MARTA

2023 Spring AGM

Location: Legion Chatham N.B.

Attendance:85

- 1. Call to Order: 11:05 AM Andy presided over the commencement of the AGM until Grant arrived.
- 2. Moment of Silence for deceased members: Lois and Maria light a candle and a moment of silence was held for deceased members.
- 3. Adoption of Agenda:

Motion for Agenda to be accepted as is.

1st: Marge McPhee 2nd by Merle Milano Motion carried.

4. Correspondence-Colleen

Thank you note from Vernon and Donna Goodfellow on expression of sympathy and donation to Scholarship fund on behalf of John's memory.

Thank you note from Bill Buggie thanking Association for thinking of him during his difficult time.

5. Business Arising from Minutes:

A letter will be written to Superintendent as a follow up to include Retired Teachers in gym membership initiative for August Colleen and Lois will organize this.

- 6. Committees:
- A. Financial Report: Patsy and Merle.
- B. Reflections: Merle

3 editions are published in Fall/Winter/Spring
Merle submitted Branch News as well as in Memoriams for all 3 editions. Always looking for topics for articles. Please contact Merle.

C. Wellness-Lois:

The wellness committee has met 5 times since Fall meeting.

They hosted 3 great successful events.

A Grant of \$600.00 was received in January which help cover cost of wine and cheese.

3 future activities are being worked on:

A list of members who cannot attend our events

2 Centenarians: Carmel Gallant and Mary Fletcher who are turning 100.

A trip to Confederation Centre to see Johnny Reid play <u>Maggie</u> in August. Next meeting June 15. Everyone welcome.

D. Membership: Andy and Rick.

As of May 31, 2023, has 263 members.

Rick made note that there are 6000 retired teachers in province and that more members mean more creditably.

E. Online Media: Andy.

There is one new feature that everyone should be aware of: a news event calendar at the top margin of the website homepage. This will also allow an interactive map feature which is a great convenience to readily access location of events. Well done Andy.

F. Courtesy: Maria

11 sympathy cards were sent out since our last meeting. 4 cards were sent to our deceased members.

G. Communications: Eleanor

There are 16 callers who made members aware of scheduled events.

H. Scholarship: Liz

Progress being made in receiving all information for candidates.

New Business

MARTA Elections: Grant

Election for President: Charlotte Casey and Vice President-Barb Hondas Grant asked three times if any other nominees.

Nominations ceased and Charlotte and Barb were elected for 2 years. Congratulations ladies.

Member at Large: Karen MacDonald will join Liz, Debbie and Barb.

NBSRT AGM info - Grant:

Bob and Noreen send regrets as previously scheduled appointments.

Retired teachers in province outnumber active teachers. We do have a large voice and influence several key issues such as medical.

Miramichi association is 4th largest in province. Bob's goal is to increase members and support activity.

President Report – Grant:

Report is on line and Grant thanked everyone as his term ends. Grant reinforced "Great Teams" during his term.

Dale made a presentation on 50th anniversary of NBRST Dale made a motion for MARTA to host the the 50 anniversary for 2025, on May 12-13. 2nd by Andy.

Motion carried.

Rick said Grace and delicious meal served by Legion.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 PM

Respectfully submitted by MARTA Secretary, Colleen Hayes.