

## New Brunswick Society of Retired Teachers Saint John Branch June 21, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the NBSRTSJ took place on April 19, 2018 with the President, Judy Braman, in the chair. The following members were present: Robert Taylor, Jean Cameron, Bob Bonner, Barry Harbinson, Pat Dugay, Netta Chase, Brian Greig, Melody Hamm, Dianne Stackhouse, Marilyn Lester, Marg Urquhart, Ellen Palmer and Kathy Wilson Regrets were received from Pat Roy, Mary Ann Patterson, Pat Murray, Kathy Dalling, Nancy Steele, Debbie McLaggan and Pat Loughery.

Judy called the meeting to order at 10:01.

The approval of the agenda was moved by Brian Greig and seconded by Pat Dugay. Carried

The approval of the minutes was moved by Ellen Palmer and seconded by Brian Greig. Carried

**Finance**: A financial update was provided by Robert Taylor. Current bank balances are: Chequing Account \$9,144.70, Savings \$2,300.00 plus \$16,500.00 in GICs. A cheque for \$707.50 was received from the NBSRT to cover a wellness activity.

**Scholarship**: There is over \$100,000 in our scholarship fund, thanks in part to Carol Harris Raynes who bequeathed the scholarship \$25,000. A second scholarship will be created with UNB SJ to award an upper level student. In the future individual's donation to the scholarship fund will need to indicate which scholarship is to receive their funds. Recipients will have successfully completed two years of an undergraduate programme and enrolled in the Bachelor of Education Programme. Preference will be given to students who graduated from a Saint John high school. A motion to implement this new scholarship in 2019 was moved by Netta Chase and seconded by Robert Taylor. Carried.

**Action**: *Netta* In conjunction with the Awards Office of UNBSJ, a plan to implement this new scholarship will be develop.

## **Committee Reports:**

Directors Report NIL

Membership Current membership 596, 14 of those are local.

Judy also discussed the NBTA Retirement Luncheon and

the involvement of the NBSRT. This is a partnership that seems to be expanding. Eleven local retirees attended. There was also a discussion on how NBSRTSJ could become more involved with the Local Retirement function.

**Action**: *Judy and Brian* have been tasked with exploring how the NBSRTSJ could play a larger role in this activity.

Social Committee: The AGM at the Hope Center was very successful. Unfortunately the June Games Afternoon was cancelled due to lack of registrations. Next event September 4<sup>th</sup> at Assumption Centre.

**Awards**: Ann Stone was recognized at the AGM for her service to the NBSRT SJ **Cards**: Jean Cameron indicated that she would be stepping down from this position, one that she has held since 1983. Her service and commitment was recognized with a hearty round of applause.

Telephone Committee: up and running

Publicity/Newsletter: NIL

**Reflections:** 

School Days Museum: materials submitted will be delivered shortly.

Website: NIL

Wellness: A trip to the Fundy Trail is being explored, possibly on October 12

**New Business:** A suggestion was made to increase support for delegates attending annual meetings of the NBSRT was proposed. Further discussion will needed prior to making any changes.

A motion was made to thank RiverCross Church for the use of their facility. A motion was made by Brian and seconded by Marg to issue a cheque to the church for \$150.00 as a thank you for their generosity. Carried

Motion to adjourn was made by Brian.

Next meeting date is September 20, 2018.

Submitted by Barry Harbinson