



**Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association**

**Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting  
12 September 2022 via ZOOM at 1630 MST**

<b>Present:</b>	
Ted Giraldeau	Director / President
Terry Loveridge	Director / Vice President / Heritage
Jake Flanders	Director / VP West
Greg Ferguson	Director / VP East
Jim Croll	Director / Treasurer / Casino Chair
Terri Orser	Director / Secretary
James Stanton	Director / Communications
Fred Horsman	Director / Veterans and Family Support Member
Gord Keener	Director / Cadets
Don Dalziel	Governance Chair
Herb Kenny	Membership Chair
Paul Hale	Past President
<b>Regrets:</b>	
Tim Penney	Director / HGMF Education Bursary Vice-Chair

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>OPI/Action</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Call to Order:</b> The meeting was called to order at 1630 (MST) hours, with a declared quorum.  A moment of silence was observed.	<b>President</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Opening Remarks:</b> Ted stated that the main goal of the meeting was to refresh the Board's work after a slow summer.	<b>President</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Approval of the Agenda:</b> It was moved by Jake Flanders and seconded by Jim Croll to approve today's agenda. <i>Carried.</i>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Approval of Minutes from 8 June 2022:</b> It was moved by Jim Stanton and seconded by Fred Horsman to approve the Minutes from 8 June 2022. <i>Carried.</i>	

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5.	<b>Old Business:</b> (Items that were started in June 2022)	
	<p><b>5.1 – Financial Management – Resolution 06-22 to 09-22: (see attached resolutions)</b></p> <p>It was moved by Jim Croll and seconded by Fred Horsman to approve resolution 06-22. <i>Carried.</i> (FY)</p> <p>It was moved by Greg Ferguson and seconded by Terry Loveridge to approve resolution 08-22. <i>Carried.</i> (Signing authorities)</p> <p>It was moved by Jim Croll and seconded Gord Keener by to approve resolution 09-22. <i>Carried.</i> (renumeration)</p> <p>Note: Resolution 07-22 is on hold until the Branch of the Bank of Montreal is identified.</p>	<b>President / Governance</b>
	<p><b>5.2 - AGM Subsidy Increase Consideration:</b> (Note: it is a subsidy that National pays to the AGM host Branch to assist them with covering some of the costs associated with the AGM).</p> <p>\$1,000 was budgeted, however the costs to host have gone up significantly to rent the facility and the down payment in Niagara Falls next year. Due to the loss of revenue at hotels over the last few years, especially at a tourist destination such as Niagara Falls, they are looking to recoup their costs.</p> <p>The SW Ontario Branch was given a loan of \$10,000 to cover costs, with the understanding they pay it back if they can.</p> <p>Jim recommended not raising the subsidy right now, wait until 2023 and revisit. Everyone agreed.</p>	<b>President</b>
	<p><b>5.3 – Demographics Survey Update:</b></p> <p>The package went to communications for discussion and to deliberate a way to promulgate on the website. There are three sets of questions, one for the Association, one for those members who were part of the Assn but are not anymore and those who want to be part of the Assn and are not. Once promulgated, feedback should start coming in.</p> <p>The survey will be posted on the PPCLI Facebook page, mailed out to the Branches to send out through their e-mail list, hopefully get it on the Dirty Patricia site, Queen’s Own Assn, mechanics and armoured Assn and as many Assns to get a broader insight into the demographics. Paul suggested getting it out to RHQ Regimental Senate as well.</p> <p>The study will go for 30 days and then the Survey Monkey program will organize the information onto a spreadsheet.</p> <p>They want to start the beginning of October so we can make some decisions on membership for next year.</p>	<b>Vice President</b>

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	<p><b>5.4 – Website Development / Launch Update:</b></p> <p>The website has not been officially launched yet. Jake said that one of the two things to go live is to take pay pal off and the other is the objective/aim statement of what the Assn does. Don pointed out that we have a statement of purpose and that needs to be followed. Ted said they will be.</p> <p>There was discussion about online membership payment. That can be decided upon at a later date. The website can go live without it for now. Jake suggested that we put the objective at the top of the home page on the website. Gord spoke about e-transfer and said it works well. The only ones who would use it would be e-mbrs. The Branches are responsible for collecting their own membership fees. Ted said that once the web site is launched, we need to take the other two outdated websites down.</p>	<p><b>Director Communications</b></p>
	<p><b>5.5 – VPP Coord Position:</b></p> <p>Ted said that unfortunately Jay resigned, he was the VPP coordinator. Ted will take the VPP lead for now, Jake said he would also like to assist. Need to get all the Branch VPP Coordinators on the same page and up to date in case the need arises.</p>	<p><b>President</b></p>
	<p><b>5.6 – Transformation Team Update:</b></p> <p>The team has not met over the summer. Harold Leduc from the Foundation has resigned as their representative of the transformation team. No one has taken his spot yet.</p> <p>The HGMF and the Foundation have come together and signed an MOU to hire a tax accountant who will assist with the writing of the charitable objectives and moving it through the CRA. The first meeting is coming up towards the end of Sep. It should take about a year to once it gets through the CRA’s approval process.</p>	<p><b>President</b></p>
<p><b>6.</b></p>	<p><b>New Business:</b></p>	

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	<p><b>6.1 – Relationship with UK-Based “Friends of the Assn.”</b></p> <p>Don has a briefing note on this relationship, but it has not been approved by the CoR yet. Don went on to explain that there used to be an unofficial UK branch of the Assn. They met and took dues, but they were never registered, and they died out since 2014. There are, however, members that we want to maintain contact with, for example, the family of Princess Patricia, the family of Lady P, the family of Col. Farquhar. etc. One way to go about their membership is to make is Honorary, but it was decided 2013-2014 that we would not have Honorary members of the Assn. Don went on to explain why. Another option, depending on their status, would be that some would be eligible to be members, and some would be eligible supporting members, but he is not sure that would work either. In discussion with the CoR, we could make them an Honorary member of a Branch and although that is not the status, we want to give them it will get it done. So, his advice is to bring them in as Honorary members as it will get them back into the Assn and revitalize the contact with them. Friends of the Assn might work as well. The membership status can be established and formalized later. The idea is for the CoR to send out a letter to each of the families, individuals that we want to maintain contact with.</p>	<p><b>President / Governance</b></p>
	<p><b>6.2 – Regimental Leadership / RHQ Manning Update:</b></p> <p>The CoR is still BGen (retired) Kennedy. The paperwork for BGen (retired) Romses is still circulating. There is still no date of when he will take over as the CoR. The RM is back now from his career course, and they have a new adjutant and RWO.</p>	<p><b>President</b></p>

<p>7.</p>	<p><b>Open Forum:</b></p> <p>Ted mentioned that with the death of the Queen, the CoR will send a letter of condolence on behalf of the Regiment (that includes all PPCLI components).</p> <p>Paul said that the HGMF has been running a needs analysis for identifying gaps for Veteran families and Veterans. Jay's resignation dropped the Assn member of that group. The areas they are considering are support for homeless Veterans and families, transition assistance, service dogs, alternative types of therapy (everything from equine, youth camps and Vet Build), assistance with specialized sports equipment (soldier on has limited their amount they give out), mental health counselling not covered by VAC, seriously impaired Veterans (ie: paraplegic, quadriplegic) who get missed. It has been forwarded to the transformation team. Paul mentioned that he feels the criteria needs to be changed for educational bursaries, the lower rank individuals should be considered above the higher-ranking individuals.</p> <p>Paul is planning on paying his own way to the Kapyong Commemorative Trail dedication in April next year.</p> <p>Terry said they are still looking for something from Korea to present at the ceremony next year. One idea he had was a copy of a 2 PPCLI diary for the period but that may become too expensive for the archives to send out for production.</p> <p>Greg mentioned the death of one of his Korea Veterans. The Korea Assn took the lead, like an op plan for when someone dies, it was suggested to him that our Assn think of something similar when one of our own PPCLI members. Right now, the Branches do their own thing. Normally the families will take the lead and let us know what they want, if indeed they want us involved at all.</p> <p>Greg mentioned the 74 events in two years in Cyprus for the Airborne Anniversary and whether or not any Veteran who was in Cyprus can participate or just Airborne Veterans who were in Cyprus. Paul clarified it was open to all Veterans who were in Cyprus. Their main event will be on 11 Nov when they do their Remembrance Day service in Cyprus.</p> <p>Gord said there is no need to change the MOU with the Cadets for this year. Terri O asked if anything is sent out to the Cadet corps by Gord if he can let the supporting Branch Presidents know as well.</p> <p>Don informed the BoDs that RHQ used to lower the Battalion Flag and National Flag in honour of the person that passed away. It is probably not a good idea at this time to try to reinstitute it because they are so busy. He also said that the Canadian Guards Assn has</p>	
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	<p>produced a very good protocol on burials, and he will see if he still has a copy and if he does, he will pass it to Ted to have a look and see if it should be distributed.</p> <p>Fred went to Op Pegasus Jump in July, third roto. He saw former PPCLI soldiers there in fear and at the end of the three days it was like they were brand new people again. He wants to get more PPCLI members involved.</p>	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Date of Next Meetings:</b>	<b>President</b>
	<p><b>8.1 – Board of Directors:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9 November 2022</li> <li>• 11 January 2023</li> <li>• 8 March 2023</li> </ul>	<b>President</b>
	<p><b>8.2 – Council of Presidents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 30 Nov 2022</li> <li>• 29 Mar 2023</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>8.2 - AGM:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12-14 May 2023 – Southern Ontario (Niagara Falls)</li> <li>• Aug 2024 – Edmonton (110 Anniversary)</li> </ul>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Adjournment:</b> The President thanked the Board for their participation. There being no further business or objections, the meeting was adjourned at 1754 hours MST on a motion by.</p>	

Prepared by:

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