

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

**MINUTES - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
January 27, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

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

NEW AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS

Nine members new to the Branch, including Military, RCMP, and Public Service retirees were present at the meeting; all were welcomed by the Vice-President.

GUEST SPEAKER

Secretary Karen MacGregor introduced guest speaker Mandy Whalen, from the Medavie Extra Mural Program. Ms. Whalen covered a number of topics related to the delivery of Extra Mural Services. She also provided the telephone number for referrals, which is: 1-844-982-7367.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Secretary reviewed the Minutes of the last official General meeting which occurred on November 25, 2022. *MOTION*: Karen made a motion that the Minutes be accepted as presented; Dorothy Burns seconded. All in favour, Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

SIMPLY CONNECT CELL PHONE SERVICE UPDATE

Karen MacGregor advised Members that Rogers is offering a special rate for cell service in the United States. NAFR Members can call 1-855-278-3263 for additional information. Members must identify themselves as Simply Connect customers to obtain the special rate of \$75 plus tax for service in both Canada and the US.

PSHCP COVERAGE FOR PRIVATE DOCTORS

At the last meeting a Member asked if the Health Care Plan will cover the fees charged by private Doctors. Karen MacGregor contacted Sun Life; their Customer Service confirmed that PSHCP does not cover fees charged by private Doctors.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gilles Lavoie presented the November/December 2022 Financial Reports.
November: Total Receipts \$230.00; Total expenses \$2,078.43; Cash Balance \$51,658.07.
December: Total Receipts \$0.00; Total expenses \$6,021.71; Cash Balance \$45,636.36

MOTION: Gilles moved that the Treasurer's Report for November and December 2022 be accepted as presented. Seconded by Jack Dennahower. All in Favour, Motion carried.

Membership Report

Jack Dennahower reported that current Branch membership stands at 3064.

Luncheons

Don MacGregor reported that all 2023 General Members meeting will include luncheons.

Banquet

Don MacGregor reported that the Annual Banquet is expected to be held on June 5, 2023. The location has not yet been determined. 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:

Patrick Daigle	Pricilla Doucet
Louise LeBlanc	FJ LeBlanc
Lionel Leger	Carole A. Meunier
Cynthia Joan Richard	Terry M. Tower
Jacques (Chuck) Lavoie (Board Member)	

A minute of silence was observed in recognition of departed Members.

NEW BUSINESS

2023 BOARD NOMINATIONS

Karen MacGregor, Chairperson of the 2023 Nominations Committee, made the second official call for the nomination of Members to serve on the 2023 Management Board. Branch By-laws call for 12-16 nominated members plus an appointed Treasurer. Most of the current Board Members have agreed to continue to serve. The position of Secretary is open. Interested Members are asked to contact Karen.

FEBRUARY 24, 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Lise Bourque advised Members that the Branch Annual General Meeting will occur February 24, 2023.

During that meeting there will be a presentation of the reviewed 2022 Financial Reports and the proposed 2023 Budget. Information on Branch Reserves will also be provided, and the 2023/2024

Board of Directors will be introduced and installed. The AGM will be followed by a regular General Meeting, and a luncheon will be served. Email notification of the AGM will be sent the first week in February.

60th Anniversary of NAFR

Vice President Lise Bourque reminded Members that on October 16, 2023 NAFR will be 60 years old. She reviewed a number of the organizations accomplishments, it's growth, significant changes over the years, and the importance of the organization in the protection of Federal pensions and benefits.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no business from the floor.

Branch Lucky Draw

Darlene Cairns and Don MacGregor shared the Lucky draw prize, each winning \$82.50.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**Next NAFR SE NB Branch 64 General Membership Meeting
February 24, 2023**