

**Briefing Notes of Regular Meeting of  
PARKLAND AREA RETIRED TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (PARTA)  
November 5, 2019**

These briefing notes serve as the highlights from the PARTA Regular Meeting, November 5, 2019. This summary does not serve as the official minutes of the meeting. If you have questions or concerns about any of the information contained within this report, please use the contact information on our website to speak with a PARTA Executive member.

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The President called the meeting to order with 29 members and a guest speaker present. Members were welcomed to stay and visit following the meeting, regardless of whether or not they partake in the lunch.

The President read the Treaty 6 Acknowledgement Statement.

A summary of the October 1st Briefing Notes was read and approved.

The Treasurer presented the Financial Report and provided membership renewal updates.

### **New Business**

- A Motion was moved and carried to contribute \$150.00 to each of the 2019 Kinettes Christmas hampers and the Parkland Food Bank; and, that PARTA present an honorarium to the Broxton Park School Music Program in December and to today's guest speaker.

### **President's Report**

- PARTA was well represented at the ARTA AGM on October 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- The President represented PARTA at the Parkland ATA Local 10 Induction and Retirement Ceremony on October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The Merit Travel trip to the Badlands Passion Play and Rosebud Theatre is postponed indefinitely. No excursions will be planned by the executive in the near future.

### **Announcements**

- The next ARTA Board of Directors' meeting will be held November 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Check "Changes to the ARTA Retiree Benefits Plan effective Nov. 1, 2019 in the Autumn 2019 *news & views* or go online to ARTA and type in "Changes to Benefit Plan" for the article.
- HARTA Luncheon, will be held Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. at St. David's United Church and will be followed by a workshop on making Christmas cards.
- Responsibility for the Second Wind Conference has been passed to ERTA. There will be no Conference in 2020.
- Alberta Retired Teachers' Charitable Foundation anticipates allocating a total of \$70 000 in Grants to Alzheimer Society of Calgary, Parkinson Association of Alberta and Alberta CNIB.
- Check [www.teachers.ab.ca](http://www.teachers.ab.ca) for information about Provincial Education Budget Proposals.
- Check [handsoffmypension.ca](http://handsoffmypension.ca) for information on the ATRF fund and the changes proposed by the government
- A draw for a \$200 Gift Certificate from Merit Travel will be made during our Dec. meeting.
- Upcoming PARTA meeting dates:
  - December 3, 2019 – Broxton Park School Handbell Choir will begin the meeting
  - January 7, 2020 – Author, Gary Garrison: "Raising Grandkids" is our guest speaker

The meeting adjourned.

Presentation by Navy Veteran and member of the Stony Plain Royal Canadian Legion  
Lunch and visiting.