

Voice of Our Alumni

Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College

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In Memorium

On August 13, 2022, at our reunion AGM, the 70 plus members in attendance, after much discussion, voted to disband our Association at the end of the meeting.

The president, Margie MacIntyre '78 and treasurer, Robert Jordan '70 were given instructions to dispense all the assets belonging to the Association. The physical materials will go to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum, the Colchester Library, the Colchester Historical Museum and the Colchester-East Hants Retired Teachers Organization, as appropriate. After all debts are settled, including prepaid memberships, 75% of the financial assets will go to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum and 25% to the Colchester Historical Museum. The digital records will be given to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum as it will be the main contact in the future for the graduates of the Normal and Teachers College.

Those who have pre-paid Association memberships for 2023 and beyond will be given an appropriate refund. A final report will be given when the process is completed.

A Message From The President

Dear Friends of the Alumni, another successful Alumni Reunion has passed and having said that, so too, the conclusion of the Alumni Association of NSTC. The Association, has served the Alumnists of the Normal College and Nova Scotia Teachers College, a connection that has spanned well over 50 years. Credited to Bob Jordan '70, the founding president, we gathered each year in Truro, over that time to reminisce, and catch up on acquaintances from our days as students in our beloved College.

The end to something is a new start, a new beginning. The end of the Alumni Association, is just the beginning of a new chapter. I encourage you to remain in contact with your fellow graduates. By way of social media, or a mere phone call, I am sure friends and faculty will continue to gather, whether it be in a dining place, a cottage, or campground, or visiting someone's home, the College connection will continue in one form or another. There are a number of Facebook contacts, such as Nova Scotia Teachers College (NSTC); NSTC-The Annex; and by classes e.g. NSTC 1978, NSTC Class of 1985, NSTC CLASS OF 1987; NSTC Late 80's and Friends and other years. Peruse Facebook and perhaps your class is on Facebook or create one to connect with long lost friends! Do post on Facebook any upcoming celebrations you may have planned so others can spread the news.

Please remain connected. Records and other documents will be forwarded to the Little White School House Museum in Truro. Their email: friendslwsa@gmail.com. Their website: www.littlewhiteschool.ca. In addition, the website, formerly the Alumni Association website is:

<u>www.nsteacherscollege.ca</u>. Please note that the Colchester Historeum has items pertaining to the Normal College and NSTC.

Again, my sincere thanks to all who supported the Association over the years. Wishing you well!

Margie MacIntyre '78

The Future

Since we are closed and don't exist as an Association, what happens now?

It all depends on **YOU** and the Little White Schoolhouse Museum. They have been given all our records and information and will be the future contact between graduates as long as they exist and there is interest from both sides.

Some of you have joined the 'present' world and have become 'internet savvy'. You Twitter, FaceTime, Zoom and all the other computer means of contact. Keep this up as it is the wave of the future. If you haven't joined already, do so now – it is easy.

You can also plan and hold individual class reunions as appropriate – it just takes someone to lead it. That is what didn't happen in the present – people didn't want to volunteer to lead the organization, which seems to be the sign of the times.

Pre-Paid Memberships

Sixty-five members pre-paid had memberships for 2023 and beyond for an amount of \$2852.50. One person had paid until 2030! Of these members, 8 members chose to not receive the money and left it to be used in the final distribution of funds.

To date there are 10 members who have not cashed or returned their cheques so we can close out the books and the bank account.

2022 Reunion Report

A shortened Annual Reunion was held in Truro on Saturday, August 13, 2022 at the Best Western Glengarry. 100 graduates with 29 guests registered, with 4 members not able to attend because of death (Elizabeth Evans '57) or sickness. All have indicated having a good time and enjoyed meeting old friends.

Awards were given to two graduates for being the oldest attending - Kathleen M. (Poirier) Benoit and Joan Mary (Bissett) Cunningham class of '49, and one for coming the furthest - Patricia (Kennedy) Crnogorac '70 from Alberta. Catherine Gillis '53 name was drawn for a free reunion package. Five members were awarded complimentary reunion packages having graduated 70 or more years ago. The class of 1970 received an award for the largest class attendance.

Attached is a list of all the graduates that registered for the reunion:

2022 ALUMNI FREUNION ATTENDANCE

As of Saturday, August 13, 2022

1949	Kathleen Benoit	1961	David Pottie	1971	Marcia Anderson
1949	Joan Cunningham	1962	Eileen Cohoon	1971	Judith 'Judy' Doyle
		1962	Sheri Gaetz-MacCabe	1971	Joan Jack
1950	Gerald Boutilier	1963	Margaret Jorgensen	1971	Mary MacKenzie
1950	Roderick Boutilier	1963	Charles MacIntyre	1971	Joan McNutt
1951	Elsie Bond	1963	Eugene MacNeil	1971	Judy Ryan
1953	Catherine Gillis	1963	Gwendolyn Spinney	1971	Elizabeth 'Beth' Spindler
1955	Eva Landry	1964	Inez Cooper	1976	Susan Hannem
1955	Daniel MacLean	1966	Shirley Nicoll	1976	Lois Hudson
1957	Phyllis Cote	1966	Patricia Whidden	1976	Margaret Morton
1957	ELizabeth Evans	1967	Diane Morgan	1976	Heather Smith
1957	Beverly Grace	1968	Esther Bishop	1977	Cathy Potter
1957	Nancy Lovett	1968	Judy Harron	1978	Margaret MacIntyre
1957	Eleanor Taylor	1969	Donna Foley	1979	Debbie Fisher
1958	Harold Barkhouse	1969	Peter Mattatall		
1958	Margaret Dawe	1969	Lois Musselman	1980	Edward Avery
1959	E. Noreen Ellis	1969	M. Patricia Smith	1980	Cynthia Cohoon
1959	Evelyn Hawboldt	1969	Susan Turner	1980	Emma Comeau
1959	Glenda Kent			1980	Doris Fraser
1959	Sue Kent	1970	Bonnie Allan	1980	Mary Harrison
1959	Marjorie Rector	1970	Bernard 'Kevin' Beaton	1980	Elizabeth Leedham
1959	Lydia Redden	1970	Shirley Bernard	1980	Anne MacInnis
1959	Mazie Russell	1970	Mary 'Linda' Boulet	1980	Paula Outhouse
		1970	Hector Campbell	1980	Laurie Ross
1960	Marlene Burgess	1970	Patricia Crnogorac	1981	Patti Fehr
1960	Verna Eaton	1970	Margaret Daley	1983	Gordon Armstrong
1960	Lorena Forbrigger	1970	Valarie Anne Higgins	1983	Effie Beaton
1960	Anne Marie LeBlanc	1970	Heather Hill	1983	Cassandra Chisholm
1960	Janet Longley	1970	Robert Jordan	1988	Janet Clattenburg
1960	Ann Misner	1970	Lynn Langille		
1960	Patricia Murray	1970	Karen MacDonald	1997	James Gray
1960	Harold Stewart	1970	Arthur O'Connell	1997	Angela Trenholm
1961	Catherine Antle	1970	Charles 'Charlie' Parker		
1961	Mary Hammond	1970	Edna Phillips	Faculty	y Neil Fisher
1961	Helen MacDonald	1970	Sheila Stewart	Faculty	y David Mckillop
1961	Norma Marsh				

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE NOVA SCOTIA TEACHERS COLLEGE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES SATURDAY AUGUST 13, 2022

The Annual General Meeting of the Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College was held in Salon D at the Best Western Glengarry Motel on Saturday August 13, 2022, at 1:30 PM

Margaret (Margie) MacIntyre called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

Margie welcomed everyone to the meeting. She mentioned the other activities that would take place the rest of the day. She said class photos would follow the meeting.

Adoption Of the Agenda:

There were no additions or deletions, so Margie approved the adoption of the agenda as presented.

Approval Of the Minutes - August 2019 AGM:

Margie MacIntyre approved the minutes of the Annual General Meeting, August 2019 as sent out by Robert Jordan.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

We need to appoint a new executive or make a motion to disband the Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College.

Correspondence:

Robert Jordan has received letters from 8 people saying they are unable to attend the reunion.

Committee Reports:

President's Report:

Margie MacIntyre presented the following president's report:

Margie said that participation has been falling off over the last few years. Most of our members are older graduates and most of the younger graduates aren't interested. Margie said she thought it was time to disband the Alumni. She said there will be a motion coming up later in the meeting that we can vote on to either continue the Alumni or to disband it at the end of this meeting.

Secretary's Report:

No Report

Membership Report:

Robert Jordan presented the following membership report:

Ħ	Total¤	Full≱	Life	5/10 Year¶
				& Honorary¤
Paid-2020-*	43¤	22¤	14 <u>¤</u>	7 ¤
Paid-2021-*	60⊭	28¤	27¤	<i>5</i> ¤
Paid 2022¤	154 <u>¤</u>	71¤	40¤	43¤
Paid-2023-+	68⊭	11 ¤	8⊭	49¤

^{*} to be renewed but I still keep on mailing list.

Total paid membership for 2022 is 222
Membership eligible to vote at AGM is 325
Snail-mail I send out info to: 55
Emails I send out info to:
Full Members = 1190

Full Members	= 1190
Life Members	= 277
Others	= 133
Total	= 1500

Treasurer's Report:

Robert Jordan presented the following treasurer's report:

Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College Financial Statement for the Period January 1, 2022 to August 12, 2022 Current Account

Receipts	5	Expenses			
Balance from 2021	\$19,699.52	Annual Reunion 2021	\$0.00		
Membership Dues 2022, Full	2,850.00	Postage	634.80		
Membership Dues Future, Fu	ıll 175.00	Bank Charges	5.00		
Membership Dues, Other Ye	ars 0.00	Newsletter	0.00		
Membership Dues, 5 Year - F	ull 500.00	Travel	0.00		
Annual Reunion 2021	0.00	Secretarial Help	0.00		
Annual Reunion 2022	9015.00	Annual Reunion 2022	1310.19		
Donations	0.00	Office Supplies	0.00		
Transfers from Savings	0.00	Donations	0.00		
US Exchange	0.00	Miscellaneous *	0.00		
Bank Interest	0.00	Transfer To Savings	0.00		
Miscellaneous *	0.00	US Exchange	0.00		
Newsletter	0.00	Balance on Hand	30,289.53		
Totals	\$32,239.52		\$32,239.52		

Publicity:

Margie MacIntyre said there was nothing to report.

Reunion 2022 -- Margie MacIntyre and Robert Jordan said there was nothing to report.

Newsletter:

Robert Jordan sent the newsletter out by email in November. He sent it out by regular mail to those who do not have email.

Facebook:

David McKillop suggested going on line to see what is there. He said there are scrapbooks and other things on display.

Website and Twitter:

Alexander (Sandy) MacDougall updated the Nova Scotia Teachers College Website recently.

Nominations:

Helen MacDonald called for nominations from the floor for President, Vice President, Secretary,

Treasurer, and all the Area Representatives. There were no nominations.

Constitution;

Helen MacDonald presented the following motions:

Motion I

It was moved by Helen MacDonald and seconded by Margaret Dawe to approve this motion. It reads as follows: Be it resolved, that the Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College be disbanded, effective at the completion of this August 13, 2022, Annual General Meeting. There was a number of Alumni members who participated in the discussion that followed. Any needed clarification was presented by the Council. Motion carried.

Motion II:

It was moved by Helen MacDonald and seconded by Phyllis Cote, and it reads as follows: Be it resolved that any materials both physical and digital belonging to the Alumni Association of The Nova Scotia Teachers College, be turned over to The Little White Schoolhouse Museum, The Colchester Library, The Colchester Historical Museum, and The Colchester-East Hants Retired Teachers Organization, as appropriate,

Motion carried.

Motion III

It was moved by Helen MacDonald and seconded by Judy Doyle, that it be resolved that any remaining monies of The Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College, after all debts are settled, including refunding any unexpired pre-paid memberships, be disbursed to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum and the Colchester Historical Museum in equal shares.

After some discussion, the motion was defeated

David Pottie made an amendment to change equal shares to 60% to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum and 40% to the Colchester Historical Museum. Seconded by Margaret Dawe.

Motion defeated.

Another amendment was put forward. It was moved by Paula Outhouse and seconded by Elizabeth Leedham that the monies be disbursed with 75% going to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum and 25% going to the Colchester Historical Museum. Amendment carried.

The amended motion was then called for and the amended motion was carried.

Motion IV

It was moved by Helen MacDonald and seconded by Kevin Beaton that this motion be accepted. It reads as follows: Whereas, Robert Jordan is currently the Treasurer of the Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College, be it resolved that Robert Jordan be responsible for the disbursement of the above monies as directed. The two signing officers will sign off on these disbursements. Motion carried.

Little White Schoolhouse Museum:

David MacKillop said the Little White Schoolhouse Museum is open for visitors Tuesday to Saturday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. He said there are scrapbooks and many other items on display. He said Faye Arnfast was a great representative for the Little White Schoolhouse Museum.

NSTC Foundation:

There was no report.

Margie asked if there was any reports from the Area Representatives for the following areas:

Digby-Clare-Argyle -- Gwen Spinney

Halifax Regional Municipality -- Sue Kent

Kings-Annapolis -- Krista Wright

Cumberland-Colchester-East Hants -- Katrina Murphy

Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough -- Kathleen Benoit

Inverness-Richmond -- Anne Marie LeBlanc

Northside-Victoria -- Norma Marsh

There was nothing to report as Robert Jordan had sent emails to all Alumni Members who have email, and regular mail to those who don't have email. Margie MacIntyre declared that there were no reports.

The following areas don't have an area representative thus no reports from these areas.

Lunenburg-Hants West -- Vacant

Shelburne-Queens -- Vacant

Out Of Province Atlantic -- Vacant

Out Of Province Quebec and Ontario -- Vacant

Out Of Province West -- Vacant

New Business:

Vacancies on Council -- All the positions on Council are vacant.

Namely: President

Vice President Secretary Treasurer

And Area Representatives for all the areas listed aboue

Election Of Officers:

Helen MacDonald called for nominations from the floor for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and an area representative for all the area representatives listed above. There were on nominations.

Future of the Alumni Association of the NSTC:

As stated in Motions I to IV earlier in the minutes, it was presented and approved to disband the Alumni Association of the Nova Scotia Teachers College effective at the completion of this August 13, 2022 Annual General Meeting.

Announcements:

Class photos will be taken in the MacLeod Room following this meeting.

Robert Jordan thanked everyone for coming to the reunion.

Phyllis Cote adjourned the meeting at 3:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue M. Kent

Acting Secretary for Kelly Ells