NEPEAN SENIORS CENTRE BOARD

BOARD MEETING

February 12, 2025

Present: Steve McIntyre (Chair), Dorothy Latour (Volunteer Co-ordinator), Frank Carbonette (Communications Co-ordinator), Verna Toy (Treasurer), Normajean Barry (Member at Large), Carole Olsen (Absent), Jennifer Stewart (Programme Co-ordinator), Carolyn Beaton (Webmaster) Janet Laframboise (Past Chair).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA –Verna Toy seconded by Dorothy Latour.

APPOVAL OF MINUTES – Frank Carbonette seconded by Carolyn Beaton.

REPORTS

CHAIR

A vote was taken, and Carolyn Beaton was installed as the Webmaster and member of the Board.

A discussion was then held regarding the upcoming February Blahs. It will be held on Friday February 21st. At present there are 42 people signed up. There will be registration at 9 am in the Library Room with coffee, tea and muffins provided. The games in the morning will be Fun Bridge, Euchre, Short Mat, 66, Cribbage and 500. In the afternoon Military Whist, Shuffleboard and Bid Euchre. Some of the games will be held in the Heritage Room while others in Hall F. Lunch will be held in Hall F. Normajean will pick up lunch from Franks and the City will pay. The Crafters have been formally invited to set up a table if they wish. There will be leads at each event to help any newcomers navigate a new game. There will be approximately 5 gift cards and a gift basket generously donated by a retirement home.

TREASURER

As Verna Toy had been away for the January meeting, she gave her report this month. Her report also included the year-end report as well. Basically, we are in fine shape. The only income we have received was from the Crafters. Most of our events have pretty much been break even. In 2025 we will be looking for ways to help the Senior Centre financially as that is our mandate.

VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR

Dorothy Latour submitted the final hours for 2024. The total was 5,328 hours.

COMMUNICATIONS CO-ORDINATOR

Frank reported that the last Military Whist he had 10 tables which represented 40 folks. Best yet. The next Whist will be February 27th. He is also holding an all-day bridge tournament on March 1st. The Board has donated \$100 towards bridge prizes. Frank has enlisted three retirement homes for donations for the February Blahs. They will be bringing muffins, banana bread, snacks and a gift basket.

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WEBMASTER

Carolyn Beaton has officially taken over the Seniors Website as of January 1st from Terry Mayne. She has posted the minutes of the Board Meeting from January 15th.

PROGRAM CO-ORDINATOR

Jennifer has taken over the Hub and announced it will be sent out today.

A question was asked regarding grant money. In 2024 we received \$836.

Jennifer mentioned that it is a long way from February Blahs to Canada Day for an event. Normajean mentioned a Spring Fling. It was thought that might be a good idea and discussion was postponed until our next meeting.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Verna brought up February 28th, which is DON'T BUY ANYTHING DAY. We will advertise it and suggest it is a good idea in this age of consumerism.

Normajean raised a suggestion for the Live and Learn series. She brought in a pamphlet from a company called Home Instead. It was thought this would be a good fit for the Senior Centre. The ideal being that seniors want to remain in their homes as long as possible and this model does just that.

ADJOURNMENT

Dorothy Latour, seconded by Verna Toy.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be March 12th 2025 at 10:00 am.