for participation on the Branch Board of Directors. All positions, including executive positions are available for nomination. The election will be held in January 2020 with the installation to take place in February 2020. Those interested can contact Paul or Jo-Ann Milburn

Update on DMM:

Karen advised that in addition to the National Board of Directors meeting which will be held next week, the District Management Meeting will also be held on December 4th and 5th. Karen and Brenda will be attending along with two representatives from all branches in the 4 Atlantic Provinces. There will be training on Branch Operational Plans, Smart Improvements, Senior focused discussion Forum and Advocacy. On December 4 the National Association is sponsoring a reception for members of the Federal Council, which will provide our local Board executive the opportunity to promote our Branch.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR 50/50 DRAW

Susan McCarthy and Delcia Landry were the recipients of today's draw for \$112.00. Additional prizes provided by Medoc were won by Janice Babineau, Guy Maillet and Pierre Cormier.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Next NAFR SE NB Branch 64 General Membership Meeting -

January 31, 2020