

**MINUTES and Briefing Notes of Regular Meeting of
PARKLAND AREA RETIRED TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (PARTA)
February 13, 2024**

Statement of Welcome

President, Iona Robertson, welcomed members in attendance and acknowledged meeting on Treaty 6 and 8 First Nations' Land. She introduced and welcomed our guest speaker, Kayla Juba from *Hearing Life Canada*, Spruce Grove office.

Treasurer's Report

- The balance forward as of December 31, 2023 was \$2 782.75.
- A deposit of \$395.00 was made with proceeds from our January Brunch.
- The current balance is \$2 927.75. We have two outstanding cheques: The first to Second Wind Conference for our contribution of \$250.00 and the second to PK Catering for our January Brunch in the amount of \$480.43.

President's Report

- Since our PARTA meeting on January 9, 2024, we have received a letter of thanks from Cam Falman and a phone call from Maureen Maslen acknowledging PARTA's cheque for \$250.00 to the Edmonton Retired Teachers in financial and physical support of their annual Second Wind Conference for 2024. This event will be held on September 12, 2024. Information regarding registration for this worthwhile event will be available online in mid-April.
- ARTA wishes to thank all members who worked the casino this year. The amount of \$77 000 was raised. The next opportunity to participate will be 2025.
- The yearly Golf Tournament, a Charitable Foundation function, will be held at the Quarry in Edmonton.
- Watch "*news & views*" for information regarding ARTA's 12th Annual Photo Contest
- **Wellness Challenge 2024** - Members wishing to take part in the Challenge will participate in Branch-wide walks in each community. Discussion followed. The President noted that, due to the vastness of distance within our branch, PARTA will not be participating in this event. She will share more information when it becomes available.
- **Future meeting dates** reserved for our meetings throughout the year include:
 - March 12* - Discussion about the future of PARTA and what we would like to see as we move forward. The President requested that members come prepared with suggestions and willingness to participate in planning future events.
 - April 9 - Regular Meeting*
 - June 11 - Annual General Meeting*
 - May 14 - To be announced*

Presentation

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Meeting adjourned.