

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

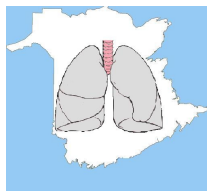
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The New Brunswick Association of Respiratory Therapists Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, November 28, 2024

Location: Microsoft Teams

1. **Call to order** - Annual General Meeting (AGM) called to order by Jennie Ingalls, President of the NBART at 1212.
2. **Land Acknowledgement** – Land acknowledgment read by Jennie Ingalls.
3. **Quorum report** - The quorum report was given by Troy Denton. Quorum requirements were met.
 - Eligible Members = 435
 - Quorum Requirement = 10% = 44
 - Members Present = 48
 - Members Present by Proxy = 1
 - Total Members Present = 49
4. **Approval of the Agenda – Motion** to approve the agenda made by Carolyn McCoy and seconded by Emily Kitts. Motion carried.
5. **Acceptance of minutes from November 21, 2023 AGM – Motion** to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2023 AGM made by Jenn Rooney and seconded by Elizabeth Hoogendyk. Motion carried.
6. **Business arising from minutes of November 21, 2023** – nothing identified
7. **New Business**
 - a. Executive Report – The Executive report was given by Jennie Ingalls, President of the NBART
 - Good afternoon I am pleased to share the executive summary for the NBART for 2024.
 - This past year has been one of considerable progress and collaboration for the New Brunswick Association of Respiratory Therapists (NBART). I would like to highlight some of our key achievements and ongoing initiatives:
 - A major milestone was achieved with the finalization and publication of the National Competency Framework. This comprehensive document will guide and standardize respiratory therapy education across the country and establish the basis for the credentialing exam administered by Health Professionals Testing Canada beginning in 2027. This document, which was a multi-year project, in



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collaboration with the regulatory bodies across Canada will continue to support excellence in Respiratory Therapy education and practice.

- Work is well underway on a Standards of Practice document for respiratory therapists. We are grateful for the feedback that we received from RTs across the province. Once completed, this document will establish clear professional expectations and further elevate the quality and consistency of respiratory therapy in New Brunswick.
- Recognizing the challenges and benefits of welcoming internationally trained healthcare professionals into the workforce, we expanded our collaboration with the Department of Post-Secondary Education, Training, and Labour. Together, we are working to streamline pathways for internationally trained healthcare workers to contribute their skills effectively within the province.
- In an effort to increase member benefits, NBART has established a partnership with Higgins Insurance. This collaboration provides NBART members with access to exclusive insurance benefits, proving our commitment to supporting our members both professionally and personally. We are also excited to announce a \$1000 scholarship that will be available to NBART members and families beginning in 2025. We will share details on the application process in the New Year.
- These achievements underscore NBART's dedication to respiratory therapy practice in New Brunswick. We look forward to building on this momentum in the coming year to further support our members and the communities they serve.

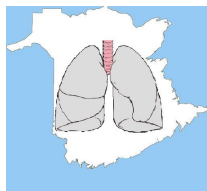
b. Registrar Report – Troy Denton gave the Registrar's report.

Membership Report

- Active Members = 435
- Inactive = 49
- Associate = 2
- Graduate = 4
- Students = 58

Registrar/ Executive Director Activities

- President – NARTRB
- Member - NCF Steering Committee
- Member - NBNHR
- Member - EQual™ Forum
- Member – NARTRB Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics Working Group
- Member - Program Advisory Committee (PAC) for Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program (Student-Infused)
- Registration Management
- Labour Mobility Coordination / Registration Verifications (AIT)
- Administration of IEHP and Return to Work Assessment



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- Continuing Competency Program Audits
 - Position Statement, Policy and Rule Development
 - Complaints Intake and Investigation
 - Database Management
 - Cyberattack – January 2024
 - Website Management
 - NARTRB – National Competency Framework Revisions
 - Equal Forum meetings – March, June, September (Ottawa) 2023; March, June, September 2024
 - CNAR Conference 2023 (virtual); 2024 (Ottawa)
- 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 – no investigations
 - Discipline – no decisions
 - Fitness to Practice – no decisions
- e. Election of Officers and Directors
- Election for President-Elect was held. Positon was elected by acclamation.
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 - Election for two Director positons was held.
- NBART Board of Directors for 2024-2025*
- President – Jennie Ingalls
Past President – Francois Maltais
Treasuer – Mike Campbell
Director – Pam Trueman
Director – Janice Collins
Director – Tony Robichaud
Director – Shaun McCarville
Public Member – Glenn Miller
8. Adjournment – **Motion** to adjourn the meeting made by Emily Kitts . Meeting adjourned at 1250.