

**Briefing Notes of Regular Meeting of
PARKLAND AREA RETIRED TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (PARTA)
March 3, 2020**

These briefing notes serve as the highlights from the PARTA Regular Meeting, March 3, 2020. 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.

partacontact@canadasurfs.net

The President called the meeting to order with 27 members present.

The President read the Treaty 6 Acknowledgement Statement.

Briefing Notes from February 4 Regular Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer presented the Financial Report.

Business Arising from Minutes

- The President is preparing and submitting a grant application to ARTA to help defray the costs of PARTA presenters and speakers.
- PARTA *Policies and Procedures* and the member database will be updated to reflect categories of Active and Inactive members and Members by Interest, together with consequences of being declared an Inactive member.

President's Report

- PARTA and HARTA representatives attended the ARTA booth throughout Teachers' Convention on February 4-5, in an effort to encourage practicing teachers to become involved in retired teachers' branch activities.
- PARTA representatives attended the ARTA Board of Directors' meeting held February 25-26.
- The President will attend the ATA Local 10 meeting on March 4.

Announcements

- New meal arrangements with Super 8 are in place. Members pay the server personally for their meal and/or coffee. Coffee is included in the meal. Inform the Secretary in advance if you intend to stay for the meal.
- ARTA Members' Health Care Account – Summaries are available online and through the mail.
- Elections for positions of Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer will be held at the June AGM. Consider volunteering and/or "shadowing" to learn what is involved.
- Upcoming PARTA meetings and presentations are: April 7 – "Friendship Force", May 5 – "Aboriginal Knowledge Keepers" and June 2 - AGM and Elections.

Upcoming Opportunities and Events

- Calgary Retired Teachers' "Steppin' Out" Conference - April 30-May 1
- ARTA 2020 Annual Golf Tournament – June 11 in Ponoka
- ARTA 2020 Photo Contest - deadline for entries May 29, 2020
- Annual ARTA Wellness Challenge – more information to follow

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Presentation: "Cannabis 101" by a representative from Alberta Gaming and Liquor Control Board. Lunch and visiting followed.