



# New Brunswick Society of Retired Teachers Saint John Branch

**Minutes  
March 18, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 10 am with the following members in attendance: Judy, Brian, Bob, Barry, Pat M., Ellen, Mary Ann, Marg, Kathy D., Kathy W., Netta  
Regrets: Pat L., Rose, Marijke

1. Approval of Agenda with following items added under New Business: a. AGM, b. NBSRT left over old logo materials.) a gathering after vaccines D. River Cross Barry/Marg Carried
2. Minutes approved as circulated Brian/PatM. Carried
3. 1 Newsletter Returned: Ernestine Smith was contacted by Netta and she appreciated call and likes the newsletters. We now have her new address.
4. Treasurer's Report: We presently have \$12,015.65 in the bank.

5. Membership Recruiting: The committee has decided to send a pen to each active teacher in Saint John with a card.

The schools in the area are divided amongst the committee and they will make contact with principals and deliver the pens. The goal is to show support and help them become more aware of NBSRT

Whereas NBSRT SJ recognizes the need to promote NBSRT and improve morale within the current teaching staff, \$1,500.00 should be allocated to accomplish this objective. It is our intent to apply for a grant from NBSRT to help pay for this initiative.

Moved by Barry Harbinson

Seconded by MaryAnn Patterson

Carried

The about motion is accepted by the Executive Committee of NBSRTSJ Mary Ann/PatM. Carried  
Barry will complete the NBSRT Branch Initiative Grant and we will send to the Provincial body.

6. NBSRT Strategic Plan Questionnaire

The executive prepared a draft and went over with the committee. Several changes were suggested and the Executive will meet again to make adjustments and send out to full Committee once complete.

7. Newsletter:

Next edition goes out April 28<sup>th</sup>

Suggestions: NBSRT contest to recruit new members, Encourage members to get friends to join (Marg), Jokes and riddles, Funny experiences that people experienced when teaching

Judy Braman: President: Brian Greig, Vice President: Barry Harbinson, Treasurer: Pat Loughery, Secretary

Website : All well

8. Wellness: 1. We decided to have Membership apply for initiative Grant and Wellness apply to wellness.  
2. Under the Newsletter application we would add a third. The newsletter itself as we are sending out more.. \$328.40 for the last one and still one to go in this fiscal year.
9. New Business:
1. AGM Scheduled for May 20. Will be a zoom meeting with a notice of it coming and members to contact Barry to be invited. Concerns were raise regarding voting if needed. Barry assured us we would be ready. Barry will send Kathy D. a notice to go out by email to members notifying of open positions on the executive committee and how to nominate. (prior to newsletter April 28)
  2. Left over paper pads etc from NBSRT as they changed their logo. Barry will write and ask for materials we can give to members and do up goodie bgs for new members.
  3. Gathering. It was suggested that we plan an outdoor gathering with boxed lunch once people could gather. As the vaccines are delivered and provincial instructions are clear we will set up a committee to plan
  4. River Cross: Motion: to send a cheque for \$100 to River Cross in appreciation and that we intend to return when they are able to make their facilities available to us.  
Marg/Bob Carried

For the first time Marijke did not have to send out any cards!!!!!!

Motion to Adjourn: Brian

Respectfully Submitted

Judy Braman for Pat Loughery