

## NSRMTA Annual General Meeting Minutes

NSRMTA Convention hosted by: Dartmouth Chapter on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>; Alderny Gate Library

Present: Paula Rockwell (President and Chair), Laura Marriott, Nicole Barrett, Christine Mader, Lorna Wanzel, Heather Pineo Regan, Karen Turpin, Jennifer King, Janette Keefe, Jennifer Moss, Patricia Bryson, Diana Torbert, Andrea Mathis, Kathy Andrew, Jennifer Farrell, Susan Diepeveen, Maria Casavechia, Lana Damaskin, Marianna Rissesco, Skippy Mardon, Peggy Harrison, Michal King.

Regrets: Daryl Chaddock, Megan Wynn

1. Paula welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 2:30pm.
2. Motion to approve the agenda (Jennifer K/Christine M – Carried)
3. Motion to approve the minutes from June 23/2018 AGM (Karen T/Peggy H – Carried)
4. President's report (Paula R)
  - a. Teacher of the Year awarded to Tietje Zonneveld
  - b. Thanks to the Dartmouth Chapter for hosting an enjoyable and informative convention
  - c. Delegates Paula R and Lorna W attending CFMTA Winnipeg
  - d. Students Natalie Mitchell and Andrew Son attending CFMTA Winnipeg
5. Registrar's report by (Laura M)
  - a. Membership is currently at 90 members
  - b. Membership renewals are due by August 30th, 2019
6. Treasurer's report by (Laura M)
  - a. Looking into investment account to ensure we are maximising interest
  - b. New category: 'Advertising' added to expense sheet
7. Chapter Reports: Halifax (Megan Wynn via Laura Marriott), Dartmouth (Kathy Andrew), Annapolis Valley (Heather Pineo Regan), South Shore/Yarmouth (Karen Turpin), Janette Keefe (North Shore). Motion to approve the reports as circulated (Lorna W/Jennifer K – Carried)
8. Scholarship Competition report (Nicole B on behalf of Marilyn M)
  - a. Small committee will look into adding to the scholarship competition handbook to clarify and add a few missing details
9. Composition Competition report (Skippy M)
  - a. Looking for members to help organize the competition
10. Fundraiser Benefit Concert: Paula/Jennifer F – 1,455\$ was raised to send student Natalie Mitchell - Soprano to the CFMTA competition in Winnipeg in July. Natalie sent a lovely thank-you note for the Benefit Concert. Motion to hold a fundraising concert every year (Diana T/Lorna W – Carried)
11. Janet Leffek Endowment Fund for Professional Development is for teachers in the first 15 years of their teaching careers. The policy is to be placed on the website shortly.

12. NSRMTA Pins update – Paula reported that the initial set up and purchase of the pins was incredibly expensive and that has been put aside for now. Membership cards will be done, Paula will look at designs
13. Nominations report and election:
  - Paula Rockwell – President 2019-2021 (second term)
  - Karen Turpin – Vice-President 2019-2021 (second term)
  - Laura Marriott – Registrar and Treasurer 2019-2021 (second term)
  - Megan Wynn – Email corresponding secretary 2019-2021 (second term)
  - Nicole Barrett – Recording Secretary 2018-2020 (first term)
  - Andrea Mathis – 2019-2021 (first term)
  - Jennifer King – 2019-2021 (first term)
  - Amy O’Neill – 2019-2021 (first term)
  - Susan Diepeveen – 2019-2021 (first term)
  - Jasmine McMorrان – 2019-2021 (first term)
14. Motion to add council agenda and minutes to be put on the website in the “members only” section and an email sent out notifying members that something has been added. (Jennifer F/Susan D – Carried)
15. Other business:
  - a. 2020 Scholarship Competition to be hosted by the Dartmouth Chapter
  - b. 2020 Convention and AGM to be hosted by the Halifax Chapter
16. Adjournment (Lorna W)

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Barrett

Recording Secretary