



Motion 12.5 – Motion to approve the Honorary Member recognition to Janet von Weiler

By-Law III Retired or Honorary Members

2. Honorary Members
 - 2.1 Honorary Membership may be granted to a person in recognition of distinguished service or valuable contribution to the Dietetic Profession. **Approval of Honorary Membership is by resolution of the Board and Members at an Annual Meeting.**
 - 2.2 Fees for Honorary Members shall be waived.
 - 2.3 Members of the Association at the time of Incorporation (1958) are Charter Members. Upon retirement, Charter Members shall become Honorary Members.
3. Retired or Honorary members may attend meetings of the Association and are entitled to vote; can be committee members but not an officer or director of N.B.A.D; will receive notice of meetings, and copies of publication issued by the Association.
4. Upon being granted Honorary or Retired Membership, a member must apply to the Association to return to Active Member (see Regulation I Admission Standards – Active Members). Active Membership is required to work as a dietitian.



The New Brunswick Association of Dietitians (NBAD) received a nomination to consider Mrs. Janet von Weiler as an Honorary Member on March 25, 2021.

The NBAD Board of Directors carefully reviewed the submission and portfolio on May 3, 2021. Mrs. von Weiler has been an Active Member of the New Brunswick Association of Dietitians for 39 years and is now a Retired Member since April 1, 2021. The Board of Directors concludes that Mrs. von Weiler demonstrated leadership in the community as a volunteer dietitian at the Diabetes Summer Camps for 20 years (1999-2019) and continues as a member of their Board of Directors. Mrs. von Weiler also contributed 14 years (1995-2009) of volunteer Registrar services to NBAD as well as other volunteering with NBAD such as the editor of the *Diascope*. Her contribution for NBAD is most valued as she supported the Association until we transitioned to having a part-time salaried Registrar. Mrs. von Weiler continues to contribute to our Association as a member of the Registration Committee for the past four years.

The Board of Directors motions to accept Janet von Weiler, Member #211, as an Honorary Member of the New Brunswick Association of Dietitians. *See nomination letter below on the following page.*



Nomination Letter

Dear Members of the Committee,

Janet graduated with a Nutrition degree from Ryerson in 1981 and followed this with her dietetic internship. She came to Saint John in 1982 to get some work experience as a dietitian and had a plan to return to Ontario. She quickly found her niche with Pediatrics. Janet's thoughtful personality and kind soul made her the perfect fit for this position. She quickly developed a passion for the area of diabetes and she became one of our early Certified Diabetes Educators. She enjoyed working with the Diabetes summer camps. This visual does seem to match with Janet's long commitment to her career and life long learning.

As a life long learner, Janet has many accomplishments which included obtaining her Masters in Adult Education in 1995. This aligned well with Janet's expanded role as the Internship Zone Coordinator. Janet also served as the Registrar for NBAD in a volunteer capacity for many years. Janet quietly and humbly worked to mentor countless dietetic interns and helped to support other dietitians starting their careers with NBAD.

Janet worked as a Registered Dietitian with our hospital system for roughly 37 years...Janet was not quite at the end when she retired. She stepped back into a casual role to ensure a seamless transfer of services. Her commitment and dedication to her role and profession is difficult to put in words. Janet is the team member who you call when you are in a crisis or when you need guidance. She is calm and collected and is very good at calming the waters. It is Janet's nature to provide support, guidance and mentorship. An Honorary Membership to NBAD would seem fitting given the tremendous amount Janet has contributed to our profession.