

NBSRT SJ Fall Luncheon Oct. 25, 2022

The Semi-Annual Meeting of the NBSRTSJ was held on October 25,2022 at the Hope Centre. The meeting was called to order by 1st Vice President, Bob Bonner, who asked Nancy Steele to lead the group in the singing of O Canada. Following our national anthem, Pat Dugay said grace. Following a delicious meal, Bob introduced Marian Williams from UNBSJ who gave a short bio of the winners of our scholarships. The students were unable to attend due to class requirements. The winners were Ashley Cormier and Lily Morrow.

Bob then called for a moment of silence after reading the names of teachers who had passed away since last fall.

Reports from Director, Membership, Treasurer, Social, and Wellness are included in the minutes. These reports were available to all members at their tables.

50/50/ draws and door prizes were awarded.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Ellen Palmer.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Loughery

(Secretary)

Social Committee Report:

Our first event (September 5) was a delicious breakfast buffet provided by Childs Food Catering. We had approximately 95 members present. Fifteen of those were new retirees.

The Fall Meeting and Luncheon will be held at the Hope Center on October 25th. The luncheon will be a chicken dinner, and cost will be \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members. Upcoming events include a Games/Card afternoon at the Assumption Center on November 15

from 12:30 - 3:30 with a lunch of sandwiches and sweets. Cost will be \$10.00 for members and \$15.00 for non - members. (Register with Laura Wheaton - lwheaton@rogers.com or 506-738-2604). Our Christmas Social will be on December 8 at the Saint John Marina from 6:30 - 9:30. A delicious Chinese buffet and entertainment will be provided. Cost will be \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members. (Register with Norma Murphy - ngmurphy51@yahoo.com or 506-659-2553).

Thanks to the continuing subsidy of our events, we are able to keep the costs down for our various events.

Submitted by,

Pat Dugay and Ann Stone

NBSRT-SJ BUDGET AND EXPENSES 2023-2024 (Oct. 31, 2023)		
<u>Description</u>	Budget 2023-24	Actual 2023-2024
Revenues		
Membership Dues - Prov.	\$6,700.00	\$3,342.00
Membership Dues - Local	\$36.00	\$72.00
50/50, Door Prizes (net)	\$400.00	\$247.63
Wellness Grant and Registrations	\$1,200.00	\$545.00
NBSRT Surplus	\$0.00	\$0.00
Maturing Investments	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Revenues	\$8,336.00	\$4,206.63
Expenditures		
Social Committee		
Brunch (net)	\$2,500.00	\$2,790.32
Fall Luncheon (net)	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Christmas Social (net)	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Card Parties (net)	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
Annual Meeting (net)	\$3,000.00	\$1,287.70
Celebration for lifted Covid Restrictions	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social Committee - Total	\$10,700.00	\$4,078.02
Governance		
Bank Charges	\$100.00	\$19.75
Executive Barbecue	\$350.00	\$407.67
Executive Committee	\$500.00	\$243.79
Meeting Facilities	\$200.00	\$200.00
Stalemated Cheque	\$0.00	\$0.00
Governance Total	\$1,150.00	\$871.21
Committee and Activities Expenses		
Membership Committee	\$500.00	\$38.50
Standing committees	\$300.00	\$19.55
Newsletters	\$1,600.00	\$1,150.90
Other Provincial Travel	\$500.00	\$107.16

Wellness Activities	\$2,000.00	\$1,075.10
Workshops	\$0.00	\$0.00
Committee and Activities Expenses Total	\$4,900.00	\$2,391.21
Various Categories		
Donations, Memorials, Supportive Expenses.	\$1,000.00	\$200.00
Memberships Dues (Local)	\$24.00	\$24.00
Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$0.00
Contingency Fund	\$500.00	\$0.00
NBTA District Retirement Dinner	\$200.00	\$40.00
NBSRT Election	\$200.00	\$0.00
NBSRT AGM	\$3,000.00	\$510.00
Transfer to G.I.C.	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Various Categories	\$5,024.00	\$10,774.00
Total Expenditures	\$21,774.00	\$18,114.44
Surplus/ Deficit	(\$13,438.00)	(\$13,907.81)
Budget Approve	d May 17, 2023	
Bank balance (Oct.20, 2023)		\$5,470.57
Uncleared cheques		\$418.76
Added Income		
Current balance		\$5,051.81
Investments	Sept. 30, 2023	\$38,684.83
Membership Shares		\$2,357.53
Total assets	2023-10-20	\$46,094.17

UNB Scholarship Fund FINANCIAL SUMMARY (820061):

Beginning balance as of May 1, 2022	\$144,505.47
Additions to Capital:	
New Gifts - May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023	\$6,375.00
NBUOF Allocation	\$325.00
Income/Loss (Net of Investment Management	\$8,765.40
Expenses)	
Less Expenditures:	
Scholarship/Prize Disbursement	(\$5,000.00)

NBSRT- Saint John Membership Update Oct. 2023 REPORT

Current number of active members: 593

PAST HISTORY MEMBERSHIP

YEAR	MEMBERS	YEARS	MEMBERS
2023	593	2017	594
2022	555	2016	600
2021	563	2015	597
2020	602	2014	592
2019	601	2013	578
2018	594		

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Dalling

Newsletter Committee Report

Since our May meeting, three newsletters have been sent out by letter mail and email.

June - 8 pages – colour – approximately \$525 in photocopying costs

August - 4 pages - colour – approximately \$265 in photocopying costs

October - 4 pages - black and white – approximately \$77 in photocopying costs

For the months of June, August, and October, the cost of mail out was the same -105 newsletters at \$1.12 each.

Over the last few months, we have had an uptick in membership but the new members typically opt for emailed newsletters.

A request from your committee: both Kathy Dalling (who is responsible for the emailed newsletters) and I (who do the letter mail) continue to get bounce backs. In my case, some members have moved, perhaps out of province, and not updated their contact information.

In the interest of protection of privacy, we will not list "missing" members here, but if you do know of friends who have moved OR changed their email address, please ask them to contact me or Kathy, to update their contact info.

Thank you!

Marijke Blok

Wellness Committee Report:

The Wellness Committee conducted an activity survey at the NBSRTSJ at our TGIR Breakfast September 5th to try and plan new Wellness activities this year.

Results:

- 1. Historical walk and talk.
- 2. Boat trip from the SJ Marina.
- 3. Learning to play Pickleball.
- 4. Outings like St. Andrews and carpool to save cost.
- 5. Bus Tour
- 6. Irish Pub Night with Irish music.
 - Applied for the NBSRT Wellness Grant.
 - The next Hiking Club meeting is Nov.8 at Rockwood Park. The Hiking Club will meet every second Wednesday of each month. (next is Dec.13) Register with Paula Scott by calling 506-608-3857 (paula.scott@nbed.nb.ca).
 - Hooked on Christmas craft session will be hosted by Rachel Malone on Nov.29 at the Rivercross Centre from 1-3pm. Learn to hook mini-Christmas ornaments/ gift tags. Price: \$15 members \$20 non-members. Register with Ellen Palmer to secure a seat and arrange payment. (ellen.marie.palmer@gmail.com).

If you have a talent or skill to share or would like to be a part of the Wellness Committee, please let us know. All ideas are welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Scott (paula.scott@nbed.nb.ca) & Rose Theriault (rosethe@nb.sympatico.ca) Wellness Committee Co-Chairs

Wellness Activities 2023-2024

Special recognition to Members of the Wellness Committee: Ellen Palmer, Pat Bastarache, Elizabeth Donnelly- Nelson, Rachel Malone. **Thank you for volunteering and your commitment to the physical, and mental wellbeing, of our retirees.**

Activities to Mark on Your Calendar:

Oct. 25 Semi-Annual Meeting and Luncheon at the Hope Center.

Nov. 8 Second Hike at Rockwood Park 10:30-12:30pm

Nov. 15 Games and Cards

Nov. 29 Rachel Malone is facilitating the Christmas Craft at River Cross 1-3pm. Details & Fee: TBD

Dec. 8 Christmas Dinner Saint John Marina, Chinese Buffet

Dec. 13 Third Hike at Rockwood

Jan. 10 Fourth Hike at Rockwood

Jan. 20 **Dinner at Ale House** at 5pm and **Sea Dogs Hockey Game** at 7pm.

Feb. 14 Fifth Hike at Rockwood 10:30-12:30:

Feb. 22 Bowling & Pizza at the Saint John Bowlarama Entertainment Centre Evening

Mar. 6 **Sixth Hike at Rockwood.** Changed to first week due to tentative Social Committee event.

Mar. (Week of 16) Games and Cards

Mar. Cooking Class/ Glass Blowing?

April 3, 4, Sgraffito Pottery at River Valley Rink

Apr. 10 Last Hike at Rockwood 10:30-12:30

May NBSRT AGM May 13 &14, 2024. Location: Delta Hotels by Marriott Saint John

May NBSRTSJ AGM (Week 3) Location: TBD

Social Committee.

Thank you to both the Social and Wellness Committee for organizing, facilitating, advertising, posting, and sharing ideas. If you would like to be a part of either committee, we would appreciate your help! Contact Anne Stone or Pat Dugay Chairs of the Social Committee or Paula Scott or Rose Theriault on the Wellness Committee. Thank You!



Director's Report to the Fall Luncheon of the NBSRTSJ

- 1. Peter Legacy, NBTA President, expressed appreciation for all the efforts of retired teachers in supporting the "Lemon Campaign" during teacher negotiations.
- 2. Kerry Leopkey, Executive Director of the NBTF: if you did supply over the time of the new contract, you are entitled to Retroactive pay. Check with your district to make sure you are on their list.
- 3. Dale Wheldon from Johnson's Insurance: members of our group insurance will receive new insurance cards in the mail very soon. We have a new Provincial Travel Provider (the phone number on the back of the card.)
- 4. President Bob Fitzpatrick is extremely pleased with all of the activities happening in branches, and our branch was highlighted for our plan to celebrate reaching the milestone of 600 members with a draw.
- 5. No dues increase for 2024. Thank you, Barry Harbinson, for keeping our local and provincial financial house in order!
- 6. Members may attend activities in any branch and will pay the non-member fee to that branch, as we are all members of NBSRT with an affiliation to one branch.
- 7. Saint John is hosting our provincial AGM May 13-14, 2024 at the Delta Hotel. Committee chair, Barry Harbinson, will send out registration information later this fall. We encourage all members to attend this fun and informative event.
- 8. A reminder that 2025 will mark the 50th anniversary of the NBSRT and will be celebrated in the Miramichi. You will see a new website as well.
- 9. Dale MacRae, our current technology guru, will complete his mandate in 2025. If anyone is interested in this position, let our executive know!
- 10.On behalf of our branch, we thank NBSRT President Bob Fitzpatrick for his dedication to retired teachers. Bob completes his mandate as president this year.

Respectfully Submitted, Frances Butler SJ Branch Director



In Memoriam



"Only a moment you stayed, but what an imprint your footprints have left on our hearts."

Dorothy Ferguson

MEMBERS THAT HAVE PASSED AWAY Oct. 2022 - Oct. 2023

Dec. 10, 2022	Lawrence V. Galbraith
Dec. 17, 2022	Willa Steeves
Dec. 29, 2022	Mary Ann Patterson
Dec. 30, 2022	Muriel Loughery
Feb. 20, 2023	Anne M. Wade
Feb. 23, 2023	Bill T. Harkins
Mar. 13, 2023	Joan Wall
Mar. 25, 2023	Mark McAuliffe
Mar. 21, 2023	Martina Ryan
July 21, 2023	Joan Steen
Aug. 18, 2023	Robert McKinney
Aug. 24, 2023	Malcolm Taylor
Sept. 6, 2023	Patricia Campbell

