#### **NEW BRUNSWICK ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS (NBAFC)**

Jan 24 & 25, 2025

Fredericton N.B.

**Chair: Scott Poupart** 

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 24, 2025. Meet-and-greet open to all local fire chiefs and officers. All board members and associate directors introduced themselves and gave a brief description of their role on the board. Q & A took place.

Saturday Attendance: Scott Poupart, Charlie Chiasson, Jody Price, Lynne Gallant-Valley,
Dwayne Stephenson, Serge Gallant, Kevin Theriault, Tim Corbin, Charles MacNeil, Charles Kavanaugh,
Scott Worden, Corey Nicholas, Justin McGuigan, Tony Cole, Harry Farrell, Mike Lewis, Derrick Fillmore,
Ivan Corbett

Absent: Mathieu Lanteigne, Darren Hambrook, Roger Pitre, Brad Calhoun, Jeff Cross

Saturday Meeting called to order at 8:43 am.

Review of Agenda - Motion to accept by Dwayne Stephenson and Charles Kavanaugh

Review of Minutes - Motion to accept by Tim Corbin, seconded by Kevin Theriault

#### **President's Report** – Scott Poupart

Since the October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting in Grand Falls, I have continued to represent the NBAFC on several Provincial committees including meetings with the Fire Certification Board of New Brunswick, the Training Standards Committee, and the Joint Emergency Management Committee, all of who have held meetings since October.

Nationally, I have attended the National Advisory Council meetings as the New Brunswick representative. As part of the Canadian Association Fire Chiefs are focus since October has been to prepare for Government Relations Week in Ottawa during the first week of December. At this year's GRW we lobbied MP's and Senators from both sides of the floor on our two main asks; The establishment of a Federal Fire Administrator and the reestablishment of a revamped JEPP to help with funding gaps being felt throughout the nation's fire services.

I was accompanied to GRW by our entire Executive and I thank the board for standing behind this. I think it is important we continue this trend, if possible, financially.

I responded to several English media requests including one concerning, our fire departments responding to medical calls and another inquiring whether our fire services were equipped to help respond to the predicted increase in wildfires being brought on by climate change and one on comparing how we train firefighters provincially compared to what is done in Nova Scotia. I cut this interview short as the reporter wanted comments on the suspension and running of the Nova Scotia fire school. Roger and Kevin also have covered off on some of these requests as well as attending meetings and events such as the fire chief of the day.

On January 4<sup>th</sup>, I accompanied the rest of the Executive in attending the funeral services for Captain Tim Dryden in Salisbury. I was truly touched by the support shown from across our provincial fire service and the general population of the town. It reinforced the value and appreciation our volunteer fire service holds within our citizenship. Kudos to the Salisbury Fire Department for the organization of such a heartfelt send off for Tim.

On January 14<sup>th</sup>, the Executive was invited to meet the new Minister of Justice and Public Safety Robert Gauvin. We were made aware that budgetary asks for 2025 needed to be submitted prior to month's end. With this in mind we went into the meeting with three main asks based on previous conversations with the board. (Attached agenda). This stepped away from our normal process of setting priorities with the Board at our April meeting and we may wish to review timing for this process. For the fiscal asks, the Minister came back looking for clearer justification which we provided, especially on the two main asks. (Attached proposals).

We have also filed for our annual PETL Grant for the NBCC from the responsive project fund for continued work on the FTC. (attached)

I move my report be accepted as written. seconded by Scott Worden

#### Report for the Maritime Fire Chiefs Association (MFCA) - Charles Kavanaugh

Meeting monthly. Will be meeting on 18 & 19 of October. Next years convention will be in Summerside, PEI, July 3-6, 2025. Hotel is already full.

We are looking for topic of interest for Virtual training – focus on Leadership.

Scott Poupart- confidentiality agreement was discussed Lynne will send out for those who have not signed yet.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Finance and Fundraising Committee - Jody Price

FENETY **\$44,828.49** INVESTA **\$541,710.82** 

Bank **\$123,230.24** 

Jody Price will be taking over on the Finance Committee.

#### Firefighter Certification Board – Jody Price

We will be applying for a SEED student to work in Miramichi. Remi will work with them. There have been some changes with the certification at the OFM. We would like chiefs to email all certification questions to fcpnb.gnb.ca. Do not send to individuals. This will help streamline all certification questions and requests.

#### Awards Committee – Kevin Theriault

Recommendations for changes:

- 1. Deadlines for the following awards:
  - a. Hall of Flame, October 31
  - b. Certificate of Courage, no Deadline, be presented at any time?
  - c. President's Awards, no Deadline, may be presented at any time?
  - d. Bursary, March 31

We will meet in February as we will have to review applications and discuss changes. Scott Rowe from Oromocto has asked to join the awards committee. Lynne currently has a few applications to review.

#### Training and Education – Jody Price / Serge Gallant

We are working on getting our line up for the convention. Workshop will be Sept 5 & 6<sup>th</sup> in Miramichi.

#### Fire Prevention —Derrick Fillmore

The board met via Teams on November 14, 2024. The executive had a Teams meeting January 13<sup>th</sup> 2025. **D**NRED is purchasing jump drives to put FireSmart materials on. We will put the Getting to Know Fire Curriculum on it along with other fire prevention materials, in particular the NFPA fire prevention materials.

Our Bursary will increase from \$250 to \$500. A letter was sent to Susan Gamble, chair of the NBCC Training Advisory Committee to formally request the development and offering of a Fire & Life Safety Educator course in New Brunswick. The By-Laws (English/French/Amendments) are being merged into one document. The committee is looking at a full review and update of the By-Laws. Amendments to them will be brought to the Annual General Meeting for approval. The NBAFPOE is no longer incorporated so we are looking into the cost and benefits of incorporating.

The Nominating Committee is seeking nominations for President and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President to be voted on at the AGM April 13, 2025. The term of office will be two years. Our Seminars will be held at the Fredericton Inn the weekend of April 11-13, 2025.

**Nominations and Resolution Committee** – Kevin Theriault Nothing to report at this time.

#### Convention and Games Committee – Lynne Gallant-Valley

2025 Convention will be in Moncton at the Delta. The QR code to book a room was already sent our and will be resent shortly. Will be having a meeting early Feb.

#### **License Plate Committee** – Lynne Gallant-Valley

As a reminder to your fire chiefs, they can reach out to me anytime to get a copy of their fire department list that is currently on file at Service New Brunswick (SNB). This will give them a starting point to updating their department lists. The list should be updated throughout the year when a member leaves, joins, or

has a change of name or address. License plates will be refused at SNB if the driver's license and list information do not match.

#### **Permanent Chief Committee** – Jody Price

Met last at the Convention in May. Will be meeting with Minister Gauvin in early February.

Volunteer Chief Committee – Tim Corbin No Report

#### New Brunswick Association Industrial Fire Chiefs (NBAIFC) – Scott Worden

Met on November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The discussion covered two primary topics: Presumptive Cancer Legislation and Upcoming Training. There are two proposed pay structures for cancer legislation fees; one suggests that only fire departments bear the costs, while the favored option includes contributions from all industries, reflecting the protective role of fire services. Additionally, plans are underway for the PLNGS Fire Service Workshop, with images from 2024 expected soon. The workshop is scheduled for the second weekend in September in Miramichi. Training opportunities include a potential external opening for the ICS 300 training at Irving and a possible 3-day Safety Officer Course through the Canadian military. There was also a discussion regarding an instructor 2 course, emphasizing the importance of a Level 2 lead instructor for live fire training, with a recommendation for a comprehensive 5-day course that focuses on critical skills such as smoke interpretation.

During a recent round table discussion, various participants shared updates regarding safety incidents and training initiatives. Marcel Robichaud from Irving Refinery reported a gas release incident from Praxair that triggered CO detectors, which was swiftly managed by local authorities. He also highlighted the effective testing of magnetic patches for water leaks and mentioned attendance at a demonstration of fluorine-free foam by National Foam, indicating the need for training to adapt to this new material. McCains Grand Falls representatives noted an electric motor failure but planned a mock ammonia spill for next spring to enhance cooperation with mutual aid partners, highlighting recruitment challenges due to the unpaid nature of positions. They recognized that communication barriers existed for new Canadians seeking to pass safety training exams. McCains Florenceville reported no incidents and announced upcoming Level 1 and Level 2 training courses, while successfully engaging the public during an open house with fire safety demonstrations. Jeremy Stuart from Belledune discussed the complexities of transitioning to biomass and the results from recent system tests.

Point Lepreau is currently in the process of restarting operations following an extended outage, with plans to connect to the grid by December 5th and reach full power by December 19th. At Jolly Farmer, training has focused on fast response drills, and no incidents have occurred. Saint John Airport experienced a private aircraft emergency in September, which was resolved without incident, with Saint John Fire providing assistance. Wildlife, particularly birds, pose a significant hazard at the airport, which is responsible for over 1,000 acres. While there were three medical responses, the team is limited in their capabilities. The management is supportive of enhancing training levels, and initiatives are underway to enroll staff in courses through local associations; however, suitable courses in Saint John remain a challenge. Additional hiring is also being pursued to strengthen the team.

#### Next Generation 9-1-1 Committee – Justin McGuigan

Regional Fire Dispatch is essentially complete, with almost all fire departments who want to participate having been already onboarded. The next big wave of impacts for Regional Fire Dispatch will take place at some point in the future when the formal regionalization or consolidation of fire departments takes place. Some fire departments and municipalities will want to have all their fire departments / fire stations on the same talkgroup, and some will not. Some will want to begin having apparatus from more than one fire department / fire station begin to be dispatched at the same time, and for that to

take place, so far the PSAPs tell me that this can only be done if the fire departments share the same talkgroup for dispatching. Each municipality and fire department's decisions on this matter will unfold at dillerent times. This will create a challenge for those municipalities who want change, because New Brunswick Radio Communications (RADCOM) will not begin making changes to fleetmaps until a broad and comprehensive set of updates is universally adopted by everyone in that region. Example – RADCOM

won't begin reprogramming radios in the Fredericton PSAP's region until they can catch all the changes that everyone in that region wants. While I am sure that this is the next big thing for RFD, I am unsure who will be the catalyst to open these conversations, or when to expect them.

NG9-1-1 is a new edition of the 9-1-1 system that has been imposed by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC). The CRTC has ordered that the new system be equipped to receive calls for help from a variety of ways, including by text, and that the 9-1-1 system track the deployment of services up until the time they arrive on scene, instead of only up to the time they were dispatched. The NB fire service will see very little by way of change.NG911 is still in the systematic design and testing phase. A variety of the stakeholder conversations have taken place. Under the watchful eye of Chief Dwayne Killingbeck (Fredericton), a few concerns were identified as issues for the New Brunswick fire service. The Province of New Brunswick has done a great job of anticipating and mitigating any concerns that were brought forward by the responder community. Soon the new system will be piloted in a test here in NB, and after refinement, the rollout will take place across New Brunswick.

The key takeaway here is that the CRTC is clamping down on the requirement that all dispatching information remain inside of Canada's borders. Data will not be permitted to be routed through servers outside of Canada.

This will impact some fire departments whose third party dispatch apps route data outside of Canada. An example of this is eDispatches. Fire departments who use eDispatches will need to find a new solution.

Feel free to reach out with any comments, questions, or concerns. Justin McGuigan, justinrmcguigan@gmail.com, 506-261-4045

#### **OFM** –Mike Lewis

Fire Investigations

Hiring process ongoing for PFI for Fredericton region.

Higher than usual investigations and fatalities

#### Fire Service Support

Cancer memo distributed for month

Reminder on PFI's being primary point of contacts

Asking for patience on ASL front with our staff absences

NBAFC Met with minister, considering support for firefighter training prop (Miramichi) and leadership

OFM will now directly handle MBU costs, as opposed to being borne by NBAFC

#### Fire Training

TSAC Met this week. Looking to work with WorksafeNB and TSAC to establish minimum training standards.

Mental health course is being translated

#### Fire Prevention and Engineering

Transition to 2020 NBC NFC April 1

- 2 plan review officers onboarding between now and April 1
- 1 Industrial FPO active, hoping for 2<sup>nd</sup> in May 2025, along with a new FPO in Fredericton area.

#### **Public Education**

Trailer schedules being developed. Modifications happening in spring (update). OFM receptive to 'purchasing' back from NBAFC to be provincially insured in future.

Hazard houses arriving February and March 2025-training to occur.

Fire extinguisher props remain available for use-contact your PFI

Smoke alarm campaign – roughly 40-50% of alarms will be distributed by February 2025. All departments will be informed of addresses in their community this month (between 10-30 for many). Alarms available from PFI's.

NB Burn foundation - Formally established late 2024

Seeking an NBAFC rep to sit on committee-seeking nomination.

One person provided support thus far.

Also seeking outreach with regional associations on how best to inform of our services.

Remi St. Coeur spoke on how the MBU season went and what will be the plan for the 2025 season. To ensure all is fair, the MBU will rotate in a pattern throughout the province. This pattern will be shifted slightly each year to make sure the MBU is not in the same association at the same time each year. Remi will try his best to accommodate special events. They must be submitted to him in advance for consideration. This will be done with consideration to the cost and ability to move the MBU. Priorities for MBU to be at are also to be established.

Cost of operating and bill procedure for the MBU was discussed. Jody Price made a motion "MBU is to be direct bill the OFM commencing after the \$39,037.75 is recovered by the NBAFC", Seconded by Harry Farrell. Motion voted upon and passed.

#### **NBCC** – Serge Gallant

The Sea cans and building are in place at the FTC for the MBU winter storage. Will be doing interviews soon for vacant position at the fire center.

We are working with departments to set up training. We have been asked for Team building and how to have difficult conversation training. Fire inspector course being revised. Will have a safety educator course. Structural FF certificates are also available.

#### **Local Government-** Ivan Corbett

Ivan said a few words at Friday evening's meet and greet. Said they have purchased several new trucks. Trying to take advantage of programs to increase buying power. Prices have gone up 20-40% in some cases. In some cases, trucks are purchased basic but all necessary items will be added as funds permit.

**Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development (DNRED)** – Tony Cole

We had 284 fires in 2024 with 292.7 ha burned. Last season had 208 fires with 854.1 ha burned and the 10 year average is 255 fires with 246.3 ha burned. Only 3 fires were caused by lightning, and the rest were human caused. 2024 was a fairly average year with moderate fire risk for the spring and early summer. Late summer and fall was lower risk with fairly regular precipitation.

NB Mobilized 157 staff to other provinces and territories including Manitoba, Northwest territories, Newfoundland and Labrador, Alberta, Parks Canada, and Saskatchewan. We also send aircraft to Alberta, Manitoba, and Newfoundland and Labrador.

**Fire Smart**- Fire smart website is almost ready. It will be located at gnb.ca/firesmart. Applications for Fire smart Prep day is open until January 31 at Firesmart Canada's website. \$500 grants to host a community event are available. More details will be released soon. The program falls under prevention so stay tuned to the New Brunswick Association of Fire Prevention Officers and Educators. Each fire department will receive a Fire Smart Kit in the spring containing brochures and some Fire smart swag.

**Training-** Mark III Pump kit rollout will begin this spring. 20 kits will be delivered to the communities that are both high risk and historically have frequent fire starts. Additional kits will continue to be delivered over the next 3 years. Local District staff will deliver each kit on a scheduled training night and review the kit, pump use and a PowerPoint presentation will be provided.

SPU (Structure Protection Unit) Program Development- 2 Trailers are being equipped currently. Training is being developed between the Fire Marshals office and the DNRED Training Coordinator.

S215 – Wildland Urban Interface course- We will continue to offer this course around the province this year. Please make efforts to have experienced members attend when the training is in your area.

#### **Aboriginal Committee – Corey Nicholas**

Will be doing recruitment in March/April. Will have type 3 program – awarness & teaching, S185 + S100 on Feb 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ASSOCIATION REPORT**

#### Southeast FF - Brad Calhoun

The Last SEFFA meeting was held on Dec.12, 2024 with 7 departments represented. A guest speaker, Dan McCoy, from 1800boardup, was in attendance to discuss services he could offer our members post-fire and rehab support for long-duration incidents.

#### Training

- -FF 1 is currently underway, hosted by Saint-Antoine to address the needs in the Kent County Area.
- -We are currently looking to schedule another FF1 for those members in Westmorland County.
- -An ICS-200 was completed within the association in January 2025
- -Block E (hazmat) practical sign-off day has been scheduled for the 26<sup>th</sup> of January to assist those departments who face challenges in getting these signoffs accomplished.
- -Anticipated courses in 2025 include: FF2, instructor 1, off-road rescue.

#### **Random Thoughts**

As an association we are still beta-testing ways to improve attendance at meetings. Having a guest speaker or supplier in, providing supper, and having access to the meeting remotely are a few things we have tried to date.

At the end of December, Captain Tim Dryden, a long-serving member of our association, and his department (Salisbury) passed suddenly. The send off was well attended by both SEFFA members and the fire service in NB as a whole. We would like to thank everyone present to see Tim off and support the members of Salisbury,

At our upcoming meeting in February a committee will be struck to assist with the creation of an obstacle course for the children during the annual NBAFC conference being held in Moncton in May.

#### **Chaleur Association – Dwayne Stephenson**

We are completing our 2 English firefighter 1 courses and have started the French pompier 1. Recently we completed an ICS200 course with NBEMO, and are looking to setup another one soon. We are looking to setup 1 possibly 2 firefighter 1 this spring, officer 1 course, auto ex course as well.

At our last meeting, we are looking at collecting for Firefighters Without Boarders. This was meet with great support, and it was also brought up that we should look at our departments to see if some of the equipment could be used by other members. This is still in the planning stage.

Backpacks for winners from fire prevention were given to Bathurst Deputy Chief to be delivered to the two winners.

We are going to have Ian McVicar or Karen Gillis come to our association to show how Fire QVRS app can be better utilized and all it has to offer. It was decided to have a special meeting with Fire Q personnel to allow time for all aspects to be covered and explained.

#### Acadian Peninsula – Mathieu Lanteigne (absent)

We have started two separate Firefighter Level One courses in the Acadian Peninsula.

#### Northwest Firefighter Association – Charlie Chiasson

Training Challenges - A significant issue for the NWFA has been delays in accessing training due to the limited availability of instructors. Despite this, the NWFA has successfully organized English Firefighter Level 1 (FF1) and Firefighter Level 2 (FF2) courses with valuable assistance from Central Valley. This collaboration has been instrumental in ensuring members receive critical training. Letter was submitted to NBAFC and OFM representatives to support our instructors that are in the process of a salary evaluation process.

Letter of support was also submitted to NBAFC and OFM representatives in support of Mr. Serge Gallant, the Fire Coordinator at New Brunswick Community College (NBCC), regarding the challenges posed by understaffing in his department. Waiting on a response from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) regarding SC-215 training. Training venue has been secured for the event.

Recruitment and Retention - Recruitment and retention of firefighters remain ongoing challenges for NWFA. The high demands of the role, coupled with competing personal and professional responsibilities, make it difficult to attract and retain personnel. Does anyone have innovative strategies that they would be able to share, including targeted recruitment campaigns, enhanced support for volunteers, and exploring incentives to improve long-term retention.

Local Services District Public Safety Committee - There are also challenges arising from the Local Services District Public Safety Committee meetings. Unclear objectives and the absence of actionable outcomes have led to questions about the committee's purpose and its role in supporting local firefighting efforts. NWFA seeks clarification from members on the intended mandate of the committee and recommendations on how to improve its efficacy.

#### **Royal District** – Charles McNeil

Royal has held one meeting in January 2025, since the last NBAFC meeting. The Royal's training has continued to do well. Some of the scheduled training is as follows:

FF1 Royal Feb 22,2025 FF2 Zone 1, Feb. 7 2025

FF2 Zone 2, Feb. 21 2025 Auto Ex., Royal April 11, 2025

Still working on Instructor course.

The ATR thanked Saint John Fire Dept. for having the Hazmat Demo come to the Royal. The ATR brought forth a couple of concerns regarding the recently released 2025 schedule for the MBU. On of the concerns was that the MBU was not scheduled to attend the Point Lepreau Workshop this spring. The MBUs attendance at the Point Lepreau Workshop benefits Royal, Fundy, and Capital Associations plus some of the First Nation Fire Depts that attend.

The second concern was the balancing of MBU time in Associations, for example Miramichi has 8 fire depts and is scheduled for 4 weeks, where larger Associations Such as South East and Royal which have over 3 times the number of Fire Depts and each of these Associations are scheduled 2 weeks. From the last time the MBU left Royal, to the next scheduled time, Royal will have finished 6 firefighter 1 courses. There is plenty of demand for the MBU training in Royal. These concerns were discussed, and a motion was made to send a letter to the OFM, regarding these concerns and the rationale behind the schedule. Royal is waiting for a reply from the OFM.

The Muscular Dystrophy Committee is working on reestablishing the Royal Truck Pull for Muscular Dystrophy for May 31. Saint John Airport Fire Dept. has recently inquired about joining the Royal Association

#### Fundy Firefighter Association - Kevin Theriault

Fundy last met in Nov 2024, in Saint Andrews with OFM Lewis, and NBAFC President Poupart, DNRE, EMO in attendance. Eastern Charlotte is still having issues with NB 911 switching over to one dispatch channel. Although Saint John dispatch and ECRFS have already done this, and it is working well. Name changes in the cross-reference table.

Level one course started Jan. 7, with 12 members. The first meeting has taken place for the Spring Workshop at Point Lepreau. Next meeting will be held March 19, 2025, at ECRFS Pennfield station.

#### Miramichi River Valley - Darren Hambrook (Absent)

3 association meetings October, November and Dec. October 2024 – NBCC Miramichi Fire Training Center

5 departments in attendance, Renous-Quarryville, Miramichi, Sunny Corner, Neguac and Rogersville Guest: John Knowles, President of the New Brunswick Firefighters Curling Association to discuss the provincial curling bonspiel being hosted in Miramichi Jan. 17, 18, 19, 2025. 2<sup>nd</sup> Guest: Reps from Makita to do a demo of their rescue tool line. 3<sup>rd</sup> Guest: OFM PI Paul Boudreau, update from OFM on Prevention Trailers, Portable Fire Extinguisher Props, Smoke Alarms purchased by OFM to be distributed to Provincial Fire Departments upon request and the Scene Security Program.

Training: Leon Ross MVFFA ATC planning on have an instructor's course and FF1 starting in Nov.

In Nov. 2024 – met at Renous – Quarryville Fire Station

5 departments present, Renous-Quarryville, Blackville, Upper Miramichi, Doaktown and Neguac Guest: Corey Shaddick was to speak on cancer coverage and how to help your members apply. Had to cancel and is re-scheduled for Feb, 2025. Chief Hallihan working on setting up MVFFA Chiefs only meeting. Discussion on ordering uniforms and what vendors to use. Discussed Hector Fournier Day (MVFFA day to honor our fallen brothers and sisters, always hosted at the cenotaph in the city of Miramichi) which was held on Oct, 13, poor turnout, , only 2 departments in attendance including host department Miramichi.

In December 2024 – Virtual - 2 departments in attendance, Renous-Quarryville and Miramichi. No official meeting conducted.

City of Miramichi Fire Department has a new Fire Chief as of Jan. 6, 2025. Chief Stephan Melanson. Originally from Saint John, moved to Miramichi from Mill-Bay British Columbia.

#### **Central Valley – Steve Armour**

We have completed the theory for the instructor's course held November / December 2024. Practical for the instructor's course will be held in February 2025.

We have two level one courses going on simultaneously, one in Hartland and one in Drummond January through May 2025. The level one has a total of 50 new firefighters and 7 that will finish up from previous courses. We have a level two course scheduled for February / March 2025.

We have the MBU arriving in June and we are in the planning stages to ensure that we get the best use of it while in our area. With the new instructors coming up through the ranks we hope to build the team and offer more in the months to come.

#### Capital District - Harry Farrell

Started two Level 1 courses. Doing couple of First Aid courses. Courses setting up for year. ICS 200 COURSE, Level 2 course, Air Brake Course, Auto Ex Course, EFF Course. Also going over Mutual Aid agreement for Association to update changes pertaining to new Communities that have been formed in Pass year.

#### **New Business**

FF Monument Memorial – Harry will speak with Dave McKinley. Also, there is room at Public Safety for us to permanently hang our Wall Of Flame.

Set Convention Fees – Delegates and Vendors

Discussion took place. It was decided that the OFM, NBCC, Red Cross and NBAFPOE could have skirted tables in the mezzanine area. Jody Price made a motion "Delegates are to be \$525 for 1 month than \$575 thereafter. Vendor booths are to be \$600" seconded by Harry Farrell, voted upon, motion passed.

Sickness & Death Policy – Donation – Lynne will gather and create a policy to bring to next meeting.

Business Membership/corporate membership – were discussed and will discuss more at next meeting

NB Burn Foundation – Scott will sit on the committee

Adjourned 1:45 pm

### Next meeting March 28 & 29, 2025 Delta Moncton

# NBAFC Convention and AGM May 23-25, 2025 Delta Moncton

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