

Branch President's Report – 1-June 2021

NAFR Communications since last meeting

2021-05-28	Survey about COVID-19 experience (also May-25, due May-30)
2021-05-28	NAFR (Soulière/Montague at Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs - Institutional betrayal, moral injury
2021-05-27	<p>May News</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moving to Long-Term Care Standards (Flood Webinar) - “A perfect storm of lack of political accountability, private delivery, and weak regulatory oversight.” - LT care costs to triple in 30 yrs; fewer unpaid caregivers - Impact on women at caregivers twice of that of men - LTC workforce mostly older racialized women - Need Federal \$, but for real change because of isms - Standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o need to focus on inputs as quality of outputs not easily measurable o For profits cut non-observable inputs – need national staffing standards and better treatment of staff (contract part-time PSWs. o Ban for-profit or better regulate - Ans – Spending Power, probs with Canada Health Act. Need ironclad \$, transparency, accountability – Indep. Regulatory (=court) system for LTC, Ret. Homes, but prov-based (flexibility) though Fed-paid with Ombudsman. Key response is governance. No one accountable for accessibility. Ans: one regulatory body, independent of industry and government - Cash benefits for home care - Equates LTC and Retirement Homes! Assisted living (publicly vs privately funded) - Sayward – local programs, such as wellness checks, did not ‘Catch on”, not “scaled up”. Proposal would save people from saving for their own home-care. Experimentation with delivery methods – leave that for the regulatory
26-May-2021	CARP, FADOQ,NAFR push gov't to extend the 10% OAS increase from >=75 to all (did not mention the one-time \$500)
26-May-2021	Announce Branch Board orientation webinar (2 parts, June 2 and 6)
25-May-2021	Meet the candidates webinar announced – 1-June-2021
19-May-21	Renewal Calls Webinar
7-May-21	Hearing Life message – available for meetings/presentations

NAFR AMM – this year this will be a virtual meeting in four sessions. Two sessions in June (Elections and Finances in the first) and two in Sept (proposals). Materials are available in the VIP portal of the NAFR website (members only area).

- Reports:
 - o President – successful year – operated, good review from operators
 - Countless Zoom meetings with ministers – incl TB and Seniors, MPs from all parties. No indication of benefits attack, but ...
 - SAGE all in-house (cheaper) and got the grant. Want to get rid of separate branch web sites.
 - Decided a few years ago to transition to a federal national not-for-profit structure, still some branch resistance.
 - o CEO – Anthony Pizzino has just started in the position – short statement
- Elections
 - o Three candidates for Ontario District (one slot), two for Vice-President
- Financial
 - o 2020
 - Revenues over expenses - \$1.5M more in the black (AMM would have been 0.5M, BOD on-line meetings saved \$200K)
 - BUT – membership and membership fees down (600K below budget, \$260K below 2019)
 - AND – Admin fee revenue \$400K below 2019 (to \$1M)
 - Note – DBF up \$160K to 941K (target \$5M); new reserve \$430K Periodical Fund Grant Contingency (~2yrs SAGE Rev)
 - o 2021 Budget and 2022 Projection
 - Dues flat in 2021 and then up a bit to \$7M
 - \$80K in Branch supplementary funding
 - Admin fee revenue down 10% to 936K
 - Leasing revenue down
 - AMM and Board costs up from 2020 for 2022
 - IT costs DOUBLE from 2019
- Town Hall (second June Session)
 - o Will focus on Reserves. Not sure what will happen – recommendations seem to mostly more talk

							ELECTIONS
	2014-07 Board	2016 Board	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 Candidates
President	Gary Oberg	J-G Souliere			J-G Souliere		
Vice-Pres	Marie Bergeron	Ray Goodall		Ray Goodall			Ray Goodall Jacques Lambert
Atlantic-1	Peter Kerr	Peter Kerr	Megan Williams			Megan Williams	
Atlantic-2	Léonard LeBlanc	Léonard LeBlanc			Léonard LeBlanca		
Quebec-1	Jacques Lambert	Jacques Lambert	Jacques Lambert-A			Jacques Lambert	
Quebec-2	Gérald Denis	James Nicholson			James Nicholson		
Ottawa-N-1	Konrad von Finckenstein	Dyane Dufresne		Helen Nadeau-A			Helen Nadeau
Ottawa-N-2	J-G Soulière	Michael Fine	Daniel Brunet			Daniel Brunet	
Ontario-1	Ted Young	Ted Young		Ted Young-A			Carol Grieco Gerry Filek Marilyn Hay
Ontario-2	Ian Gray	Linda MacDonald			Linda MacDonald-A		
Prairie&NWT-1	Ray Goodall	Anne Ashcroft	Anne Ashcroft	Rick Brick			Rick Brick
Prairie&NWT-1	Joe Sanderson	Joe Sanderson	Cynthia Foreman			Connie Kehler	
BC&Yukon-1	Brian Strongman	Brian Strongman	Brian Strongman			Brian Strongman	
BC&Yukon-2	Al Heinrich	Guy Bird			Randy Wilson		

Rules – three-year terms, max two in a row. Successive votes if more than two candidates.