# National Association of Federal Retirees South-East New Brunswick / Section du Sud-Est du Nouveau-Brunswick Branch 64

# MINUTES - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING April 26, 2024

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

In the Presidents absence, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Paul Belliveau called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

#### **NEW AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS**

Two new Members were in attendance at the meeting.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Frances LeBlanc, Chief Executive Officer for Hospice South-East NB, provided a very informative session on the goals of that organization and the wide range of the services it provides.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Secretary Karen MacGregor reviewed the Minutes from the March 22, 2024, General Meeting. *MOTION*: Karen made a motion that the Minutes be accepted as presented; Jack Dennahower seconded. All in favour. Motion carried.

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

No new items were identified.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

In Treasurer Georges Marcoux's absence, Gilles Lavoie presented the Financial Report for March 1-31, 2024. Total Receipts \$1,660.00; Total expenses \$473.68; Cash Balance \$42,385.17

*MOTION*: Gilles moved that the Treasurer's Report for March 1-31, 2024, be accepted as presented. Seconded by Linda Trenholm. All in Favour, Motion carried.

### **Membership Report**

Jack Dennahower reported that current Branch membership stands at 3,268.

#### Luncheons

Don MacGregor confirmed that 104 tickets were sold for the April 26, 2024, luncheon. He noted it is unlikely there will be a luncheon in September 2024, but confirmed that an eBlast will be sent out in the Fall to keep Members informed

## **Caring Committee**

No departed Members were identified for the previous month.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Appointment of Branch Treasurer**

1<sup>st</sup> VP Paul Belliveau reported that the Branch Board, at its most recent meeting, confirmed the appointment of Georges Marcoux as Branch Treasurer.

# **Atlantic District Meeting**

1<sup>st</sup> VP Paul Belliveau and Gilles Lavoie represented the Branch at the recent 2024 Atlantic District Meeting and reported on the activities and learning opportunities provided.

# **Branch Banquet**

Gilles Lavoie informed Members that our banquet venue, Royal Oaks, is officially in Receivership. He remains optimistic that the venue will reopen in the short term, but in the interim it is necessary to cancel the June 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Banquet. He suggested November 4, 2024 as an alternative date; to that end, he and Lise Bourque will pursue negotiations with the new organization once it is established. Lise Bourque noted that will other venues have been considered, however Royal Oaks is best suited for our organization, assuming it reopens. Gilles asked Members who have already purchased Banquet tickets to retain them. He also noted that a refund will be paid to anyone unable to attend the proposed November 4th Banquet. An eBlast will be sent out in the near future to confirm the information provided.

#### **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Gilles Lavoie noted that, while Members pay \$5.00 for Luncheon tickets, the Branch does pay a balance to the Legion. Members who purchase tickets, but are subsequently unable to attend, should inform the Branch by email or telephone.

# Branch Lucky Draw

Darlene Chappel and Yvon Babineau shared the Lucky draw prize, each winning \$148.00

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

Next NAFR SE NB Branch 64 ANNUAL/General Membership Meeting: September 27, 2024