

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

**MINUTES - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
September 23, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of the President, the meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Lise Bourque, at 10:05 a.m.

NEW AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS

Three new members and two potential members were present at the meeting; all were welcomed by the Vice President. She advised all Attendees that a variety of information booklets and other literature, including membership application forms, were available at the back of the room.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Secretary Karen MacGregor reviewed the Minutes of the last official General meeting which occurred on February 28, 2020. MOTION: Karen made a motion that the Minutes be accepted as presented; Dorothy Burns seconded. All in favour, Motion carried.

NOTE: A General Membership meeting had been held on April 29, 2022, but was not considered official since quorum was not met.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No items were identified for discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gilles Lavoie presented the Financial Reports for May to August 2022.

MAY: Total Receipts \$800; Total expenses \$421.15; Cash Balance \$49,648.14

JUNE: Total Receipts \$0.00; Total expenses \$286.98; Cash Balance \$49,361.16

JULY: Total Receipts \$5,147.01 Total Expenses \$1,656.26 Cash Balance \$52,851.91

AUG: Total Receipts \$0.00. Total Expenses \$2,669.46 Cash Balance \$50,182.45

MOTION: Gilles moved that the Treasurer's Report for May to August 2022 be accepted as presented. Seconded by Paul Belliveau. All in Favour, Motion carried.

Membership Report

Lise Bourque reported that current Branch membership stands at 2988.

Luncheons

Lise Bourque noted that while the cost of today's luncheon was paid through Branch funds, going forward a \$5.00 fee will be charged. An eBlast will be sent to Members in October or November to provide information on the November 25 General Members meeting.

Banquet

Lise Bourque noted that the Banquet may be held in June 2023. Members will be updated as plans develop.

Caring Committee

Eileen Whyte, responsible for the Caring Committee, noted that the following Members have been remembered with a sympathy note/card to family:

Ann Kee

James Talbot

Viola McCardle

Dr. Joan Esther Donald

David Moore

William (Bill) Goobie

Roy (Roly) Niles

Rosemary Haney

Jeannette Ralph

George Ross

NEW BUSINESS

President's Update

President Brenda Teed provided a written update on the Board's activities since 2020, which was read by Lise Bourque. Brenda noted that the Management Board continued to meet via Zoom, meeting all financial and governance reporting requirements. Branch Annual General meetings were also held via Zoom for 2001 and 2002. Additionally, Brenda noted several Board member changes, Branch representation at the national Annual Meeting of Members and District meetings, and Advocacy initiatives.

Mega Recruitment initiative

Lise Bourque provided an overview of the current Mega Recruitment initiative, outlined the awards available, and encouraged Members to participate.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

A Member noted that Simply Connect does not provide service in the United States, and requires the ongoing payment of monthly fees even though no service is being provided (ie: Snowbirds). Lise confirmed that the issue will be brought to the National office.

Another Member advised that a free service, Fongo, is available for download, for persons needing telephone service while visiting the US.

A Member asked if the Agenda and Minutes from the Branch meetings could be posted on the Branch website in PDF format. That request will be discussed at the upcoming Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

GUEST SPEAKER

Following adjournment of the meeting, Mr. Shawn McCord of Johnson Insurance provided an information session on MEDOC insurance. He discussed a wide range of topics including upcoming benefit improvements, COVID coverage, anticipated medical inflation costs in the US, and a number of other issues.

Next NAFR SE NB Branch 64 General Membership Meeting
November 25, 2022