

# NBSRT SAINT JOHN BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

JUNE 17, 2021



A meeting of the NBSRTSJ was held by zoom on June 17, 2021 with the President Brian Greig in the Chair. Members present included: Mary Ann Patterson, Judy Braman, Frances Butler, Bob Bonner, Ellen Palmer, Barry Harbinson, Marijke Bloc and Pat Loughery.

An addition to the agenda by Barry was the inclusion of the Nominating Report for 2021. The amended agenda was then accepted on a motion by Barry and seconded by Ellen.

The Minutes from the May 10, 2021 meeting were accepted as read on a motion by Judy and seconded by Bob.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Barry reported a balance of \$19312.24 with very little movement during the month of May. \$17,421.74 is invested.

## **Committee Reports**

**Cards** – Marijke reported four cards have been sent out by her and three by Pat Murray.

**Membership** - Judy reported the committee has been hard at work. Bob has rewritten letters to all new retirees. The letters and an application will be hand delivered to all in the hopes of having them join NBSRTSJ. Judy wrote to Bob Fitzpatrick outlining the committee's efforts in increasing membership hoping we can piggy back with the NBSRT. Plans have been discussed for a social in the spring. There will be a draw for \$200.00 for members joining by the end of July and a draw to be done in the Fall.

**Web Page** - Ellen informed the meeting the animal picture contest has started but unfortunately there has been limited participation. The provincial web site is

running smoothly. There is a Did You Know Link with a link to a number of items especially a history of the NBSRT.

**Newsletter** - Mary Ann stated 115 copies were sent with no returns. The next issue will be in the Fall.

**Telephone** Nil Report

**Wellness** Nil Report

**School Days** Nil Report

**Scholarship/Memorial** Nil Report

**Social** Nil Report

**Nomination Committee** - Concerns regarding some of the committees. We do not have any one acting as Chair of the Social Committee. One of the new Chairs has offered to leave the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and take on Social if this is acceptable. The Committee graciously accepted Marijke's resignation as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and accepts her offer to serve as Chair of the Social Committee until ratified at the next Annual Meeting.

Until further notice the President would also assume the position of Branch Director.

Scholarship Chair is still vacant. An individual has been approached and Barry is waiting to hear back.

## **New Business**

Discussion centered around the publishing of names of deceased teachers from the Saint John Area. It was moved by Mary Ann and seconded by Bob that once a year a list of all deceased members from the local area be published in Reflections and on our web site. Motion carried.

Our August meeting will be by Zoom on August 19<sup>th</sup> and at that time future meetings will be determined.

Brian will meet with Committee Chairs to investigate the creation of a Branch Operations Policy Manual.

Plans for the Annual Bar B Q will be discussed at the August meeting. CoVid 19 restrictions will play a part in the discussion.

Members are asked to come up with ideas as to how to celebrate the end of CoVid.

Brian will send a letter to Bob Fitzpatrick to congratulate him on his letter to all members of the NBTA.

Rose informed the meeting that the July/August calendar will be published on the website. She is looking for help on this committee. It was suggested there be a new contest for Harvest Recipes with prizes for three random recipes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Frances.

Respectfully submitted

Pat Loughery