## NAFR York Branch Meeting 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM Wednesday November 06, 2024 (Zoom)

**Present:** Fred Conway, President; Tom Nichols, Past President; John MacPhee, Treasurer; Frank Froude, Web Editor (Zoom); Vasdev Sawhney, Advocacy; Keith Chang, Director-at-large; Ed Millar, Director-at-Large; Regrets Linda Laffree, Membership

Tom Volunteered to take the minutes.

- 1. Review and Approval of Agenda: Acceptance moved by Ed , seconded by Keith.
- **2. Review and Approval of the Minutes of September 10, 2024**: Acceptance moved by Tom , seconded by Keith.
- 3. Business Arising from the Minutes: Nil
- **4. Review of Board Positions:** Still looking for a Secretary
- 5. Reports
- (a) President: Strategic Plan. Roy has said that this is the last Strategic Report to go to members; future strategic plans will be prepared/approved by the National Board. Advocacy lead Nationally will be the National Board, Provincially will be the District Directors and Municipally will be the Branches. Fred highlighted the October Bulletin to Branches. CEO undertaking National Office reorganization.

**Action**: Fred to prepare and sent Branch comments on the proposed Strategic Plan.

Action: Fred to prepare comments for Branch Website.

- **(b) Treasurer**: John and Tom still working on getting books to balance. Complication is the bank entries trying to transfer funds to the new account.
  - (c) Membership: See attached membership report.
- **(d) Website Editor:** Frank has been working to fix the website since January. Our Branch is one that they can't figure out why our website can't be updated easily.
  - (e) Advocacy: Nil

## 6. FMM Review:

Frank: A few problems getting set up. Missing equipment. He has the projector.

John. Worked on getting the cheques done and left early. Didn't really participate.

Ed. Is it too complicated? There was an echo problem. Also when John walked over to the screen, you couldn't hear.

Tom: What we are trying to do is complicated and Technical issues occur. If equipment arrives early, we can set up effectively. I couldn't hear from the back so we need to use microphones. We need to have three different accounts so each of the branch computers can be uniquely on line.

Keith: Aside from the technical issues it went well and many positive comments for the speaker.

Fred: Food was excellent. Keith brought water from home. Attendance was 33 in person with 7 on line. Hybrid is complex but useful as 20% attended on line. Good speaker.

- **7. Fall District Meeting:** Fred and Vas attended. Problem is that most retirees are not members of NAFR so we aren't speaking for all pensioners. CEO doing office reorganization.
- 8. Meeting dates. Fred circulated proposed dates. See Attached document.
- **9. AGM Planning**: Date set as April 15 and Legion is booked. We need a speaker. Would like to advertise the speaker in the next Sage which is due in early January.

**Action**: Fred to prepare input for the next issue of Sage to include advertising the AGM with approval of Branch Finances and election of Board Members. Need to inform members that Fred's term is ending and we don't yet have a member interested in becoming President.

**Action**: All. Need a recommendation for a speaker at the AGM.

**Action**: All. Look for members to join the Board

**Action**: All Consider being Branch President for 2025-26.

9. New Business: Nil

- 10. Next Board Meeting: Wednesday January 8, 2025 930-1200 via Zoom
- **11. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn, Keith; seconded by Ed.

**2025 Dates** (All meeting dates on Tuesday unless indicated).

- 1. Jan. 4, 2025 Submission deadline for Spring SAGE
- 2. Wednesday Jan 8, 2025 York Br. BOD Meeting (Zoom Conference)
- 3. Mar. 4, 2025 York Br. BOD Meeting
- 4. Mar 20, 2025 deadline for AMM proposals
- 5. Apr. 1, 2025 York Br. BOD Meeting
- 6. Apr. 15, 2025 York Br. AGM (Apr. 21 is Easter Monday)
- 7. Apr. x 2025, Ontario District Meeting
- 8. April 24, 2025 record date for AMM
- 9. May 6, 2025 York Br. BOD Meeting (Zoom to review AGM Minutes)
- 10. June 3, 2025 York Br. BOD Meeting
- 11. June 17-18, 2025 NAFR AMM at Lac Leamy
- 12. June 29, 2025 Submission deadline for Fall SAGE
- 13. Wednesday Sept 10, 2025 York Br. BOD Meeting
- 14. Oct. 7, 2025 York Br. BOD Meeting Thanksgiving is 13th.
- 15. Oct. 21, 2025 York Br. FMM
- 16. Nov. 4, 2025 York Branch Meeting (Zoom)

All meeting dates on Tuesday unless indicated.

Sage Issue	Deadline	Delivery	Events
Spring 2024	Jan. 4	March 1 to 12	March 2 to June 12
Summer 2024	March 31	June 3 to 12	June 4 to Sept. 12
Fall 2024	June 29	Sept. 3 to 12	Sept. 4 to Dec. 11
Winter 2024	Oct. 2	Dec. 2 to 11	Dec. 3 to March 12

## Calendar for Year 2025 (Canada)

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Jan 1 New Year's Day
Jan 6 Epiphany
Feb 2 Groundhog Day
Feb 14 Valentine's Day
Feb 17 Louis Riel Day (Manitoba)
Feb 17 Nova Scotia Heritage Day (Nova Sc.,
Feb 17 Islander Day (Prince Edward Island) .
Feb 17 Family Day (Many regions)
Feb 21 Yukon Heritage Day (Yukon)
Mar 10 Commonwealth Day
Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day
Apr 6 Tartan Day
Apr 9 Vimy Ridge Day
Apr 18 Good Friday
Apr 20 Easter Sunday (Newfoundland and I
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Apr 21 Easter Monday (NT, NU, QC)
May 11 Mothers' Day
May 19 Victoria Day (Many regions)
Jun 15 Fathers' Day
Jun 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
Jul 1 Canada Day
Aug 4 Civic/Provincial Day (Northwest Territo
Sep 1 Labour Day
Sep 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliat
Oct 13 Thanksgiving Day (Many regions)
Oct 31 Halloween
Nov 11 Remembrance Day (Many regions)
Dec 11 Anniversary of the Statute of Westmin:
Dec 24 Christmas Eve
Dec 25 Christmas Day
Dec 31 New Year's Eve
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## YORK BRANCH ON 55 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

**@November 4, 2024** 

Report	Current	Previous @ Sept. 30, 2024	Comments
Active Members	984	977	
Members Who Recently Joined	11	6	1 Partner member 4 Single 6 Doubles
Unpaid Active Members Lookup – Non DDS	2	3	
Voluntary Member Losses	1	7	
Deceased Members	0		
DDS Expected Not Received	0	0	
Lost Contacts (Active members)	32	32	