**National Association of Federal Retirees**

**Quinte Branch 45**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Sept 14, 2022**

**Branch 99 RCL, Belleville**

**Attendance:**

**President: Dennis Margueratt**

**Immediate Past President: Joan Rockburne**

**Secretary: Sally Margueratt**

**Treasurer: Pat Russell**

**Director: Sharon Brohm**

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM
2. **Approval of Minutes:** PPJoan moved for approval of the 5 Aug minutes. Tres Pat seconded. **Carried**
3. **Treasurer’s Report:** Tres Pat declared that the Branch bank balance was $13,538.36.
4. **Secretary’s Report:** Sec Sally declared that no correspondence has been sent or received.
5. **Lunch Meeting Venue Update:** Unfortunately, neither Dir Sharon or Pres Dennis have had any luck connecting with the Grand banquet facility. After some discussion it was decided to move toward organizing a Christmas luncheon at the Elk’s Lodge in Picton. Pres Dennis will investigate securing the Elk’s Lodge for Tue, 15 Nov as well as a caterer for that date. Tres Pat will investigate the rental of a bus to transport members living in Belleville to the Elk’s Lodge. The format for the luncheon will be decided at the Oct board meeting once the venue and caterer have been secured. **Action: Dennis and Pat**
6. **Bill Robertson Ad Astra Stone:** Pres Dennis advised that he received a call from the RCAF Museum in Trenton advising that Bill Robertson already has an Ad Astra stone at the museum and that the Museum is in the process of updating that stone. Tres Pat suggested the Branch pursue the planting of a tree in Bill’s memory either at a location in Belleville or along the Highway of Heroes. **Action: Pat**
7. **Potential Federal Member Location:** PP Joan continues to investigate. **Action: PP Joan**
8. **Potential Guest Speakers:** Tres Pat has a number of possible speakers; however, the Branch needs a venue for a luncheon that will accommodate speakers. Item in abeyance until the need for a speaker arises. No further action at this time.
9. **General Discussion:** Pres Dennis suggested that future Board meetings be open to all Branch members who might wish to participate in the Branch’s operations. While Branch members attending Board Meetings would not have voting authority, they could offer suggestions for operations and potentially could offer their services in support of Branch operations. The concept was agreed to by the Board in principle.
10. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM. The next meeting is planned for Friday, 21 Oct at the Belleville Legion.

Prepared by: Approved by:

Sally Margueratt, Secretary Dennis Margueratt, President