

National Association of Federal Retirees

Fundy Shores NB65

Annual General Meeting May 20, 2021

Zoom

Meeting Guests:

Len LeBlanc, National Director, New Brunswick

Cyril Theriault, Branch Coordinator, New Brunswick,

Peter Kerr, Branch Coordinator, Nova Scotia

Quorum:

After confirming the required quorum of 17 voting branch members had been achieved, Lorraine Scott called the meeting to order at 11:17.

Agenda:

Motion to approve by Harold McInnis and seconded by Catherine O'Leary. Motion carried.

Guest Speaker: Len LeBlanc, National Director.

Len gave a brief report. National now meets 12 times a year via Zoom as no in- person meetings are permitted due to Covid-19. Cyril Theriault is now the new President of the Fredericton Branch.

Minutes:

The minutes from the last AGM of April 11, 2019 were reviewed. Motion to approve by Marianne Haines and seconded by Ruth Pearn. Motion carried.

Finance:

Donna Bovolaneas, Treasurer, presented the prepared financial statements in the following order:

- Reviewed **Financial statements for the year 2019** showing a loss of \$1,508.07. Motion to accept these statements as presented moved by Donna Bovolaneas, seconded by Catherine O’Leary and carried.
- Presented and discussed **Reserves Motion Template as at December 31, 2020**. Motion to approve the attached reserves motion template, totalling \$13100. for the year 2020 was moved by Donna Bovolaneas, seconded by Harold McInnis and carried.
- Reviewed **financial statements for the year 2020** showing net earnings of \$3,719.40. Motion to accept these statements as presented by Donna Bovolaneas, seconded by Catherine O’Leary and carried.
- Reviewed the **Budget for 2021** and a preliminary **forecast for 2022**. No motions required.

Reviews of financial records are to be done on a yearly basis by an independent reviewer appointed by the membership. As the board has not discussed whether to recommend renewal of the existing appointee or seek a new reviewer, it requested delegated authority to appoint its 2021 reviewer at a later date. Motion by Donna Bovolaneas and seconded by Howard Pearn. Motion carried.

Membership:

Catherine O’Leary gave her report. The branch has 1061 members, a small decline from last year. National also down due to Covid-19. She noted that if members pay their dues by credit card, they can have it set up as an automatic renewal and those who pay by cheque can arrange to have it automatically come off their pension cheque. Those members not on DDS are called annually when membership is due. Phone calls work. Approval to accept the membership report moved by Catherine O’Leary, seconded by Eileen MacDonald and carried.

President’s Report:

Lorraine Scott advised the board is now meeting via Zoom. The board met in person only twice last year at Stella Maris Church and followed all Covid-19 regulations. The board is looking for new directors at this time and mileage is paid to encourage participation by members outside the Saint John area. The board meets approximately every two months with no meetings in July or August. Lorraine wrote the newsletters to be put in Sage spring and fall, sat on the National Nominating Committee, and worked with another branch president on the national issue of reserves to ensure the association is compliant with its not-for-profit status. She will attend the 2-day national meeting in June via Zoom.

Sometime in 2022 or 2023 the board would like to have a program again on **You and Your Survivor**, depending on when branch members will be able to meet in person and if there is enough interest in doing another session. Motion to accept the President’s Report as presented moved by Lorraine Scott and seconded by Howard Pearn. Motion carried.

Lorraine reminded members the branch will be celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2023. Hopefully, members will be back to meeting in person by then.

The guests in attendance today will receive a copy of the new **You and Your Survivor** booklet.

Election of Officers: **Peter Kerr** was our officiating officer

President - Lorraine Scott Re- elected by acclamation.

Vice President - Harold McInnis Re- elected by acclamation.

Treasurer - Donna Bovolaneas Re- elected by acclamation.

Membership - Catherine O'Leary Re- elected by acclamation.

Secretary - Fran Hickmott Re-elected by acclamation

Election of Directors:

Martha Peters Re-elected

Marianne Haines Re-elected

Peggy McLean Re-elected

Geoff Howson Re-elected

New Business:

None.

Motion to Adjourn:

Moved by Marianne Haines at 11:25.

Respectfully Submitted

Marianne Haines, Acting Secretary