

THE QUEBEC PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATIONOF RETIRED SCHOOL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION PROVINCIALE DU PERSONNEL D'ENSEIGNEMENT RETRAITÉ DU QUÉBEC

MEMBER REPORT 2025

The year of 2024 – 25 was a busy one at QPARSE. We spent a considerable amount of time on our own SWOT evaluation following the example of the ACER-CART evaluation.

We have identified some strategies to reach out more actively to our active teacher association (Quebec Provincial Association of Teachers) to ask for their help in reaching out to potential new members. Our constitution allows teachers within 5 years of retirement to join our association. We needed help from QPAT to get this information out to potential retirees. We have had several interesting discussions with QPAT and with several local unions, members of QPAT and are encouraged by the response from the leadership of these groups. We will be distributing flyers advertising our association and we will be participating in pension workshops done online by QPAT.

With these initiatives, we hope to recruit more members.

Our present membership is:

Total 1270 Active 973 Deaths 198 Inactive or missing 99

We will also be considering our fee structure for possible adjustments to be made.

QPARSE has continued to offer a full program of social events and informational sessions both in person and online. The attendance at these events is good and the opportunity to participate online has been greatly appreciated by our members who live far from Montreal where most of the events take place.

The Newsletter produced 3 times every year continues to be informative, interesting and very much appreciated by our membership.

At our recent Annual General meeting, we recognized and awarded 2 individuals, one with a Distinguished Service Award and one with an Honourary Life Membership Award. Erene Anthony was awarded our Distinguished Service Award recognizing her outstanding contributions to QPARSE as well as to the Black community of Montreal. Stephen Pigeon was awarded our Honourary Life Membership Award. Stephen is the now retired Director General of the Eastern Shores School Board.

Our AGM elected the following slate of officers for 2025 -26. We recognized Katherine Snow for her time and involvement as the President of QPARSE as she steps down from that position.

Nominations Report 2025-26

President Lynn Travers – ACER - CART

Past president Katherine Snow – ACER - CART

Vice PresidentJan Langelier – ACER-CART - Program

Secretary Kate LeMaistre
Treasurer Marisa DeAngelis
Membership/Media Terrie Kozaczynski
Program Claudia Thierry

Super Seniors Paula Turner - Newsletter

Newsletter Marzia Michielli

Members at Large Patrick Clark – Newsletter

Renate Sutherland – Newsletter - Program

Ruth Rosenfield – Strategic plan Richard Bastien – Newsletter

Carol Klein

New members Kate Gardner

Maureen Rose

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Delegate to ACER-CART Board of Directors