



Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association

**Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting
9 March 2022 via ZOOM at 1630 MST**

Present:	
Ted Giraldeau	Director / President
Terry Loveridge	Director / Acting Vice President / Heritage
Jim Croll	Director / Treasurer / Casino Chair
Terri Orser	Director / Secretary
Jake Flanders	Director / VP West / Communications
Jay Bickerton	Director / Veterans and Families / VPP
Don Dalziel	Governance Chair
Herb Kenny	Membership Chair
Paul Hale	Past President
Regrets:	
Tim Penney	Director / HGMF Education Bursary Vice Chair
Dave McArdle	Director / VP East

Item	Discussion	OPI/Action
1.	<p>Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1635 (MST) hours, with a declared quorum.</p> <p>A moment of silence was observed.</p>	President

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2.	<p>Opening Remarks: Ted said this meeting is primarily to go back through the assigned projects from the Jan meeting and get updates from the Chairs and Directors who are working on them to see what stage they are at.</p> <p>Also, he wants to get a report from Paul's nomination committee chair to talk about the nominees for the new slate of Directors for the upcoming AGM.</p> <p>As well there are a couple of other topics Ted wants to discuss, one being a potential corporate deal with Rogers for cell phones and whether or not there is a potential role for the Assn to go out and solicit corporate deals from other companies to offer to our membership.</p> <p>The other is the response to the Ukrainian crisis and what our response as an Assn should be, in particular on Facebook.</p>	President
3.	<p>Approval of the Agenda: It was moved by Jay Bickerton and seconded by Jake Flanders to approve today's agenda with the addition of the Month of May in para 8.3 for 2023 AGM. <i>Carried.</i></p>	
4.	<p>Approval of Minutes from 19 January 2022: It was moved by Jake Flanders and seconded by Jay Bickerton to approve the Minutes from 19 January 2022. <i>Carried.</i></p>	
5.	<p>Old Business:</p>	
	<p>5.1 – Bravery in Arms (BIA) D-Day Dodgers (Robert Chabot) Proposal:</p> <p>Terry Loveridge said that the project is at a stand-still as no one from the Regimental Museum or the Regt has gotten back to him. He explained several reasons why there has been no contact however he is waiting for the manager of the museum to get back to him with at least an idea whether he as the manager feels that there is a fit with the museum.</p> <p>So far Vince Kennedy is the only one he can think of who has come back with ideas.</p> <p>Paul Hale said that he approached Robert Chabot and asked about what he was filming and a breakdown, but he has not come back yet with an answer. Paul wanted to see if he could tie it to the Battlefield Tour.</p> <p>Ted is going to leave it to Terry to talk to the COR when things settle down.</p>	Vice-President

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	<p>5.2 – Banking Arrangements/Budget Changes:</p> <p>Jim said that it is still in the progress as he is still trying to contact the Scotia Bank. He thinks it is time to move to the Bank of Montreal under the defense umbrella and set up a corporate account where we can still get a credit card for incidentals.</p> <p>Don said that in order to change banks it will require a resolution from the BoD. Also, who will be authorized to deal with the bank etc. Jim and Don will put together a resolution for the next meeting BoDs meeting on 20 April 2022.</p>	<p>Treasurer Governance Chair</p>

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	<p>5.3 – Web Site Development:</p> <p>Jake said that our current webpage is out of date, has many applications that are difficult to manage and the webmaster is virtually unreachable.</p> <p>Ted and Jake researched numerous websites and after the BoD input it was decided to go with the RCR style website.</p> <p>Jake went to two different website companies for estimates, the first was Majaid Web Solutions, Southern Alberta-based. It is currently used by the HGMF.</p> <p>The second company was the Digital Media Company which is an Edmonton-based company and used by RHQ.</p> <p>He has received contact back from Majaid but not the other one. Majaid one is run by an ex-Military person who understands and appreciates what we are doing.</p> <p>Some of the development of the website will include a repository of shared documents for the BoD and will function as the main conduit for Assn memberships. It will streamline distribution for our Newsletters and has the potential, if we went that direction, to collect online donations. Training for the website will be done using Zoom. The total cost is \$2,091.88 for the first year. Every year after that will be \$491.88.</p> <p>Also included will be the removal of any old PPCLI Assn websites.</p> <p>It was moved by Jake Flanders and seconded by Jim Croll to approve going with Majaid Web Solutions. <i>Carried.</i></p> <p>Jim said that we should stay away from PayPal because of all the negative issues we had with it in the past.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding how the membership dues would work or not work if it were on the website. It should be noted the quote is only good until end March 2022.</p> <p>Terri O asked about backup for the website in case it is hacked or goes down. Jake will find out. Paul said with the HGMF website by Majaid Web Solutions there is a backup. Also discussed were links to other websites, i.e., HGMF website so if someone wants to donate to the HGMF or find out information they can link to them through our website.</p>	<p>Director Communications</p>

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	<p>5.5 – 75th Anniversary Coin / Fundraiser:</p> <p>Greg Ferguson gave a breakdown of how much the coin costs to produce and send out based on ordering 300 coins.</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="354 388 974 493"> <tr> <td>Coin - \$7.00 each</td> <td>\$2,100</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Postage - \$3.00 each</td> <td>\$900.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;">\$3,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$10.00</td> <td>\$3,000.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>The profit would be: \$15.00 per coin.</p> <p>The fundraiser will help alleviate casino funds we do not have.</p> <p>As the Assn cannot issue tax receipts, Ted will talk to Greg about reducing the cost so tax receipts can be issued.</p> <p>Ted will also talk to Greg about the newer version of the crest on the coin.</p> <p>Secretarial Note: On 29 Mar 22, the BoD approved the proposal to present every paid-up member of the Association with a free coin. See Minutes from CoP meeting 30 Mar 22 for more details.</p>	Coin - \$7.00 each	\$2,100	Postage - \$3.00 each	\$900.00		\$3,000.00	\$10.00	\$3,000.00	<p>President</p>
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	<p>5.6 – Spring Newsletter:</p> <p>To date, Jake has received two submissions from the HGFMF. Submissions have to be into Jake by 25 March 2022. The publication will be ready for 13 Apr 2022, so it is out by the AGM. He will send out a reminder to the Branch Presidents. Paul will get the article in for the four nominations for the AGM and Herb will get the Last Post in as well.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding the special resolution (SR), and it will not be put into the newsletter in its entirety.</p>	<p>Director Communications</p>								
	<p>5.7 – Compassionate Listening Workshop:</p> <p>The first workshop for Western Canada is 13 March 22 from 0900 – 1630 Alberta time. There are eight Patricias and six from other assns.</p> <p>For Eastern Canada, the workshop will be held on 10 Apr 22 with 12 Patricias and six others.</p> <p>Depending on the feedback, the BoD may want to consider approaching the HGFMF for a third workshop in the Fall.</p>	<p>Past President</p>								

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6.	New Business	
	6.1 - Directors/Chairs Reports:	
	<p>Finance: see attached slide The total disbursements out of the Casino will be \$40,960. If the art project does not go through, the budgeted money can be to cover the cost of the website. Jim has more money to go into the account, including the coin fundraiser, but will not show until April 22. HGMF will get \$5,000 again this year.</p>	Treasurer
	Governance: Points were covered under Old Business, Item 5.4	Governance Chair
	<p>Membership: (see attached slide). Dues should be in by end March each year. There are 1,374 members on the database but only 387 have paid as of today. Ted will send out an e-mail prior to the 30 March 22 CoP meeting prompting the Presidents to get their Branch memberships paid and up to date.</p>	Membership Chair
	<p>Cadets: Only one request for HGMF funding from one of the Winnipeg-based cadet Corps for \$2,000. Only one request for cap badges and badges from the Calgary-based Corps. One of the Corps has asked that we consider funding a creation of a PPCLI coin to use as a challenge coin or an award for the top cadet in each corps to use instead of trophies. They wanted to use the Regimental coin but was turned down by RHQ. Paul said the HGMF has put in a proposal to CRA requesting permission to conduct a fundraising activity to raise \$72,000, specifically to subsidize cadets going on the battlefield tour. The estimate is approx. \$4,500 per person plus two chaperons.</p>	Cadets Director
	<p>Heritage: Terry said that the draft of Vol Six of the Regt History has passed through the editorial board and is back with the author. With any luck it should be published by 2023.</p>	

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	<p>VPP / Veteran and Family Support: Jay said that a couple of people have been referred through social media. One person passed away and Greg Ferguson did a great job in Ontario. Jim said one of the Calgary members is going through some issues right now and the person assisting him is trying to get him into a new place going up in Calgary called Silvara and has gotten him in contact with VAC. Jim asked if there are any VPP courses coming up as his Branch VPP Coord wants to take it. Paul said 13 Mar 22 is the Compassionate Listening Workshop. Also, Jay said that he is trying to get the Mental Health First Aid course running late Spring / early Summer. Paul said that VAC no longer providing the Mental Health First Aid course for free. Put the request through the HGMF and Paul is certain they will fund the instructor. He said to put the request through to Donna Campbell, the Chair of the VAC Committee or Sherry Lachene in Kingston for the one-day virtual course.</p>	<p>VPP Chair</p>
	<p>Education Bursaries: Nil report.</p>	

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	<p>Nomination Committee:</p> <p>A lot of people were canvassed and there are four recommendations for the BoD:</p> <p>Greg Ferguson – SW Ontario mbr for VP East. Dave McArdle is stepping down in 2023.</p> <p>Fred Horseman – e-mbr from Victoria – was with the PPCLI for a short time but has done a lot of work and has background in mental health and addictions, would be an excellent asset to the VPP.</p> <p>Gord Keener – e-mbr from Williams Lake. He is Indigenous and is heavily involved in treaty negotiations Prince George. He was also President at the Legion there. Would be good to finally get some more diversity on the BoDs.</p> <p>Jim Stanton – Fraser Valley mbr but lives in NB right now, maintains two residences. He has a strong background and will bring a lot of talent to the BoDs.</p> <p>Paul said he is willing to stand as President of the Assn for two years at the 2023 AGM.</p> <p>Jake Flanders has indicated he is willing to stand for two years as Vice President.</p> <p>It is important to have a succession plan.</p> <p>Paul said he is trying to strongly recommend to the Regiment that 90% are us who have retired and are released and 10% still serving.</p> <p>Paul will continue to fight in that regard from the sidelines. Mike Minor did reply to Paul and expressed his disappointment that a lot of the current senior membership, when they retire, do not get involved in the Assn. Mike Minor is planning to join the Ottawa Branch.</p>	<p>Nominations Chair</p>

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7.	<p>Open Forum:</p> <p>It was confirmed that the AGM will not be in person this year but will take place virtually.</p> <p>Paul was approached by Roger’s communication to give us a discount on various phone plans, the question is do we solicit discounts etc. from other corporations as a service we provide to our membership. After discussion it was decided not to get involved as there are many other programs for Veterans such as the CF One card and the Legion membership programs.</p> <p>Ted will contact Rogers to tell them we are not interested as a small assn.</p> <p>How we express or should we be expressing public support for Ukraine? After discussion it was decided not to put any statements out from our Assn.</p>	<p>President</p> <p>President</p>
8.	<p>Date of Next Meetings:</p>	<p>President</p>
	<p>8.1 – Board of Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 April 2022 – pre-AGM for any resolutions etc. • 8 June 2022 – post AGM – welcome new mbrs, assign roles • 14 September 2022 • 9 November 2022 	<p>President</p>
	<p>8.2 – Council of Presidents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 March 2022 • 30 Nov 2022 	
	<p>8.2 - AGM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28 May 2022 (timings tba) • 12-14 May 2023 – Southern Ontario • 9-11 Aug 2024 – Edmonton (110 Anniversary) 	
9.	<p>Adjournment: The President thanked the Board for their participation. There being no further business or objections, the meeting was adjourned at 1858 hours MST.</p>	

Prepared by:

Terri Orser
National Secretary
30 March 2022

Approved by:

Ted Giraldeau
National President
13 Apr 2022