

NBSRT Saint John Branch
Minutes of meeting June 12, 2014

Call to Order: President Barry Harbinson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. at Barry Harbinson's home

Attendance: Barry Harbinson, Marg Urquhart, Gerry Maybe, Kathy Wilson, Netta Chase, Linda Perrin, Bill Mahaffy, Judy Breman, Mary Ann Patterson, Ellen Palmer, Jill Jollineau

Regrets: John Sheehan, Pat Dugay, Kathy Dalling, Jean Cameron, Robert Taylor, Norma Murphy, Carol Ann Harris, Larry MacPhee

Approval of Agenda:

Motion: Moved by Marg Urquhart, seconded by Judy Breman Carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Moved by Gerry Maybe, seconded by Ellen Palmer

Financial Report:

Robert Taylor was not present however a listing of events and their respective revenue/cost amounts were presented.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

Marg's barbeque will go ahead rain/shine. Rain date is July 21st. Expenses for the event were approved. Anytime after 11:30 a.m., eat at 1 p.m.. Potluck/byob/bring a chair, except for meat and buns. RSVP by June 30th. Marg will send out a map.

The Retirement dinner was a success with a good turnout. There were 19 retirees and it was suggested that a plan for formal followup with the newcomers be initiated by Barry Harbinson.

There was no response to the letter written to the executive of NBSRT indicating support for Kathy Dalling as Trustee for NBTF Group Insurance.

With regard to the Pension Coalition Marg Urquhart reported a general feeling of 'best we could do' and not sure if the NBSRT will support PSSA coalition. The coalition has sent a letter asking for donations to support their legal challenge. With regard to our pension arrangements, things are still ongoing. The NBTF sent financial documents to trustees regarding forming the Board of Trustees. The government is sending their paperwork to the NBTF. An announcement is expected July 1st. Questions from the membership included "Do we know of trustee compensation? How much if retired? If still active?"

Social Committee:

Drop out lunch will be held first day of school on Sept 2nd. Contact Norma Murphy to register.

George Little was recognized at the Awards.

Stonehammer has 44 participants. The food order is in, bus confirmed, cheques prepared. An email will be sent to Joan Pearce to confirm the schedule. The cost to the branch will be approximately \$210.

Games October 16 at St. Marks in Rothesay. November games date to be announced. Christmas function yet to be determined.

Scholarship Committee:

Scholarship recipient not yet identified. The cheque has been delivered.

Website:

Ellen Palmeer attended provincial meeting. A picture and bio of Marg Urquhart is required. Picture of executive committee is to be submitted. Reports for the AGM needed for the website. Pictures and information on any event would be appreciated for website. Scholarship recipient picture (when known), Elf program as a volunteer and the memorial list are required for website. Please send digitally to Ellen if possible.

Wellness:

Geo Caching was cancelled due to the weather. Good Life sent some passes for members to try out their facility. They would like to address the group if possible and sent up a table at the fall luncheon. A basic course in photography is proposed for one to two nights. Inquiry by Bill M as to what is a reasonable price? Noel Chenier will offer the course.

Suggested activity included smartphone security. Would it be worthwhile? A second suggestion would be a walking club with Pat Bastarache to lead.

Speaker for October could be travel or UNB 50th anniversary. Action: Jill to ask.

Nominating Committee: nothing to report

New Business:

Meeting place issue as residents are often present in the meeting room.

August date proposed is 21 August at 10 a.m. Barry will contact re date.

A thank you card to be sent to Carol Robertson

Have Dale Weldon down for another meeting. Gerry will speak with him.

Imperial Theatre summer show on the 11th of July is a boys' choir and admission is free.

Provincial drug plan requires everyone to belong to some plan. The province says no one should pay more than \$30 but that would not be true for all prescription. We must anticipate a change in our plan cost. All private plans will be impacted.

Adjournment:

Judy Braman moved to adjourn the meeting.