ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING TUESDAY 22 MARCH 2022

The President opened the meeting by ritual at 7:00 p.m. Comrade MacIntosh chaired the meeting.

ROLL CALL: Comrades Fecteau, Ferguson, R. Wills, C. Wills, Criss, Etmanski, Forner, MacIntosh, Hyshka W, Hyshka J, Earles K., Earles P, Werner,

Excused: Comrade Biddiscombe (sick), Deugau (sick), Wiebe

Absent:

Guests:

LAST POST

NAME <u>AGE</u> <u>DECEASED</u> <u>SERVICE</u>

CHARLES HENRY STYLE 95 YEARS ARMY

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:

Motion to accept the agenda was made by Comrade Ferguson Seconded by Comrade P. Earles

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: None

BUSINESS ARISING: None

Motion: To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade J. Hyshka

Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING DATED 22 FEBRUARY 2022:

Motion: To accept the minutes was made by Comrade Criss

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski CARRIED

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: None

BUSINESS ARISING: None

Motion: To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade K. Earles

Seconded by Comrade Ferguson CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCIAL CHAIRMAN: Comrade R. Wills **Financial Status**

Account Name	Last Month	Current Balance
Building	\$ 64,941	\$ 24,302
Rainbow	\$ -	\$ 38,636
Charities	\$ 12,561	\$ 12,562
Debit	\$ 29,993	\$ 11,702
Bingo	\$ 3,107	\$ 2,311
Plan 24 Savings	\$ 23,980	\$ -
Holding	\$ 19,690	\$ 32,491
Total:	\$ 154,272	\$ 122,004

Forecasted Expenses (next 30 days)		
Account Name	Last Month	Current
General Account	-\$ 64,598	\$ 2,920
Back Taxes	-\$ 74,474	\$ -
Arrears Penalty	-\$ 45,710	\$ 45,710
Outstanding Invoices	-\$ 24,826	\$ 16,818
Roof Repair (forecast)	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
2022 Taxes (forecast)	\$ 33,000	\$ 33,000
Total:	-\$ 267,608	\$ 123,448

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Forecasted Budget (next 30 days)			
Cash on Hand	\$ 154,272	\$ 122,004	
Forecasted Revenue	\$ 69,000	\$ 49,500	
Sub Total:	\$ 223,272	\$ 171,504	
Forecasted Expenses	-\$ 267,608	\$ 123,448	
Forecasted Profit /	-\$ 44,336	\$ 48,056	

Forecasted Revenue		
Location	Last Month	Current
Fund Raiser	\$ 50,000	\$ 20,000
Juno Room	\$ 14,000	\$ 17,500
Banquet Rooms	\$ 5,000	\$ 12.500
Total:	\$ 69,000	\$ 49,500

Fundraising Events

Fundraiser Event (to date)		
Branch Donations	\$ 26,114.12	
Rafflebox Donations	\$ 38,636.23	
PayPal Donations	\$ 1,212.55	
Go Fund Me Donations	\$ 27,836.69	
Total Donations	\$ 93,799.59	

Our pursue for the full tax forgiveness option will be brought forward during the May 10th City Council Meeting

We currently have three events on the go:

13 Apr Indoor Golf Simulator Tournament – CCT Golf Centre

30 Apr – 1 May Golf Tournament Cattail Crossing

Apr – May Matco Moving – Cheque to be delivered during Nestor Pestor Event

Both golf tournaments are posted on the City of Edmonton Events page I am reaching out to the television websites, because they used to have and still do YEG community. So I have contacted all three of them to see if we can get our event posted as well.

Now that we are open full time, attendance has been great and our income continues to grow. We are in better shape than we have been in years.

We are producing a new Fuction Master Checklist, for any event we have at the Legion. In conjunction with this, Flo and I have developed a checklist for an event which will be attached to it. The minute you decide to do an event there is a checklist that you must follow and if you follow the checklist, we will not have any problems, as everything will be on that list. Example Volunteers, arrange outside expenses, indoor expenses, everything we can think of will be on this list moving forward. I hope to have this done for the 1st of April.

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

TREASURER: Comrade Forner reported: as per the presented printed financial statement. I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade K. Earles

CARRIED

WAYS AND MEANS: Comrade Criss

We are setting up for a 3rd meat raffle and 50/50 with 100.3 The Bear. We are applying for a raffle over \$20,000 which we are hoping to raise \$35,000 for the meat draw. The target date so far is May 16 2022 unless something goes sideways.

Had out second round of Musical Bingo last Saturday and was a great success. The turn out was a nice surprise so looks like we may have a new venue going forward as this keeps up. Would like to send out a huge thank you to the people that helped out.

People are asking about the bingos, as of right now bingos are still up and functioning. So will still be needing volunteers for this.

Our next bingo is on April 1st, April 20th, May 4th, and May 24th. AS always will need volunteers for these days. No news yet on our new bingo dates going forward after May 24th but expect should hear something soon.

For any other fundraising ideas please call me at 780 278 1263 or email me at steve.criss@kingswaylegion.ca

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade K. Earles

CARRIED

MEMBERSHIP: Comrade C. Wills reported that we have 1018 members

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate	Life Members
412	355	224	27

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Ferguson

CARRIED

NEW MEMBERS: 28 New Applications 2 Transfers 2 Reinstatement

Ordinary LaPlante, Michel John Lessard, Felix Fleming, Don C. Slanina, John I Tanasiuk, John Laidlaw, Douglas St. Lawrence, Dean Majeau, Russ Proehl, Kathy Jones, Gladys	Associate Verhagan, Jan M. Daynes, Barbara Norell, Velma Ann Mills, Joan	Affiliate Prochinsky Nicola E. Honish, Gene Murray, Catherine A. Poburan, Robert (Bob) Perry-Jahn, Valerie Ringdahl, Jack Morland, Charles Fohry, Fern Kotylak, Brenda Lee Karpo, Mary Kozakevich, Bernard Fowler, Shannon Wynn Andrews, Shawna
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TRANSFERS

Ordinary Affiliate Associate

St. Lawrence, Charlotte Squamish BC Br 277

Baruzzini, Darreyl Norwood Br 178

REINSTATE

<u>Ordinary</u> <u>Associate</u> <u>Affiliate</u>

Sampson, Robert Lewicki, Richard

For a total of 32

Motion: Comrade Wills moves that we accept these individuals for processing into our Branch. Seconded by Comrade Criss **CARRIED**

New Members Who Signed a Declaration:

Jane Vanderhoek Susan Harmett George Kuhse Fran Lawson Patrick Matthews Lucille Clarke Tie Conn **Bob Harris** Corrine Arseault Adam Feth Lorraine Trudel Myron Pasheka

PUBLICITY: Comrade R. Wills

The website was last updated Mar 22. There have been 3104 visitors in the past 30 days. I am currently working on the Apr 2022 Newsletter; if you want something added I must have it by this Saturday 26 Mar.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade P Earles

CARRIED

SPORTS: Comrade Ferguson No report

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Comrade W. Hyshka

I wish to thank Rick, Mac and others who have assisted me since my fall. I hope to be up and moving a little bit more over the coming weeks.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade CARRIED

HISTORIAN: Comrade Deugau reported:

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade

CARRIED

SICK AND VISITING: Comrade Wiebe No report

ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS: Comrade J. Hyshka

Wow, what an amazing last few week! Friday and Saturday dances are up and going. Upcoming dates and bands are as follows:

March 25/26 – Norman and the Country Jammers April 1 / 2 – Norman and the Country Jammers April 8/9 – Country Gold NO DANCE – April 15 (Good Friday) April 16 – Steppin Out April 22/23 – Trick Ryder April 29/30 – Steppin Out

We had our first Tribute concert – Garth Brooks and it was a smashing success. Many thanks to everyone for helping out and making this event so much fun. I am working on my next Tribute concert (hint – King of Rock and Roll) and will post more information as it becomes available.

Upcoming special events are as follows:

Ukrainian Dinner – April 24 Tickets are \$25.00 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Mother's Day Special High Tea – May 8 3 sittings 12:00 pm 2:00 pm \$25.00 per guest

Nestor Pistor Live – June 4 Show and Meal \$50.00 Meal Only \$20.00 Show Only \$30.00 Doors open at 5:00 pm Meal at 6:00 pm Show at 7:00 pm Father's Day BBQ Steak Dinner – Sunday, June 19 Tickets \$25.00 More information to follow

Canada Day Pig Roast – July 1 More information to follow

We had our perogy "B" on Sunday, March 20 and Tuesday March 22. There were some interesting times in the kitchen but once we got going, things began to fly. Many thanks Carol, Ron, Tammy, Doreen, Natalie, Donna, Audrey, Rick, Terese, Norma, Noella, Wes, Sharon, Phyllis and Stan. If I forgot anyone, my apologies – still trying to learn names. As at the time of writing this report, we made 1789 perogies or almost 150 dozen. As of today 22 March, we have made 3,133 perogy's. I just want to Thank everyone who helped, we had fun and a big Thank You to all of them. So the perogy's are done, the cabbage rolls are done, those are the two big items, we are ready and set to go.

I am also working on an adult hypnotist show hopefully for September.

We are well on our way confirming our New Year's Eve band – Ruby and the Hitmen. Hope to have them confirmed by April 1st.

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

POPPY: Presented by Comrade Biddiscombe (read by Comrade C. Wills)

- 1. Greater Edmonton Poppy Fund meeting was held on Tuesday, March 14, 2022 at Kingsway Legion.
- 2. The meeting was well attended.
- 3. For the second month in a row the Election of new Offices was tabled to our next meeting. No one wanted to volunteer for the chairman's position.
- 4. We have been told we must pick a chairman at our April meeting or we will have to dissolve the Greater Edmonton Poppy Fund and lose our charity status.
- 5. A few days later our meeting minutes came out with a person volunteering for the Chairman's position. The positions below will be confirmed at the April meeting.
 - Chairman: Trudy Ressler
 - Secretary: Jackie Hyshka
 - Sporting events coordinator: Trese Biddiscombe
 - Treasurer: Ron Wills
- 6. I will not be attending the April Meeting as I will be on vacation.
- 7. On Tuesday March 14, Trese and I counted the remaining Poppy money that had been dropped off or picked up from various business. The total was \$2,635.75

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

POPPY TRUSTEE REPORT: Comrade R. Wills

YTD 2021

Veterans or their Dependants: 26 Clients for	\$138,114.39
British Comm Ex-Service League	\$10,000.00
Legion /Cadet Donation	\$100,861.00
Bursaries: / nine students	\$9,000.00
Medical	\$4593.74
Food Vouchers	\$1,650.00
Emergency Vouchers	\$700.00
Misc- Life Call, Medi Chair, Travel	\$125.72
Client Rent, Moving, Furniture	\$9,950.00
Client Utilities	\$1,233.93
Current Balance:	\$ 1,298,424.79

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade

CARRIED

SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT: Comrade P. Earles

I completed three requests for assistance from the Poppy Fund and provided assistance with two initial disability claims.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS: Comrade Ferguson No report

HONOURS & AWARDS: Comrade Fecteau No report

CORRESPONDENCE: Comrade C. Wills No report

CADET LIAISON OFFICER: Comrade Criss

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade

CARRIED

SGT-AT-ARMS: Comrade Etmanski

Upcoming Events

March 25, 2022 Funeral at Hainstock Funeral Home for Charles Style

March 29, 2022 General Meeting – 6:30 pm

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April 3, 2022 District Rally – 10:00 am Opening and Closing Ceremonies
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April 7, 2022 55+ Alberta Games – 6:00 pm meet at Branch

April 26, 2022 General Meeting – 6:30 pm

May 31, 2022 General Meeting – 6:30 pm

June 28, 2022 General Meeting – 6:30 pm

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade K. Earles

CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT: Comrade Flo Werner

Our PA system is down and we need to fix it, because we have funerals, anniversary coming up and shows coming up and we have no PA system. We really need to have this fix as soon as possible.

We need people to open and close for the farmers' market, come summer.

Front staff need to know what is going on, so that they can give out the correct information.

- They used to pull information & flyers from the website and place in the information book, why are they not doing that?

All bookings need to go thru Flo **ONLY**, no one should be entering an event without clearing it with Flo. So, if you want to book a room for an event or function check with Flo.

Tickets that are being made should have "no refund" on all of them. Steve Criss does the tickets. Name tags should be ready this week.

Comrade Ferguson moved the report.

Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

LADIES AUXILARY: Comrade K. Earles

The Ladies Auxiliary has continued the Saturday Meat draws and 50/50 and are so happy to see everyone. There has been much activity in the Juno Room, which is so awesome to see.

The Ladies are working hard on getting the Spring Raffle up and running. Tickets are available at the front desk or from an LA member. Draw is on April 9th the same date as our Ham and Turkey draw, 50/50, craft and bake sale. We welcome donations of crafts and baking.

Raffle prizes are: 1st - Golf Accessories/passes\$400

2nd - Food Hamper-\$400

3rd - Diamond Bracelet-\$130

4th - Kulhmann Basket-\$50

Tickets are \$2.00 each.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka

CARRIED

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Comrade Fecteau

Finally, spring has arrived. Your executive has been working diligently on your behalf, especially Comrade Ron Wills. He has successfully applied for grants and reached out to different companies such as a two-day fundraiser golf tournament at the Cattail Golf course scheduled for April 30th and May 1st. look for the poster at the front entrance.

We need our executive to come out and support this event as well as number of volunteers in uniform. There will also be a Saturday Night Country Show and a live auction (with Danny Hooper) and a silent auction. Tickets will cost \$100.00. Sunday night Wrap up will be held at the Branch.

Our 75^{th} Anniversary dinner & dance is on April 2^{nd} , if you would like to come to the dance that evening, tickets are \$10.00.

Our District Rally is coming up on the 3rd of April at Kingsway, so I am expecting all the Executives to be there. The sign up sheet is at the front desk, please sign up with your membership numbers.

Let's all get out and show our support at this event and show our support to help our Branch and show our appreciation to Comrade Ron Wills and all the volunteers for their hard work.

Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) Class Action Lawsuit Insurance coverage for business interruption Ongoing
- b) 75th Anniversary the doors will be open at 7:30 pm for the dance at 8:00 pm. Dinner is at 6 pm. We are expecting the Lieutenant Governor, we have not received any word from the Base Commander yet, and Chris Strong and his wife will also be there.
- c) We need to do a follow up the Lieutenant Governor is coming, as her security team will have to do their check. Also, all major fundraisers have been invited to attend for free. MC will be Joe Deluce.

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD & WELFARE OF KINGSWAYS BRANCH # 175

Motion: To adjourn was made by Comrade P. Earles

The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Next Meeting: 19 APRIL 2022 at 7:00 pm

Wm Bill Fecteau

President

Kingsway Legion Branch # 175

Carol Wills

Executive Secretary

Kingsway Legion Branch # 175

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