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The New Brunswick Community College Foundation held its Fall meeting in the Capital City today.

Out-going Chairman Michel Thériault of New Maryland was recognized for his tenure as the first full-term chairman of the Foundation, from 2006-2011. "It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve on the Board with my fellow Trustees", said Thériault. "I believe we have established a solid footing, thanks in no small part to our volunteers all around the Province, and to our very generous donors, through which students of all three public colleges will be provided financial assistance each year, on a permanent basis."



From left to right: John S. Harvie; Liane Roy; Jim Jordan, Chairman; Guy Laviolette; Mélanie Gallagher; and Marilyn Luscombe.

New Chairman Jim Jordan, of Darlings Island near Saint John echoed Thériault's comments: "Our main objective is to come to the aid of students in financial difficulty in the college system, and to alleviate this burden so that they can continue with their studies and go on to achieve successful careers in our Province. In its first few years of

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existence, the Foundation has put out over half a million dollars in bursaries to nearly 600 students, and in the coming academic year, we hope to put out a quarter million dollars more to nearly 300 students", said Jordan.

The Foundation also welcomed two new members to the Board of Trustees. Marilyn Luscombe is the new President and CEO of NBCC, while Liane Roy holds the same office for CCNB.

"I have been impressed with the success of the Foundation, especially given its relative newness", said Luscombe. "I am also impressed with the support which it has received from the private sector, and from private donors. I believe this is a sign of the value placed on our colleges by the general public, and I look forward to contributing to its ongoing growth and development."

"I completely agree with Marilyn's comments", said Roy. "The Foundation has only been in place for a few years, and yet it has managed to help so many people. A person can't help but to want to be a part of this, and to help build upon the successes."

The NBCC Foundation is a non-profit, charitable organization, looking after scholarships and bursaries for students in the three public colleges in New Brunswick. For more information, go to: <u>foundation.nbcc.nb.ca</u>