



The regular monthly meeting of the NBSRTSJ was held by zoom on January 20, 2022 with Vice-President Bob Bonner in the chair.

Present: Judy Braman, Barry Harbinson, Brian Greig, Marijke Blok, Frances Butler, Ellen Palmer, Pat Murray, Rose Theriault and Pat Loughery

Regrets: Maryanne Patterson and Kathy Dalling.

The agenda was accepted on a motion by Pat Murray and seconded by Frances Butler.

Minutes from previous meeting accepted on a motion by Barry Harbinson and seconded by Ellen Palmer.

Business Arising: Frances has spoken to Terry Shipley who is happy to include our notice regarding NBSRTSJ to teachers nearing retirement in Southern Exposure.

The constitutional change regarding the number required for a quorum will be presented at the AGM in May. Article 7 states members present at Officers and Executive Committee meetings must be 50% plus 1 to constitute a quorum. It was moved Brian and seconded by Barry that the proposed change to "members present" become practice until presented to the membership in May at the AGM. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT Barry reported a balance of \$22,598.58 with the Wellness Grant of \$600.00 to be deposited.

PROVINCIAL DIRECTOR The Provincial AGM will be held in Woodstock on May 10 and 11, 2022.

WELLNESS Rose reported the Christmas virtual Wine and Cheese had 20 members in attendance and she thanked Barry for purchasing the gift cards. A monthly wellness activity plan has been included in her email. She informed the meeting that the membership survey will be put on hold until February. Wellness Grant has been received in the amount of \$600.00. A provincial Wellness meeting was held in December and the committee would like the Provincial Wellness web page promoted. Other suggestions for wellness included a book recommendation and an Art class to be presented by Elizabeth Donnelly-Nelson. Red Cross Representative, Wanda Wilson, requested to attend our meeting in February to speak on volunteering for the Red Cross.

NEWSLETTER Maryanne sent regrets but wanted to know if we planned on doing a winter Newsletter. She would compile one if all reports were sent in to her. Concern was expressed as to how to acquire the list of names and addresses since Kathy Dalling is still in hospital. Given the current provincial covid status in New Brunswick, it was decided we would postpone discussion of the Newsletter until our next meeting in February.

MEMBERSHIP DATA SECRETARY Kathy sent an updated number of 557 members.

MEMBERSHIP No Report

SOCIAL No Report

CARD COMMITTEE Pat asked for clarification on Get Well cards. It was decided they could be sent periodically to members with long term illness or other significant reasons. Pat has sent seven sympathy and two get well cards.

NEW BUSINESS It was unanimously decided we would remain in a holding position until Covid gives us a break. The NBSRT is supporting teachers and supply teachers for their efforts during this difficult time through ads on CTV. As retired teachers, we would like to express our appreciation and support to all our former colleagues, who are still teaching during these challenging and uncertain times. We appreciate the work you do for the youth of New Brunswick. Happy New Year to all educators, first responders and to all of you from the New Brunswick Society of Retired Teachers.

Rose suggested one of the activities for March might be Sugar Bush Elmhurst depending on the Covid situation. This will be discussed at our meeting in February.

Next meeting February 17,2022 at 10:00.

Meeting adjourned on a motion by Marijke.

Respectfully submitted

Pat Loughery

(Secretary)