

**NAFR York Branch Board of Directors Meeting
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM Tuesday March 03, 2026**

Present: Fred Conway, President; John MacPhee, Treasurer; Linda Laffree, Memberships; Frank Froude, Web Editor; Yasmin Bhatia, Recording Secretary; Andrea Agh, Director-at-large

Videoconference: Joe Vettese, Director-at-large

Absent; Vas Sawhney, Advocacy.

Minutes recorded by Yasmin

1. Review and Approval of Agenda: Adopted by consensus.

2. Review and Approval of Amended Minutes of January 06, 2026: Acceptance moved by John, seconded by Frank.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes:

None

4. Reports:

(a) President:

President's report appended.

(i) NAFR News and Communications

(ii) NAFR Ottawa Partner Proposal

(iii) Spring Sage

(b) Treasurer:

(i) Signing Authorities on file: Fred, John, Vas, Tom (deceased). Linda and Andrea agreed to be signatories to replace Tom.

(ii) Final Position: John reported balanced accounts.

(iv) Plans for the audit: Michael Yee has started the audit.

(c) Membership:

Linda could not access her CRM account.

(d) Website Editor:

Frank reported no change.

(e) Advocacy:

There was no activity to report.

5. District Meeting

(a) Attendance:

Fred Conway, John MacPhee and Andrea Agh. Fred to forward John and Andrea the registration call.

(b) Agenda:

Not available.

6. Plans for 2026 (Dates attached)

(a) AGM Plans

(i) John confirmed the Aurora Legion is available on April 28, 2026.

(ii) Guest Speaker – Yasmin has contacted CRA to do a presentation for retirees. The Board authorized a travel stipend and lunch for the speaker. In case an in-person presentation is not possible, a virtual one will be acceptable., Fred noted the urgency of a response from CRA. Andrea asked about past speakers and Linda said she had a list which she would try to locate.

(iii) The Board discussed including recruitment on the agenda.

(iv) Refreshments to be purchased from Sobeys, and John agreed to do that.

(v) Linda will be away in April so Frank confirmed he would monitor the email account and prepare the attendance register. Another Board member will be required to take attendance at the meeting.

(b) Other activities: none

7. York Branch AV System Update

(a) Frank reviewed the bids received for the update - all over anticipated limit. The Board agreed to proceed for now with a suggested expansion of the current method. The Board then approved purchases of up to \$1,000, starting with a \$100 sound mixer.

(b) Progress and Meeting Technicals report appended.

8. New Business:

(a) Bylaw Changes. Report from John postponed

(b) Fred presented a draft AMM proposal "Title of NAFR Official Spokesperson". Linda moved approval, Andrea seconded, and Board approved.

9. Next BOD Meeting:

Tuesday March 31, 2026, at 9:30 AM

Adournment: At 12:00 PM, Moved by Yasmin and seconded by Linda.

Fred Conway	Yasmin Bhatia, Secretary

York Branch
National Association of Federal Retirees
2026 Important Dates

1. Jan. 9, 2026 Submission deadline for Spring SAGE
2. Jan 6, 2026 York Br. BOD Meeting (Zoom Conference)
3. Mar. 3, 2026 York Br. BOD Meeting
4. Mar 20, 2026 – deadline for AMM president proposals
5. Mar 31, 2026 York Br. BOD Meeting
6. **Apr. 28, 2026 York Br. AGM** (Apr. 6 is Easter Monday)
7. Apr. 20-21 2026, Ontario District Meeting
8. April 24?, 2026 – record date for AMM
9. May 5, 2026 York Br. BOD Meeting (Zoom to review AGM Minutes)
10. June 2, 2026 York Br. BOD Meeting
11. June 21-23?, 2026 NAFR AMM
12. June 6, 2026 Submission deadline for Fall SAGE
13. Sept 15, 2026 York Br. BOD Meeting
14. Sept ? – Ontario District Meeting
15. Oct 6, 2026 York Br. BOD Meeting – Thanksgiving is Oct 12th.
16. Oct. 27, 2026 York Br. FMM
17. Nov. 3, 2026 York Branch Meeting (Zoom)