

1000-1 (Secretary)

10 Dec 2019

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COUNCIL MEETING HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE 1900 HRS 10 Dec 19

In Attendance:

P	LCol (Ret'd) SP Deschamps	P	Lt(N) L Juliusson	A	2Lt S Smith
P	Capt C. Shewchuk	PP	Capt J. Motak	PP	Maj T. Toms
A	Capt S. Daniels	A	Capt B. McRoberts	PP	LCol (Ret'd) D. Slowski
P	LT(N) B. Broom	PP	Maj M Dahl		
PP	Capt K. Weale	A	Capt F. Milne		
P	Capt J. Hollis	PP	Capt O. Nobakht		

Present = P, Present by Proxy = PP, Excused = E, Absent = A

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

- 1. Meeting called to order by LCol (Ret'd) Deschamps at 2005 hrs via Internet Messenger
- 2. LCol (Ret'd) Deschamps declared a quorum of council with 5 members participating in the teleconference and 6 by proxy.
- 3. Motion to accept minutes from previous meeting by Capt Shewchuk, seconded by Capt Hollis. 10 IN FAVOUR, 0 OPPOSED, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 4. LCol (Ret'd) Deschamps called for additions to agenda, three items were proposed.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Treasurer Report: Approx. \$13,000 cash is on hand after approved expenses. The Association is in excellent financial standing. LCol (Ret'd) Deschamps commended Capt James Hollis for another excellent quarter where through his industriousness, he raised over \$2000 net in kit shop sales in the past few months as proceeds for the Association.

NEW BUSINESS

- 6. Scholarship/Endowment Fund: LCol (Ret'd) Deschamps reported that discussions are ongoing with the RCSU and higher authority about the disposition of NPF from the defunct CIC Lighthouse mess. An agreement in principal has been reached by the RCSU and the Association to turn over these funds to the Association pending higher authority approval. The Association will wait for final notification and approvals and MOU signature before making any communications or plans with regard to the funds. LT(N) Broom reported that discussion were underway to dispose of remaining RCIS kit shop assets. The Association is in negotiation to buy CIC cap badges for re-sale through our kit shop, RCAOps is involved for some items, the remaining to be sold through Canex and profits distributed equitably to CIC organization involved in the process.
- 7. Scholarship Fund Tariffs An idea was discussed to add a \$5 tariff to all activities sponsored by the Association. The tariff would be used to supplement and sustain the expected funds to be received from the RCSU Lighthouse Mess NPF proceeds and the expected donation from the estate of LCol Terry Kopan. Council was in general favour of moving in that direction but it was agreed to continue discussion and let the new Council decide after March 2020 AGM.
- 8. Eliminating Association Membership Fees: LCol (Ret'd) Deschamps spoke to a proposal to eliminate all membership fees for the Association. He noted that current membership fees have been irregular in that some members have been provided discounts at various Association events. The Association has no automated systems to tracking and collecting membership fees. An in depth study by Capt Hollis and 2Lt Smith on this issue has not resulted in any viable business case to automate our system. In discussion, it was noted by many on Council that while the Association existence is widely accepted as beneficial to CIC in BC, Council has been unable, over many years, to articulate a good argument to members for paying dues. Membership dues have represented only small amount of the Association revenues. LCol (Ret'd) Deschamps spoke to the need for the Association to represent everyone in the province if we are to continue to hold trust and respect in managing a scholarship/endowment fund. Discussion ensued about continuing with membership fees, transitioning them to being optional. Discussion were held around adding more events to give more people reasons to appreciate what their membership fees are contributing towards. No firm decision were made and discussion should continue.

- 9. March 14th 2020 Dinner. Capt Shewchuk gave an update on current plans. Maj Kathi Kopan has volunteered to chair an Association dinner sub-committee, Capt Shewchuk has booked the Burnaby hotel venue and all is on track for the 22nd annual CIC Dinner hosted by the Association at the Delta Burnaby Hotel. A conversation ensued about refunds and cancelations fees. Some felt we should offer refunds or partial refunds, some did not. A suggestion was made to add to our communications something to the effect of: "our normal policy is that we do not offer refunds however if under extraordinary circumstances please contact us" added to the dinner registration form.
- 10. CIC Training Socials. LT(N) Broom reported that all CIC training is now out of WorkPoint at CFB Esquimalt. Lt(N) Broom's suggestion is for the BOTC and OTC meet and greets to be hosted by the Association which are scheduled for 8 Feb 2020 (BOTC) and 7 March (OTC) in order for the Association to provide visibility and early recognition to new members of the Branch. Venue is the Gunroom, costs will vary depending on if there is catering, not, etc. Vision is for the Association to host all the meet and greets into the future during CIC Training courses. A discussion ensued in support of participating in the meet and greets. Capt Shewchuk motioned: To support the Feb 8 BOTC meet and greet with up to \$150 . Seconded by LT(N) Broom. CARRIED unanimously. Capt Shewchuk volunteered to lead logistics. 7 March proposal to be discussed at next meeting of Council.

CLOSING REMARKS

11. Elections – LCol(Ret'd) noted he was on his second year and would not be standing for election, but will remain on Council as Past President. He urged all to continue their important rolls and stand for re-election and to consider the President role. He thanked everyone for their professionalism and courtesy in conducting our business tonight and called for adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT

11. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2036hrs by Capt Shewchuk, seconded by Lt(N) Broom. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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SP Deschamps C Shewchuk LCol (Ret'd) Capt

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