



Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association

Minutes of the Council of Presidents Meeting 24 March 2021, by Zoom at 1630 MST

Present:	
Mr. Paul Hale	Director / President / Fund-raising
Mr. Dougal Salmon	Director / VP / Cadets / President Victoria Branch
Mr Ted Giraldeau	Director / VP West
Mr. Stephen Bartlett	Director / VP East
Ms. Terri Orser	Director / Secretary
Mr. Jay Lapeyre	Director / Heritage
Mr Glen Ryan	President Atlantic Branch
Mr. Marv Makulowich	President Kingston Branch
Mrs. Jennifer Pouliot	Governance / Ottawa Branch
Mr Greg Ferguson	President SW Ontario Branch
Mr. Perry Batchelor	President Manitoba / NW Ontario Branch
Mr. Raymond Moskowec	President Saskatchewan Branch
Mr. Darcy Parker	Saskatchewan Branch
Mr. Herb Kenny	Membership / President Edmonton Branch
Mr. Dan Palmer	President Cypress Hills Branch
Mr. Julien McNulty	President Fraser Valley and Vancouver Branch
Mr. Dave Pentney	VPP Facilitator / Finance Chair
Lt Nathaniel Browne	Regt Adjt
Absent / Regrets	
Mr. Michael Austdal	Past President / President Wainwright Branch
Mr. Jim Croll	Director / Treasurer / Casino Chairman / President Calgary
Mr. Pete Leger	Director / VPP/ Veterans and Family Support
Mr Tim Penney	Director / Educational Bursaries
Mr. Jed Kasimierz	President Mid-Island Branch
Mr. Don Dalziel	Governance Chair/ President Ottawa Branch
•	Branch Presidents annotated in bold

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1.	Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1632 hours MST with a quorum.	President
2.	Opening Remarks: Paul welcomed everyone to the teleconference. The aim is to bring up to date on recent activities within the Association and to update the CoPs on the upcoming AGM and transformation planning process.	President
3.	Approval of the Agenda: It was moved by Greg Ferguson and seconded by Glen Ryan to approve the agenda. <i>Carried</i>	President
4.	Approval of Minutes from 27 January 2021: It was moved by Dougal Salmon and seconded by Marv Makulowich to approve the Minutes from 27 January 2021. <i>Carried</i>	President
5.	Old Business	
	5.1 - 107th Regimental Anniversary Bike Ride and Fundraiser: (see attached slides) 8 Aug 2021 – includes the serving component, cadets and all the Assn Branches. (do not necessarily have to bike). It will be our signature fundraising event for the year. The bicycle top on the sleeve is in red and has the dates 1914 - 2021 on it. Paul wants to get t-shirts made as well with basically the same logos etc. Basic price of the bike uniform is \$110.00 if one person buys it and will go down as more purchase it.	President
6.	New Business	
	6.1 - AGM Agenda and Dial in procedures: (As per attached slides). Paul will ensure he gets the reports for the AGM onto the website. Each resolution will be a stand alone vote. There will be six resolutions to vote on. The first three resolutions will be in the newsletter. Dougal would like to see the AGM locations alternate between the East and West. For example, Southern Ontario would be on the plate for 2023. Greg Ferguson will take it to his membership at their AGM to get their approval.	President
	6.2 - Financial Update: (see attached slides). Paul said that there is no change from the last CoPs meeting in January. There was some discussion regarding why the auditors were taking so long (with both 2019 and 2020 - COVID) and why there were so many line items for membership.	Jim Croll

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	<p>6.3 - Transformation Process Update: (see attached slides). Paul recommended and would like to see that there be more representation from the NCM side. As Paul stated there will need to be a lot of trust and a lot of work, the aim being to create a single charitable organization that is cost effective and efficient to raise funds for the Regiment and Veterans. Paul and Dave Pentney both feel it will most likely take about two years; Dave hopes by the end of 2023. As it stands now it costs \$3,000 for each audit (of which now we need three audits) so there is the potential to save \$6,000 a year.</p>	
	<p>6.4 - Educational Bursaries Update: (see attached slide). CWO Art Chase's bursary is set at \$2,000 and the Ottawa Branch is locked in at \$1,000. Herb informed Paul that their Branch had donated \$2,000 with \$1,000 going to the Museum and \$1,000 for an Education Bursary in the name of a Kapyong Veteran John Gallanty??? Sp who just recently passed away.</p>	Tim Penney
	<p>6.5 - Cadet update: (see attached slides).</p>	Dougal Salmon
	<p>6.6 - Heritage Update: (see attached slide). Jay talked about contacting RHQ regarding the writing up of the next volume of the regimental history. Not sure if Bob Stewart is still involved and Paul said the person who took over is Ray Crabbe. More to follow.</p>	Jay Laypere
	<p>6.7 – Governance Update: (see attached slide). Jennifer gave an overview and Paul mentioned that he has been tasked by the Regt Steering Committee to draft a Code of Ethics.</p>	Jennifer Pouliot
	<p>6.8 – Volunteer Patricia Program Update: (see attached slide). Paul gave an overview of the upcoming Virtual Mental Health First Aid Course from 12-14 April 2021.</p>	Don Dalziel
7	Branch Reports	
	<p>Atlantic: Glen Ryan said that they have 42 paid up members and that one member will be transferring to the SW Ontario Branch in April.</p>	Glen Ryan
	<p>Ottawa: Jennifer Pouliot informed the CoPs that they have 25 paid up members. They are working on getting their financials in order and are finalizing the close out from the previous Treasurer. The Secretary/Treasurer has stepped down and Jennifer has taken over that spot. They are supporting Greg with the bike ride. Paul mentioned the stained-glass window at St Bartholomew's Church by Rideau Hall that was put in by the Duke of Connaught at the end of WWI. The subject window needs repair and the Church has requested 10% of the cost from the Regiment. The Ottawa Branch is doing their own fundraiser for the project and hope to raise \$20,000.</p>	Jennifer Pouliot

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	<p>Kingston: Marv Makulowich stated that they have 23 paid up members whereas they normally have 34-35 normally. They did have a virtual AGM in February where eleven members attended. They also had two other virtual events. One was a toast to the Memory of Gen Hewson where 16 attended and the other was Regimental Day where 20 members including 4-5 serving members attended.</p>	<p>Marv Makulowich</p>
	<p>SW Ontario: Greg Ferguson said they are doing a coin fundraiser again this year. He said approx. 75% to 80% of the coins are sold and paid for. He has about 80 coins left for sale. Send the funds directly to Greg. They have 65 paid up members for 2021 (two which are brand new members) and are getting one transfer in from the Atlantic Branch and one transfer out to the Kingston Branch. Paul put up the slide of John Jack Monroe and his dog Bobbie Burns on a cemetery stone (see attached slide) and Greg explained why it was important to get his full name on it with “Bobbie Burns”. They do not have a final cost yet but when they do, they will do a special fundraiser to help pay for the marker which is in Acton, Ont.</p> <p>VPP update – at a Regt day event someone mentioned that he saw what appeared to be a homeless Veteran wearing a PPCLI t-shirt, so Jim went out and bought him and coffee and something to eat. He was not a Patricia, but they continue reaching out to Veterans. They have tentatively scheduled their AGM on 24 Apr.</p>	<p>Greg Ferguson</p>
	<p>Manitoba and NW Ontario: Perry Batchelor reported that they have 71 paid up members. They put an article into the Spring Newsletter about the Kapyong Monument that their Branch has been working hard on for quite a while. They have received letters of support in principle and are waiting for one more from Gen Dawe. The Branch got one of the 70th Anniversary of Kapyong Dirty Patria t-shirts and presented it to their only Korean survivor Mike Zootka???. They have a well-done historical piece on him and pictures of him wearing the t-shirt, but he did not want the pictures out in the public. He was extremely touched and moved to tears by the gesture of the Branch. On Regimental Day they held a virtual get together.</p>	<p>Perry Batchelor</p>
	<p>Saskatchewan: Ray Moskowec said they have eleven paid up members. They continue to fundraise under the Value Village fun drive that they signed up for in 2017. It does not make much money, but it has caught on by the public and they are more aware of it and therefore donate more. The Branch has two dates in which they deliver a trailer load full of the donated items such as books and end tables and things of that nature, 7 Apr and 10 Oct. They have raised \$2,500 altogether. They did not have very many for Regimental day because they usually celebrate with the Brigade Sniper’s Course which has changed the date they train due to Covid. Attended the funeral of WWII veteran from the Italian campaign. Re: Reinstate Saskatchewan Branch - Paul explained that the Branch should have been reinstated some time ago. The Branch has since been reinstated. They did have a virtual AGM.</p>	<p>Ray Moskowec</p>

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	Wainwright: No report.	
	Edmonton: Herb Kenny reported that they did not and could not do anything for Regimental Day. He has been e-mailing members but there are about 12 members that do not have computers, so he has been calling them. Herb and his wife are off shortly to present a Kapyong Veteran a Certificate that RHQ sent to Herb. It is his 90 th birthday today and he will also be presented a Dirty Patricia t-shirt which the veteran knows nothing about. Paul is starting to do the certificates for the living Kapyong Veterans. E-Members – Herb is getting updates from Jim Croll of who has payed their membership – approx. 30-40% have. The Edmonton Branch has 90% of their members paid up.	Herb Kenny
	Calgary: No report.	Jim Croll
	Cypress Hills: Dan Palmer said that they have nine paid up members.	Dan Palmer
	Fraser Valley and Vancouver: Julien McNulty reported that they had a virtual AGM and one of the members Bill Sutherland and it turns out he has Hamilton Gault's swagger stick and has more Regimental memorabilia. He got to meet up with Tom Holland's wife who is moving to the island but now Julien has boxes of stuff from the Vancouver Branch. He will go through it and see who members of that Branch were and try to build the Branch back up. They have 50 paid up members, two new members and three outstanding for payments as of their last meeting. Paul asked Julien that whatever he does not know what to do with from the Vancouver Branch should go to the Regimental Museum. Ray suggested that there is also a mini PPCLI Museum in Dundurn where memorabilia can be sent to. .	Julien McNulty
	Mid Vancouver Island: No report. .	Jed Kasimierz
	Victoria: Dougal Salmon informed the CoPs that they have postponed the AGM due to COVID. They did not do anything for Regimental Day. Usually, they have 50 to 60 people come out for that. The Airborne Mannequin is in the entrance of the Legion.	Dougal Salmon

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8.	<p>Open Forum: Paul mentioned that he is hoping to get the Spring Newsletter out by Friday. It will not have a lot of the reports due to the length, but they will be posted on the website, however the special resolutions will be in the newsletter.</p> <p>Paul said there is a lot of work behind the scenes regarding the Kapyong 70th Anniversary. The first is a Kapyong Memorial walk 7-16 April. He asked the Mid-Island Branch to have someone in Tofino to kick off the walk and asked Julien to have someone in Langley, BC when it concludes on the 16th. The walk will conclude at the Kapyong Stones.</p> <p>Interesting fact that the District of Kapyong have been sending stones around the world and there are two in Canada, one in Langley and one in Winnipeg. These are not included in the Memorial Manual.</p> <p>They will be putting one of those stones at the Korea Memorial Wall in Brampton on 27 Jul and we will need representation for that.</p> <p>Paul has reached out to the Col of the Regt about presenting a certificate to all the living Kapyong Veterans, 17 so far. If anyone knows of a Kapyong Veteran in their area and they have not advised Paul yet, please send him their name. They will also receive one of Greg Ferguson's 70th Kapyong Anniversary (you said stones but I think you meant coins???).</p> <p>Darcy asked that if someone wants something on the website to please send it in Word instead of PDF as it gives him more flexibility to size the document.</p> <p>Greg Ferguson has reestablished comms with Meaford so that Patricia's who graduate from their TQ1 will be presented their cap badge by a member of the Ontario Branch.</p>	
9.	Dates of next meetings:	President
	<p>9.1 Council of Presidents</p> <p>24 Nov 21</p>	
	<p>9.2 AGM</p> <p>1 May 21 – Virtual (1200 hours Ontario time) 20-21 May 22 – Saskatoon 28-30 April or 16-18 Jun 23 - Ontario 8-11 Aug 24 - Edmonton</p>	
9.	<p>Adjournment: The President thanked Branch Presidents for their participation. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1745 MST hours on a motion by I have no idea??.</p>	

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	Prepared by: Terri Orser April 2021	Approved by: Paul Hale National President April 2021	