

New Brunswick Association of Respiratory Therapist
L'Association des thérapeutes respiratoires du Nouveau-Brunswick

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The New Brunswick Association of Respiratory Therapists Annual General Meeting Minutes

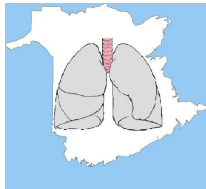
Date: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 1930

Location: Zoom Webinar

1. **Call to order** - Annual General Meeting (AGM) called to order by Mary Williams, President of the NBART at 1941.
2. **Quorum report** - The quorum report was given by Troy Denton. Quorum requirements were not met.
 - Eligible Members = 413
 - Quorum Requirement = 10% = 41
 - Members Present = 39
 - Members Present by Proxy = 0
 - Total Members Present = 39
3. **Approval of the Agenda – Motion** to approve the agenda made by Jessica Kennedy and seconded by Pam Trueman. Motion carried.
4. **Acceptance of minutes from October 21, 2020 AGM – Motion** to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2020, AGM made by Bill Koval and seconded by Carole Lamothe. Motion carried.
5. **Business arising from minutes of October 21, 2020** – nothing identified
6. **New Business**
 - a) Executive Report – The Executive report was given by Mary Williams, President of the NBART.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to welcome you all to the 2021 Annual General Meeting of the NBART. It is both my privilege and pleasure to share with you the 2021 Executive report, to review the accomplishments and the challenges that we have faced over the past year.

First, on behalf of the Board, I want to say thank you and commend you on your outstanding contribution to the care of New Brunswickers throughout these past 18 months in response to this pandemic. This year has been a challenging time for respiratory therapists and our colleagues in New Brunswick. You have stepped up and have proven that RTs are essential members of the healthcare team.



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With the enactment of the Provincial Emergency Mandatory Orders, under the By-law 14.10 Emergency Registration, we have provided temporary licenses to RT's providing care in COVID-19 assessment and vaccination centers.

Worked with GNB and Public Health to include RRT's in the Medical Directive for the Provision of COVID-19 Immunization

Participated in Health Plan Engagement Session with the Minister of Health. It provided an opportunity for regulators and professional associations to provide input into the vision for the new health plan to be released by GNB

We continue to maintain and update the COVID-19 section on our website as new information becomes available to help RTs stay informed

The NBART issued a letter of support to the University of New Brunswick (UNB) for the development of a new undergraduate program, Bachelor of Health Sciences (Respiratory Therapy) Post Diploma Entry at UNB Saint John. This proposed program will enable RRT's in NB to achieve another level.

As reported last year, the NBART is a Provincial Program Client with Equal™ Canada Allied Health Education Accreditation that provides accreditation services to our schools in New Brunswick. Troy Denton represents the NBART on the Equal™ Program Council. We would like to congratulate members of our association who have become Accreditation Surveyors.

As part of the implementation of the strategic plan, the Board completed a detailed action plan to reach our strategic goals of good Governance, enhanced Professional Standards, Communication and Operations for our Association over the next 4 years.

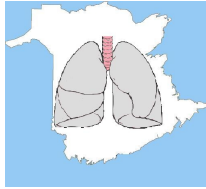
As a thank you for your dedication this spring, the association provided members with an NBART RRT mask.

Due to the Pandemic the AGM for the National Alliance of Respiratory Therapy Regulatory Bodies was postponed to November 26, 2021. The NARTRB has established several working groups including simulation, harmonization, standards of practice and code of ethics in which the NBART will participate. Over the next 2 years, the NARTRB will work toward review and development of the National Competency Framework for Respiratory Therapy.

b) Registrar Report – Troy Denton gave the Registrar's report.

Membership Report

- Active Members = 413
- Inactive = 34
- Associate = 1
- Graduate = 0



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- Students = 46
- Total Membership = 494

Registrar Activities Throughout 2020-2021

- Co-Chair of the NARTRB Registrar's
- Treasurer of the NARTRB
- Member of NBNHR
- Equal Canada Program Council Member
- CLEAR Conference 2021 cancelled
- CNAR 2021 Virtual Conference
- Equal Canada Program Council meetings – June, August and October 2021
- Registration Management
- Registration Verifications (AIT)
- Labour Mobility
- Administration of IEHP and Return to Work Assessment Processes
- Continuing Competency Program Audits
- Position Statement, Policy and Rule Development
- worked at length with GNB to ensure COVID 19 vaccinations were available to all Respiratory Therapists
- Complaints Intake and Investigation
- Database Management
- Website Management
- New strategic plan

c) Financial Report – The financial report was delivered by Troy Denton.

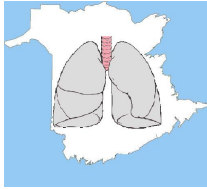
d) Committee Reports – The committee reports were delivered by Troy Denton Registrar/Executive Director of the NBART.

Complaints – 1 active investigation

Discipline – no decisions

Fitness to Practice – one decision received from the Complaints Committee

e) Election of Officers – Mary Williams term as President ended. Francois Maltais, President Elect, moves to President. Mary Williams will begin a one (1) year term as Past President. Two (2) director positions are vacant on the Board of Directors. Only one nomination was received for each position. Positions were awarded by acclamation: Pam Trueman, Director (three (3) year term) and Tony Robichaud, Director (Three (3) year term).



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Board of Directors for 2021-2022

President – Francois Maltais
Past President – Mary Williams
Treasurer – Patrick Dugas
Director – Pam Trueman
Director – Tony Robichaud
Director – Jennie Ingalls
Director – Mike Campbell
Director – Glenn Miller (Public Member)

7. Adjournment – **Motion** to adjourn made by Maryse Audit. Meeting adjourned at 2021.