

# NOTEBOOK

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## RETIREMENT TEA 2023

The NVTA Retirement Tea will be held at  
the Seymour Golf & Country Club on  
Monday, June 12, 2023, 3:30- 6:30 pm.

***Congratulations to the Class of 2023!***

Tom Adams (Handsworth)  
Carmen Baillargeon (Leave)  
Afsana Baumann (Learning Services)  
Angela Brown (Leave)  
Mary Anne Cerina (Highlands)  
Todd Clark (Queen Mary)  
Heather Duncan (Queensbury)  
Tracey England (Argyle)  
Denise Esterer (Ross Road)  
Justine Frazee (TTOC)  
Geoffrey Hollyer (Leave)  
Rae Ann Johnston (Montroyal)  
Karen Koroluk (Learning Services)  
Jennifer Korsch (Cleveland)  
Christine Mahon (Cove Cliff)  
Nancy Marion (Cove Cliff)  
Susan McMullin (Dorothy Lynas)  
Josee Menard (Leave)  
Jane Mendham (Carisbrooke)  
Brenda Miller (Larson)  
Warren Nipp (Larson)  
Reagan Patterson (Highlands)  
Gail Perry (Leave)  
Kenneth Pickthal (Handsworth)  
Bill Piggott (Upper Lynn)  
Kevin Pye (Sutherland)  
Lisa Reid (Dorothy Lynas)  
Titina Reyes (Ridgeway)  
Frances Roberts (Argyle)  
Margaret Ronsano (Seycove)  
Rival Roussel (Braemar)  
Maureen Schmid (Carisbrooke)  
Stacey Schwegler (Handsworth)  
Barbara Scobie (Braemar)  
Vicki Shanks (Handsworth)  
Julia Stanton (Leave)  
Heidi Waterman (Capilano)  
Herb Weber (Carson Graham)  
Lorrie Welch (Seycove)  
Anne Zayonc (Ross Road)

## Report from the NVTA AGM

Thank you to everyone who came out to the NVTA Annual General Meeting on May 10 and voted in our 2023-2024 Executive Committee. We would also like to thank *Pacific Coast Catering* for providing such a delicious dinner which members enjoyed after the business meeting.

### **Congratulations to the incoming 2023-2024 NVTA Executive and Standing Committee Chair**

#### EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

President:	Katrina Russell
First Vice President:	Dave Murton
Second Vice President:	Robin Deleurme
Local Representatives:	Tammy Daley Robin Deleurme Owen Howell
Alternate Local Rep:	Mary Aiello
Secretary:	Tammy Daley
Treasurer:	Andrew Shobridge
Members at Large:	Stephanie Anderson Colin Young Edie Chang (second of two years) Jenny Kwong (second of two years) Amanda Zayonc (second of two years)
Bargaining Chair:	Amy Wright
Professional Development:	Angelee Bulsara
Social Justice Co-Chairs:	Alexa Bennett Fox and Edie Chang

#### STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIR POSITION

Nominating & Balloting: Owen Howell

**Congratulations to Boundary for having the highest percentage of staff at the AGM, therefore winning the pizza lunch. Owen Howell from Carson Graham won the door prize.**

### Accessibility Committee Call Out

The North Vancouver School District is looking for two (2) NVTA members to join the **Accessibility Advisory Committee**. Persons with disabilities, or individuals who represent disability-serving organizations aligned with the Accessible BC Act are encouraged to join. If you are interested and would like more information, please call the NVTA Office (604.988.3224).

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# IMPORTANT DATES

## TEACHING CERTIFICATION FEE

**Deadline Approaching! – May 31, 2023**

Teachers on unpaid leaves such as parental leaves, unpaid medical leaves, childcare leaves, or personal leaves of absence must pay their teaching certification fee by May 31, 2023 or incur a late fee. If the fees go unpaid past November 1, teachers risk losing their teaching certification and will have to reapply to the teacher qualification service. Information about paying the fee can be found here:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/teach/maintain/annual-practice-fee>

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**THE DEADLINE FOR  
2022-2023 PRO D  
REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS IS  
THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023**

### Spring Posting Rounds

Round Two – May 19 – May 26

Round Three – June 2 – June 9

Round Four – June 16 – June 23

### BCTF Pension Seminars

Wednesday, May 24 – Injury, disability, and shortened life expectancy

The live seminars take place via Zoom on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm using the link below:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87344950598?pwd=YWVqNkVvN25mRDBJTTA4aUJSZ1h3QT09>

If members are not able to attend the live seminars, they may watch the pre-recorded webinars available on the BCTF website at the following link:

<https://www.bctf.ca/topics/services-information/pensions-and-retirement>

### *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 2023-2024 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.