NBSRT-SAINT JOHN BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING November 19, 2015

Meeting was held at River Cross church at 10 am with Gerry Mabey chairing and the following in attendance, Netta Chase, Pat Roy, Mary Ann Patterson, Marg Urquhart, Robert Taylor, Nancy Steele, Ellen Palmer. Brian Gregg. Absent: Barry Harbinson, Kathy Wilson, Jean Cameron, Norma Murphy, Pat Dugay, Pat Loughery, Kathy Dalling, Judy Braman, Bill Mahaffey

There was not enough members for a quorum so no motions could be addressed.

Agenda: presented

<u>Minutes</u> of last meeting reviewed. One correction in the spelling of Pat Dugay's name needs to be made. No business arising from the last minutes.

<u>Treasurers report</u> presented by Robert Taylor. The card party cleared \$55.00

<u>Social Committee</u>: Pat Roy stated the Christmas Party is ready to go. Music will be provided by Jeremy Gogan at the beginning of the evening and by Pat Bastarache and Ellen Palmer during the evening.

Howard Johnson is offering rooms at \$75.00 for a maximum of 4 people which also includes breakfast. Reservations must be made 2 weeks prior to the event.

Mary Ann offered on behalf of the telephone committee to call the people on the Christmas Social list who do not have email.

TASK: Pat Roy will ask Anne Levasseur to forward the list to Mary Ann.

The Social committee has composed a "cancellation letter" to send to those individuals who sign up but fail to show up for the various events.

The committee is currently searching for a venue for the May 19th AGM meeting. If anyone has suggestions, please let Pat Roy know.

Mary Ann brought forth the offer of Beaconsfield School to provide a venue for a movie night if there is any interest.

TASK: Mary Ann will approach Bill Mahaffey to see if this is of any interest to the Wellness Committee

Reflections: Kathy Wilson sent her report by email. She is working on interviews of some of our older members in association with out 65th anniversary.

<u>Telephone Committee</u>: Mary Ann is continuing to process names coming from the lists generated by Kathy Dalling as well as consolidating the lists we already have.

<u>Directors Report:</u> Nancy Steele reported that there has been no new business since their last meeting.

<u>Publicity:</u> Brian Gregg had some questions regarding the extra newsletters. He had three names returned and two addresses.

Scholarship: Kimi Collier, this year's recipient, came to the fall luncheon and also sent a lovely thank you letter which was read by Netta Chase.

TASK: Netta was ask to further investigate the information she had received regarding the scholarship and its present value.

TASK: Robert will check if donations are still being made to the scholarship fund on behalf of the honorary members.

TASK: Netta and Robert will draft a notice concerning the scholarship update to go into the January Newsletter.

<u>Website:</u> Ellen Palmer reported that the website is being continuously updated. She would like more pictures from the various events.

<u>Nominating Committee</u>: Marg Urquhart had no new info in this regard. She thanked Brian for accepting the position of Publicity Committee head.

New Business:

TASK: It was suggested that Barry Harbinson send a thank you letter to Lee Bolton from the Imperial Theatre for her presentation at the Fall Luncheon.

TASK: Mary Ann send an email to the absent members of the executive so they may vote on the following motions:

- 1) Moved by Robert and seconded by Marg that a \$100 donation be sent to the Imperial Theater
- 2) Moved by Robert and seconded by Marg that \$500 be sent on behalf of the NBSRTSJ to the Milk Fund.
- Jean Cameron will require a phone call on these motions.

Next Newsletter will go out January 28th. All information needs to be to Brian by January 21st.

The provincial NBSRT gives out Merit Awards. It was proposed that we should put together a list of names we feel could be presented at the Provincial meeting.

TASK: Notice be placed in the Newsletter and on the Website explaining these awards and asking for any feedback

April Event to celebrate the 65th anniversary needs planning. Concern was expressed that time is moving forward and a special committee should be struck. The January meeting must have this as its major emphasis.

Educational topics for membership: Gerry has a tentative date of April 7th at the school board office for Dale Weldon to present on Group Insurance and travel insurance changes.

TASK: Gerry will check if there is any new information

Another possible topic might be 'what information one needs to know prior to the death of a partner'.

TASK: Mary Ann will check the cost of purchasing small notebooks for the members.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting January 21st.