

National Association of Federal Retirees
South-East New Brunswick / Section du Sud-Est du Nouveau Brunswick
Branch 64
MINUTES - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
November 30, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly General Meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. Friday November 30 2018 at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 6, the 2nd Vice President Paul Cassidy being in the chair and the Secretary being present.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the September 28th meeting were read and approved. Moved by Elizabeth Steeves; seconded by Bill Goobie. Motion carried.

NEW MEMBERS PRESENT

New Members present at the meeting were Mike LeBlanc, Francoise MacDonald, Raymond Stratton and Eileen Whyte.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the financial report for September 2018. Total Receipts were nil; Total Expenses \$1,081.50; leaving a September 30th Cash Balance \$5,121.11.

The October 2018 financial report Total Receipts were nil; Total Expenses \$663.86; leaving an October 31st Cash Balance \$4,457.25.

Treasurer, Jo-Ann Milburn moved that the Treasurer's Report covering September and October 2018 be approved as presented. Seconded by Chuck Lavoie. All in favour. Motion Carried.

Membership Report

Jack Dennahower advised that the current Branch membership is 2,974.

Luncheon and Banquet Reports

Luncheon - Lorraine Casey confirmed that Luncheon tickets for February 22nd and April 26th 2019 are now available for purchase.

Banquet - Norma Jeanne Lavoie advised that our June 3rd Branch Banquet will once again take place at Four Points Sheraton; menu choices will be chicken, salmon or beef and ticket prices remain at \$15/members and \$45/non-members. Instead of Mavericks gift certificates, this year the door prize draws will be for gas, groceries, etc. vouchers.

Banquet tickets will be available for purchase at our February 22nd General Meeting; or you may call Norma Jeanne (854-8336) to book tickets if you're going to be away down south.

Caring Committee

Sheila Huntley reported that Condolences have been sent to families for the following deaths: Robert Lenoir MacLeod and Barbara Caines-Thorne adding that former NAFR Member Patrick Albert Hughes celebrated his 100th Birthday in July; he served in the Canadian Army and RCAF.

Sheila spoke about an article in Sage magazine regarding certain airlines offering that the baggage fee be waived if you present your military identification. Check Sage magazine for further information.

A Minute of silence was recognized in honour of departed members.

NEW BUSINESS

Guest Speaker Shawn McCord, CIP is the Senior Manager, Ottawa & National Groups responsible for key account management of many of Johnson's largest national accounts. Sean provided a comprehensive presentation on MEDOC travel insurance.

- MEDOC travel insurance coverage is for \$1Million. Don't leave Canada without travel insurance, our PSHCP is not enough coverage for travellers. Sean outlined what MEDOC coverage includes and that the cost is quoted at price per year, no matter how many trips taken within the year, and up to forty days per trip. MEDOC is not top-up insurance. New: MEDOC's 40 day limit starts the day you leave the Country, not the day you leave your Province, as was previously. The number of trips is unlimited, for any duration within Canada - most popular is the 40-day Annual Base Plan.
- Sean explained a Supplemental Plan which includes 40-day Annual Base Plan; he urged everyone to always read carefully "Exclusions & Limitations". Note that trip within a trip is not covered, unless booked and coverage obtained before leaving Canada - note medical is always covered.
- Sean followed up with audience question/answer participation.

Leonard LeBlanc

- An update on the Court Case regarding our Public Service Health Care Plan was provided. On September 18th the case was heard by the Court of Appeal with three Judges hearing the case. We could only present based on Errors of Law. We are now awaiting the decision by the Court. The CEO and National President were present and reported they were pleased our case was heard. Our lawyers are with the Ottawa law firm Gowling.
Ours is a precedent setting case that can be used in the future as case law and for jurisprudence.
- A presentation was made to Pat Goobie in recognition of fourteen years of volunteer work for the Association. Pat has made important contributions as an Advocacy Program Officer for the Province on behalf of the Association. Pat was also recognized nationally for her volunteer work in the community. The Certificate recognizes her important contribution to the Association and the ten-year volunteer pin is offered to wear is proudly (pins are given in 5-year increments only).

2nd Call for Nominations for NAFR SE NB Branch 64 Management Team

- Paul Cassidy as Chair of the Nominating Committee for the 2019 Election of Directors and Officers advised that all positions are open. If anyone is interested, please contact either Paul or Jo-Ann Milburn as they would be happy to answer questions.

The Election will take place at our next General Meeting on January 25th 2019.
The AGM and installation of officers will take place at the General Meeting
February 22nd.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Norma Jeanne Lavoie confirmed that our General Meeting Guest Speakers will be as follows:

- January 25th 2019 - Guest Speaker will be Joanne Richard, Alzheimer Society NB
- April 26th 2019 - Guest Speaker will be Derek Sullivan, The Last Post

50/50 DRAW

The lucky recipients of todays draw 50/50 (\$99 each) were Paul Cassidy and Ted Riodan.

As well, Johnson Insurance donated a Blanket which was won by Delcia Landry and a Travel Wine Kit, won by Linda Trenholm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Lunch was served following the meeting.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FEDERAL RETIREES

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GENERAL MEETING – JANUARY 25 2019

Election of Officers

Guest Speaker: Joanne Richard, Alzheimer Society of NB

Lunch