

**Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Advisory Council**

# Activity Report

**2016-17**



# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

As chair of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Advisory Council, I am pleased to present the 2016-17 Activity Report. The Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Advisory Council is established under the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Act, and its membership is appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

This plan covers the activity of the Advisory Council from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017. My signature is on behalf of the Advisory Council and is indicative of our accountability for actual results reported herein.



Ann Marie Hann

# Departmental Overview

The Order of Newfoundland and Labrador is the highest honour of the province. The object of the Order is to recognize individuals who have demonstrated excellence and achievement in any field of endeavor, benefiting in an outstanding manner, Newfoundland and Labrador and its residents. The first investiture took place in 2004.

Any Canadian citizen who is a current or former long-term resident of Newfoundland and Labrador is eligible for nomination to the Order. The only exceptions are public officials, such as judges, members of the Senate, House of Commons, House of Assembly or Legislative Assembly of a province, and members of municipal, town, regional councils or local service district committees, Posthumous nominations are not accepted. Organizations, groups, or couples may not be nominated; the Order is for individuals only.

An individual who is not a Canadian citizen or current or former long-term resident of the province, but who has demonstrated excellence in their field of endeavor, and who has benefited the Province and its residents in an outstanding manner, may be nominated as an honorary member.

The Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Advisory Council is appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, each for a term of 3 years, as per section 12 of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Act. The Council is to be composed of the Clerk of the Executive Council who is a member by virtue of his or her office; 2 individuals who are members of the Order; and not more than 4 individuals appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Current membership is comprised of:

- The Clerk of the Executive Council (by virtue of his/her office)
- Ms. Katherine Baikie-Pottle
- Ms. Virginia M. Halley
- Captain Sidney Hynes, ONL, MM, FNI, LLD
- Ms. Colleen Kennedy, ONL
- Mr. James G. Lynch, CD
- The Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council is appointed as Secretary to the Advisory Council.

The Advisory Council meets at least once per year, pursuant to section 13 of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Act, or more frequently as required.

## MANDATE

The Advisory Council received its mandate from section 10 of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Act. Specifically, it is mandated to consider nominations received, and shall recommend to the Chancellor, the names of not more than 8 individuals in each year, who in the opinion of the Council are worthy of receiving the Order. Pursuant to section 8(2) of the Act, the Council may also recommend an honorary member to the Chancellor for induction into the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador.

# Report on Performance

The Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Advisory Council has a very specific mandate to accept and consider nominations of persons eligible for the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador, and make recommendations to the Chancellor of the Order, the Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador. As such, the Advisory Council has not developed goals. The Advisory Council is reporting on progress toward achievement of the objective detailed below.

## OBJECTIVE

By March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador Advisory Council will have made recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador (as Chancellor) regarding the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador.

## INDICATORS

Meetings held as required; consideration of nominations; and recommendations made to the Lieutenant Governor:

- On September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the Advisory Council Members met to discuss nominations and to make recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor for selected nominees to be inducted into the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador.
- On December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016, an investiture ceremony was held at Government House in St. John's, where eight Newfoundlanders and Labradorians and one honorary member was inducted into the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador.

# Report on Performance

- Order of Newfoundland and Labrador – 2016 Inductees:
  - Noel Browne – St. John’s
  - Thomas J. Foran – St. John’s
  - William D. Mahoney – St. John’s
  - Melba Rabinowitz, Portugal Cove – St. Philip’s
  - Philip Riteman – Nova Scotia
  - Cheryl Stagg – Port Au Port East
  - Kellie Walsh – St. John’s
  - Clyde K. Wells – St. John’s
  - Vincent Withers – St. John’s
- In January, 2017, nominations were called for the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador for the upcoming year.

# Expenses Incurred

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9 Individuals

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|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Travel Expenses              | \$6,335.87                       |
| Framing                      | \$670.00                         |
| Music                        | \$ 1,000.00                      |
| A/V                          | \$495.00                         |
| Purchase of Insignia         | \$14,016.00                      |
| Purchase of Miniature Medals | \$ 3,384.00                      |
| Lapel Pins                   | No cost this year as had on hand |
|                              | \$25,900.87                      |