

# National Association of Federal Retirees Ottawa Valley Branch

# Annual General Meeting April 13 2016

# Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Moment of Silence, singing of "O Canada"
- · Recording of Members Present
- · Approval of Agenda
- Introduction of Guests and Ottawa Valley Branch Board of Directors
- Speaker Presentation
  - o Jamie Mannion CIBC -Financial Planning for Seniors
  - Shawn McCord Johnson Insurance Medoc Travel Insurance
- Introduction of Display Presenters
- Introduction of National Directors
- Lunch
- Official Business of the 2016 Annual General Meeting
  - Minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting
  - Business Arising from the Minutes
  - Treasurer's Report and Presentation of 2015 Financial Statements
- End of Official Business
- Reports of Officers
  - President Steve Fahie
  - o Membership Steve Fahie
  - o Health Benefits Officer Ed Rockburne
  - Branch Report Judy Buehler
- Nominations for Directors
- Election of Officers
- New Business
  - Establishment of new Branch Bylaws
  - Repeal of "Benefits to Seniors Donations Policy"
  - Re-assignment of "Benefits to Seniors Donations Fund"
- Door Prizes
- Adjournment



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# National Association of Federal Retirees Ottawa Valley Branch Minutes of the Annual General meeting

# 29 April 2015 Carleton Place Arena

### 1. Call to Order

President Steve Fahie called the meeting to order at 10:00.

2. Moment of Silence for our departed members and safety of our Armed Forces, followed by singing of 'O Canada', led by Ed Chenard.

#### 3. Recording of Members Present

Judy confirmed 106 members registered in attendance.

# 4. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by George Wood, seconded by Rene Poirierr. Passed.

#### 5. Introduction of Guests and Ottawa Valley Board of Directors

President Steve introduced Greville Price (Regional Service Officer) and Jean-Guy Souliere

(National Director for Ottawa Region), followed by the Br. Board of Directors:

President:

Steve Fahie

Past President & Bylaws:
Vice-President & Treasurer:
Health Benefits Officer;
Ed Rockburne
Secretary:
Lynda Smith
Webmaster & Membership:
Branch Report Editor:
Judy Buehler
Director:
Bill Irwin

(Absent: Jim Piche).

# 6. Speaker Presentation: Heart and Stroke Foundation

President Steve introduced Moyra Lauziere, whose informative presentation was well received. \* FAST (face droopy; arms – raise; speech – slurred; time –to call 911). Healthy eating; staying active and managing stress were highlighted for healthy living.

#### 7. Introduction of Display Presenters

President Steve then introduced: Mills Community Support – Jan Watson; South East CCAC – Tracy Elliott (Community Relations Coordinator); Bayshore Home Health – Jeff Davis (Mgr. of Clinical Practice, Visit, Shift & Private Nursing); and Perth Classic Theatre - Matthew Behrens.



Each of the presenters briefly explained their roles in the community.

Jean-Guy Souliere then spoke briefly on national issues of NAFR (PSHCP increase; pension issue; upcoming election; AMM; growth of organization; strategic plan).

# 8. Minutes of 2014 Annual General Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Tony Carboni and seconded by Tim Puller. Passed.

## Business arising from the Minutes - None.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Ed Chenard and seconded by Colin Sangster. Passed.

President Steve then asked for a volunteer to take on role of Branch Auditor for 2016.

#### 9. Lunch

#### 10. Reports

<u>President's Report:</u> Steve summarized his report (included in handout) – highlighting Branch's position on Ntl. Office changes. Details of second annual Br. fall event were given. Motion to accept report made by Len Johnston and seconded by Shirley Young.

<u>Membership Report:</u> Steve noted numbers are down slightly (due mainly to cleanup of database). Full report is included in AGM package.

\*Change to 'Associate' category - full dues to be paid and full membership rights.

<u>Health Benefits Officer:</u> Ed Rockburne's advised coverage for hospital plan should be reviewed, and changes take up to 3 months to be actioned. Full report in AGM pkg.

<u>Branch Report Editor:</u> Judy Buehler reiterated importance of Br. reports (& implications of latest Ntl. policy) Costs for membership contact (email; regular mail) due to cutbacks of inserts in On Guard were discussed.

<u>Donations Committee</u>: Steve advised that Committee is no longer able to operate, due to new Ntl. policy - wreaths for Remembrance Day being the only exception. Volunteers to lay wreaths at Carleton Place and Arnprior was requested.

**Bylaws:** Chuck advised Br. bylaws are being reviewed and updated. When finalized, they will be presented at next AGM for membership approval.

## 11. Nominations for Directors/Election of Officers

With no nominations from the floor, Greville Price (Regional Service Officer) suggested that members: Steve Fahie, Judy Buehler, Chuck Parent and Jim Piche be acclaimed for another 2 year term.

Mr. Price then spoke briefly of: new 'regions' within districts; branch reporting concerns.

#### 12. Branch Name Change

After reading change into the Minutes, President Steve provided background of proposal, and need to do so at this time. Motion to accept Branch Name Change was made by Ed Chenard and seconded by Nick Odysky. Passed.



President Steve then reminded all members of upcoming Fall Event on 21 Oct. Steve then completed the gift card draws (Tim Horton's and McDonalds). Winners included: Chuck Parent; Helen Black; Aida Tremblay; Bob Bray; Donna Munroe; Mary Schell; Lois Milne; Bill McEwen; Carol Dillon; Holly Patterson; Liette Barrette; Lola Whittle; Janet Younghusband; and Roger Blais.

# 13. Adjournment

With no further business, Steve made a motion to adjourn at 1:30 p.m. Passed.