



MINUTES - DATE: 29 September 2012

TIME: 8:00 AM

LOCATION: COAST HOTEL, KAMLOOPS BC

Attendance: 29 (out of 36 Voting members) voting BCPC member in attendance
40 SSC (out of 57 SSC) voting in attendance for a total of 69 Voting Members out of 92 Voting Members.

1. Opening the 71st Annual General Meeting **Mr. Ron Rique**
March on of Flags by 204 Black Maria Squadron
Singing of O Canada
Moment of Silence

1.1 Declaration of Quorum:

1.1.1 Ron Rique, President called upon Ilona Turra, CAO to declare the Quorum

1.1.2 Ilona Turra, CAO declared that BC Air Cadet League AGM has a quorum.

1.2 Welcome & Opening Remarks by Ron Rique, President

1.2.1 Introduction of Head table

Commander Stan Bates, RCSU Commander

Ken Higgins, National President

Norm Lovitt, Vice President/Aerospace Coordinator

Jack Henwood, Secretary/Treasurer

Tom Holland, Director/Governor

Ilona Turra , CAO

1.2.2 Self introduction of Members and guests in attendance, the microphone was sent around the room and everyone was asked to introduce themselves.

In attendance were the following Squadron Sponsoring Committee Members:

777 Neptune SSC/SQN
204 Black Maria SSC/SQN
768 Quesnel SSC/SQN
Keith Kepke – Kootenay Wing Chair
Peter Kane – Guest from RCL MR
552 Key City Cranbrook SSC/SQN
Major Shawn Ferguson ACICO
279 Sparwood SSC/SQN
754 Phoenix SSC/SQN
692 BCIT Aerospace SSC/SQN
386 Komox SSC/SQN
Albert Walsh – Deputy Wing Chair VI
787 MacKenzie SSC/SQN
396 City of Prince George
746 Lightning Hawk SSC/SQN
637 S. Burnaby(Arrow) SSC/SQN
899 Vanderhoof SSC/SQN
Scott Johnston – NO Wing CHAIR
888 Avenger SSC/SQN
135 Bell Irving SSC/SQN
147 Air Wolf SSC/SQN
Major Tim Alquire – ACICO
Major Tim McGee – ACICO
525 Pathfinder SSC/SQN
902 Summerland SSC/SQN
Major Dave Kerr – ACICO - Okanagan
861 Silverfox SSC/SQN
89 Pacific SSC/SQN
858 Skookumchuck SSC/SQN
Paul Kusnir – League Rep
Henri Rekers – League Rep
Paddi Paddison – League Rep
893 Beaufort SSC/SQN
222 Shuswap SSC/SQN
Doug Slowski – League Rep
Maureen Woolliams – Guest
259 Panther SSC/SQN
103 Thunderbird SSC/SQN
744 Cowichan SSC/SQN
Jocelyne Crevels – League Rep
Michael Kung – League Rep
Sheila Kung – WING CHAIR

Nancy Chapman – League Rep
Christine Welch – WING CHAIR
759 N Burnaby SSC/SQN
243 OGOPOGO SSC
561 Osprey SSC
Richard Taylor- League Rep
848 Royal Roads SSC/SQN
111 Pegasus SSC/SQN
223 Red Lion SSC/SQN
907 White Rock SSC/SQN
232 Big Horn SSC/SQN
767 Dearman SSC/SQN
Penny Doern – Director
Larry Calvert – League Rep
655 Richmond SSC/SQN
266 Kimberley SQN
Len Jenks – Life Member
Mike Symons – Director
676 Kitty Hawk SSC/SQN
Major Carrie Johnston – ACICO
Stan Harry - Life Member
Walter Tyrrell BCPC member
Stan Horton – Life member
Chris Tuck BCPC Aviation Committee
LCol Tony Appels- RGS Commander
Gail Rique – Admin Assistant BCPC
Terri Slater – Provincial ES Coordinator
Gail Elgert – WING Chair
Bob Burchinshaw – Governor/BCPC
Joan Irvine – BCPC member
Don Doern – Governor

1.3 Approval of Minutes of meeting Annual General Meeting Minutes for October 2, 2011.

Ron Rique called for a motion to accept the 70th Annual General Meeting Minutes as presented.

MOTION Motioned by Al Walsh, League Member/Vancouver Island. All in Favour- all/ opposed
–none/ Passed

1.4 BCPC Elections – PRESENTED BY THOMAS HOLLAND

Nominating Committee:

Notice of Election – Directors- Five positions to be elected. Two Year Term 2012 to 2014

The Nominating Committee has Identified - Five members to be elected and a two year term as a BCPC Director

Agreeing to nomination for re-election: 2 year Term 2012 to 2014

1. Thomas Holland – Currently serves as a National Governor, BCPC past President and BCPC Director.
2. Michael Symons- Currently serves as Vancouver Island Wing Chair and BCPC Director.

Agreeing to nomination as BCPC Director: 2 year Term 2012 to 2014

1. Christine Welch – Currently League Rep and Metro Vancouver Wing Chair.
2. Gail Elgert - Currently League Rep and BCPC Review Board Co-ordinator.
3. Terri Slater - Currently League Rep and BCPC Effective Speaking Co-ordinator.

Directors with One year remaining in term: 2011 to 2013

1. Ron Rique
2. Geoffrey Johnson
3. Keith Kepke
4. Penny Doern
5. Jack Henwood

Policy and Procedure: At the first meeting of the Board of Directors after the AGM:

The Board shall confirm a Director to the position of President.

CALL for NOMINATIONS:

Tom Holland called for nominations from the floor 3 times:

No new nominations from the floor were received, Tom Holland declared that the nomination put forward are now DECLARED ELECTED.

The Board of Directors are:

Ron Rique

Geoffrey Johnston

Keith Kepke

Penny Doern

Jack Henwood

Tom Holland

Christine Welch

Gail Elgert

Terri Slater

Mike Symons

2. ADDRESS: Mr. Ken Higgins – National Air Cadet League President

2.1 Identified 5 Key issues that National has been working on the following Issues at the National level. Mr. Higgins gave an overview on each topic listed and the progress being made at National.

2.1.1 *Ministerial Directives that will replace QR&O Cadets*

2.1.2 *Not for Profit – Federal regulations*

2.1.3 *Screening and Registration*

2.1.4 *Squadron's not operating at required minimum strength*

2.1.5 *National office – Sarah Matresky is on Maternity leave*

Candace Dennison is taking on the Executive Director during Sarah's leave.

3. ADDRESS: Commander Stan Bates

3.1 Addressed the meeting, welcomed his staff, etc. Commander Bates noted that this is a great opportunity to meet everyone.

Commander Bates gave an overview of his background and how and why he is in the Position at RCSU(Pacific).

He commented that the Air Cadet League in BC and nationally is a great League, well organized, he speaks with Ron Rique regularly and he believes that this is a true partnership.

3.2 Regional Activities –

Would like to see Regional activities not only among the squadrons but across all 3 elements of the Cadet Program.

3.3 **Strategic Review**

Reviewed the budget cuts and changes that are coming down with reference to the Annuitant policies.

3.4 **Strategic communications:**

Attraction of Cadets. His staff is putting together a video to use as a promotional tool. Promoting in our communities, looking at doing more work in the local communities.

3.5 **Promotional Items will be limited, there are challenges getting promotional items such as brochures, etc... This is being addressed**

3.6 **Cadet Population growth initiative. Growing across the country but in BC it is especially good.**

Questions 3.8

3.8.1 **Scott Hammond - What is the minimum required strength of a sqn**

Answer: minimum requirement is 30

3.8.2 **Shelley Geier – 222 Shuswap SSC**

Can promotional items be printed locally?

Answer: yes, Disks are available to assist with this and can be provided to the SSC.

3.8.3 Capt Chris Sewchuk 89 Sqn

Update on Websites that were shut down and hosted by DND.

Answer: it is done; these DND websites will not be brought back due To official language and visually impaired requirements.

Any specifics required regarding LOGOS – Yes, these documents can be made available to the Squadrons.

Is there anyone specific that we can reach out to regarding guidance on websites, new web manager LT(Navy)Shawn Stewart, at RCSU.

3.8.4 Georgina Camilleri – 89 Pacific SSC

Question regarding designing own squadron tags for tagging.

Answer: Tom addressed this and advised that they are authorized

3.8.5 Esther Levy, SSC Chair – 525 SSC

Is concerned about the closing of squadrons and how to assist in retaining cadets in these squadrons. SSC Chair's voice her concern and challenge with the fact that this SQN has not flown in 3 years. **Answer:** Commander said that they don't want to close squadrons and will work together to assist squadron in increasing their numbers. There is always work to do and assistance to help these squadrons.

4. ADDRESS: LCol Tony Appels

Annual update of Regional Gliding School Operations and program

SEE attached report

4.5 Questions & Answer Period

4.5.1 Bob Burchinshaw – Governor/BCPC Member

RE: History Project – he has just received the history and the glider history for the L19- would like to confirm that you are aware that we have a spot reserved in the ALBUM for you.

4.5.2 Capt Callaghan – 768 Mackenzie SQN

With the challenges that are faced up north with internet connections, Is there something that can be done to assist those that want to participate in the online school? Answer: LCol Appels offered to speak to Capt Callaghan after to address this concern and to offer assistance with the Internet Challenge.

4.5.3 Capt Sharon Goddard, 858 Sqn Skookumchuk

If RGS ran any statistics on Power/glider pilots on Online Ground school vs taught ground school or if they had a combination of both?

No, the numbers are just too small, we are basing our continued involvement in this more so on the level of interest and the need in some communities where there is nothing else to provide. It would be imprudent to try to speculate if there is a valid statistical connection.

4.5.3 Capt Trevor Welsh, 103 SQN N Van

Familiarization flying in North Vancouver.

Approval stats... is it possible to get approvals done in a more timely manner?

Answer, good question, complex situation, LCol Appels will speak to Capt Trevor Welsh after to provide contact information and try to assist in rectifying this.

4.5.4 Rhiannon Dalhousie- 561 Osprey SSC

Age Restrictions for ONLINE ground school;

Question: is 'age' a factor, Answer... not as long as they behave responsibly and in a mature manner according to the training requirements. It is encouraged to have younger cadets participate in the ONLINE Ground School program.

4.5.5 Richard Hellyer – 259 SQN

The summer camp courses, the popular Basic Aviation &Advanced Aviation are there any plans to up the numbers for this course? There were only 84 spots; if so is Comox able to handle more spots.

Answer: 2 good questions and two complex answers. Yes we understand That's where the demand is and the interest lies. Major Deck and I have already been discussing the possibility of adjusting our training quota to accommodate and put more billets where the interest really lies. We will have some challenges with increasing the numbers in Comox, limited classroom space and limited room. We will try to overcome these issues, might not be this year up coming and could be next year.

4.5.6 Capt Andy Smith, 525 CO

We haven't flown for 3 year; the weather has been a significant part of that. My question is

Answer:

The end state for that fleet is '6' fully equipped Cessna 182. The distribution of that Air craft fleet would be 1 for North/1 for Kootenay/1 for Okanagan/ 1 for Van Island and 2 for lower mainland

So we have 'end state' some significant additional capacity

LCol Appels will speak to 525 regarding the lack of flying for 3 years.

Coffee Break

5. ADDRESS: CHRIS TUCK, BCPC AVIATION COORDINATOR

5.1 Overview of the Tow Plane replacement program as per **attached report**.

5.2 Call for Questions - No Questions were presented.

6. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – JACK HENWOOD- SEC/TREASURER

- 6.1 Reviewed the Schedule's as presented in the Annual Report and Operating statements.
Jack gave an overview of the AGM expenditures/ Business centre expenditures/ dedicated accounts/ etc.
Clearly explained why he sets up these accounts.
Reviewed Schedule 3A (Tow Fleet replacement program)
- 6.2 Review of Budget as presented.
Assessment fee for next year
- 6.2.1 Jack has put the gaming grant into the budget this year because of the past year's success in receiving gaming grants.
 - 6.2.2 HST Rebates -we get rebate costs
When HST converts back to GST it will impact our
 - 6.2.3 Cadet enrolment from fortress – if recruiting and retention drop it will impact the revenue source.
 - 6.2.4 Sale of L19 as required, one of the key factors is the bank support
Not happy with the current offer from our bank and the type of support that they have offered. WE have another bank that is being considered
Directors will review March /April 2013 the program will be reviewed and then the assessment fee will be reviewed.

Question and Answers:

- 1) Norm Scott -848 SSC
Schedule 4 Line items 24/25 requested a review and explanation of the line items.
With the travel of the League members in Rural Areas, shifted into line item 25.
- 2)Line 38 increase in assessment for 182 Cessna,
Answer: the insurance is paid by DND, they are only prepared to pay the insurance for the L-19, and we pay the extra premium to the value of the new airplane.

MOTION

- 6.3 Jack Henwood motioned for approval of the Budget as presented,
So moved by Paddi Paddison, League member.
Call for Vote: All in favour....Non opposed, Passed

7) Closing remarks by Mr. Ron Rique

Ron thanked Jack for all that he does for us. The newly elected Directors of the BCPC were asked to stand Christine Welch, Terri Slate, Gail Elgert... were introduced.

7.1 Final Announcements by Ilona Turra, CAO

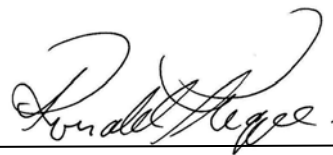
- 1) All SSC's and Officer's are requested to attend the afternoon training sessions.
- 2) Request for name tags to be brought to the Dinner to be exchanged for tickets for door prizes.
- 3) Thanks to Norm Lovitt for acquiring by donation two CAE Flight Simulators.

Ron Rique declared the meeting closed and adjourned at 11:30 am.

Minutes completed and submitted by:



**Ilona Turra
Chief Administrative Officer
Air Cadet League of Canada
British Columbia Provincial Committee**



**Ron Rique
President
Air Cadet League of Canada
British Columbia Provincial Committee**