

NOTEBOOK

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2020-2021 RETIREES

We are pleased to acknowledge and congratulate the following teachers who retired after June 30, 2020, or plan to retire at the end of this school year.

Gary Albright (Norgate)
Louise Bradford (Upper Lynn)
Terry Brown (Carson Graham)
Stephen Bruno (Argyle)
Sally Chan (Queensbury)
Lia Cove (Handsworth)
Jullie Desmarais (Blueridge)
Elizabeth Ezer (Seycove)
Judith Galpin (Queensbury)
Ieke Giese (Upper Lynn)
Vicki Gilbert (Blueridge)
Patrick Johnson (Cove Cliff)
Mary Klausen (Braemar)
Marina Kowalchuk (Norgate)
Heidi Kruz (Carson Graham)
Frederick Lackmance (Ridgeway)
Denise LaPrairie (Westview)
Pamela Mcleod (Sherwood Park)
Susan Megahy (Upper Lynn)
Laurie Reichert (Brooksbank)
Wendy Saunders (Cove Cliff)
Elisabeth Scharnagl (Capilano)
Catherine Schechter (Lynn Valley)
Janet Scott (Montroyal)
Brian Sheffield (Argyle)
Helle Simonsen (Leave)
Susan Thompson (Lynnmour)
Gretchen Tolfo (Westview)
Laurel Whatley (Learning Services)
Mahshid Yaraghi (Handsworth)
Monique Young (Ridgeway)

If you intend to retire, and your name is not on this list, please call (604.988.3224) or email NVTA Office Manager, Beth Triggs at beth@nvta.ca

REPORT FROM THE NVTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Congratulations to the incoming 2021-2022 NVTA Executive

President:	Katrina Russell
First Vice President:	Kristen Gill
Second Vice President:	Alexa Bennett Fox
Local Representatives:	Alexa Bennett Fox Owen Howell Daniel Storms
Alternate Local Rep:	Tammy Daley
Secretary:	Heidi Postl
Treasurer:	Andrew Shobridge
Member at Large:	Angelee Bulsara Jessica Duckles Dave Murton
Member at Large (<i>continuing</i>):	Martin Stuible Roy Hunt
Bargaining Chair:	Position Vacant
Professional Development:	Tammy Daley
Social Justice:	Alexa Bennett Fox

Acting President, Katrina Russell, acknowledged long-time NVTA Executive member, Carolyn Pena, who left her position as NVTA President on May 1 to accept a job at the BCTF. Carolyn held several different roles on the NVTA Executive over a number of years, including terms as President, First VP, Second VP, Member at Large, and Pro D Chair. Carolyn's contributions to the North Vancouver union office will be long-lasting, as she was an integral part of the team who spearheaded the purchase of the NVTA's office space on West First Street. The NVTA Table Officers also thanked outgoing Past President, Robin Deleurme, for his many years of dedicated service to the union, and Member at Large, Tara Alexis, who leaves her position after more than four years working on behalf of her colleagues. The NVTA also thanks outgoing Second Vice President, Charlene Wilson, for her many contributions in the office this year. *Thank you, all.*

Report from the NVTA AGM (continued on page 2)

The following Finance motions were passed:

1. That Auditor's Report for 2019-2020 be accepted.
2. That the NVTAGM appoint Clearline Chartered Professional Accountants as Auditor for the upcoming year 2020-2021.

A number of motions were also passed regarding updates to the NVTAGM Constitution.

Retiring this year? Have you ...

1. Contacted the Teachers' Pension Plan by letter/phone/fax/email or website <http://tpp.pensionsbc.ca> and requested that a retirement package be sent to you?
2. If applicable, contacted the Teachers' Pension Plan and applied
 - a. or purchased service arising from a leave of absence within the past five (5) years.
 - b. for a child-rearing drop out credit; or applied
 - c. to transfer service from another pension plan?
3. Contacted the school district to find out when your current health benefits end to ensure you have continuous coverage until the benefits associated with the Teachers' Pension Plan begin?
4. Prepared your resignation letter to be sent to the Board 30 days prior to your retirement?
5. Considered converting your current group life insurance to an individual life insurance policy?
6. Contacted the Teacher Regulation Branch as to certification requirements for the 2021-2022 school year should you wish to remain eligible to work in the BC public school system following retirement?
7. Considered joining the BC Retired Teachers' Association and/or the North Shore Retired Teachers' Association?
8. Contacted the BCTF Income Security staff if you have questions related to any of the above?

PERSONALIZED PURCHASE COST ESTIMATOR ON THE TEACHERS' PENSION PLAN WEBSITE

Your personalized pension information is available at My Account at the Teachers' Pension Plan website (<http://tpp.pensionsbc.ca>). This tool leverages your own personalized pension information and personally selected retirement date to show the impact of purchase of service or addition of child rearing credit on your lifetime pension and bridge benefit. The results are provided in a printable format using the same default options (SGL10 and JL) that appear on the Members' Benefit Statement.

SPRING POSTING ROUNDS

Round One: April 28 – May 5
 Round Two: May 20 – May 27
 Round Three: June 2 – June 9
 Round Four: June 18 – June 25

Postings will continue through the summer, as needed.

LEAVES DEADLINES 2021

- **MAY 14** – Part-time/Increase to FTE requests (Article C.24) p.79
- **MAY 14** – Job Share Requests (Article C.24) p.79
For teachers in full time and part-time assignments, including those currently in Job Shares.
- **MAY 31** – Committed Transfer Requests (Article E.23.1.h. and E.23.2.d) p. 103-104
For teacher resignation/retirement planned for 2020-2021, 30 days' notice for resignations, and as much notice as possible for retirements in order to aid in staffing.