ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175 MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 29 MARCH 2022

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

ROLL CALL:

Present: Comrades Fecteau, Ferguson, Etmanski, R. Wills, J. Hyshka, W. Hyshka, Forner, C. Wills, Biddiscombe, Criss, MacIntosh,

Excused: Comrade P. Earles (sick), K. Earles (sick), Wiebe

Absent: Comrade Deugau

Guests:

LAST POST

NAME	<u>AGE</u>	DECEASED	SERVICE
Charley Style	97	18 Mar 2022	Army
Lawrence Tomkow	75	06 Mar 2022	
John William Lundquest	85	28 Jan 2022	
Fred Haight	66	02 Mar 2022	

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:

Motion to accept the agenda were made by Comrade R. Torrie Seconded by Comrade E. MacIntosh

CARRIED

Motion: To adopt the agenda was made by Comrade W. Hyshka Seconded by Comrade N. Danyi

CARRIED

WELCOMING CEREMONY:

The following new members attended the Welcoming Ceremony: Roy Aitken

PRESENTATIONS:

COMRADE KEN STEELE - 35 YEARS

RICK ETMANSKI - SGT AT ARMS, 2^{ND} VICE PRESIDENT, BRANCH SERVICE MEDAL

LEROY MACINTOSH - CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE MEDAL

AUDREY FERGUSON - 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

GEOFF BIDDISCOMBE - EXECUTIVE MEDAL, POPPY

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING DATED 22 February 2022:

Motion: To accept the minutes was made by Comrade W. Hyshka

Seconded by Comrade K. Steele CARRIED

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: None

BUSINESS ARISING: None

Motion: To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade S. Charlet

Seconded by Comrade Williams CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING DATED 22 MARCH 2022:

Motion: To accept the minutes was made by Comrade N. Danyi

Seconded by Comrade Roach CARRIED

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: None

BUSINESS ARISING: None

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

Seconded by Comrade B. Gwilliam CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Comrade Wills

	Last	Current
Account Name	Month	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

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

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 / Loss:	-\$ 44,336	\$ 48,056

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 10^{th} City Council Meeting

We currently have three events on the go:

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.

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade M. Steele

CARRIED

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

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

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.

We held our 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.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade S. Charlet

CARRIED

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

Ordinary Associate Affiliate Life Members 412 335 224 27

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

NEW MEMBERS: 28 New Applications 2 Transfers 2 Reinstatement

Ordinary Associate Affiliate

LaPlante, Micheal Verhagen, Jan Prochinsky, Nicole Lessard, Felix Daynes, Barbara Honish, Gene Fleming, Don Slanina, John Tanasiuk, John Laidlaw, Douglas St.Lawrence, Dean Majeau, Russ Proehl, Kathy Jones, Gladys

Norell, Velma Mills, Joan

Murray, Catherine Poburan, Robert (Bob) Perry-Jahn, Valerie Ringdahl, Jack Morland, Charles Fohry, Fern Kotylak, Brenda Lee

Karpo, Mary

Kozakevich, Bernard Fowler, Shannon Andrews, Shawna Gingrich, Debbie

TRANSFERS

Ordinary Associate <u>Affiliate</u>

St. Lawrence, Charlotte Squamish, B.C Br 277

Baruzzini, Darreyl Norwood Br 178

REINSTATEMENTS

Ordinary Associate <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.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Williams **CARRIED**

New Members Who Signed a Declaration:

Jane Vanderhoek Susan Harmett George Kuhse Fran Lawson Patrick Matthews Lucille Clarke

PUBLICITY: Comrade R. Wills as per the Executive minutes of 22 March 2022 I so move my report.

Addendum: as of 29 March 2022, the website has had 2604 hits. If anyone has anything for the newsletter, please send it to me as soon as possible.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade C. Gwilliam

CARRIED

SPORTS: Comrade Ferguson

It is good to have the sports leagues back and enjoying themselves once more. The Branch is busy with sports pretty well every day of the week now namely:

Monday night – Dart League and Crib League

Tuesdays – In the afternoon we have Drop In Pool, Over 60 Darts, Canasta and in the evening we have Tuesday Dart League and Impact Billiards.

Wednesday evening - Meat Draw, Peggers and Euchre

Thursdays – In the afternoon Over 60 Darts, Drop In Pool and in the evening Thursday Night Shuffleboard, Thursday Night Pool and the Jam.

Fridays – Meat Draw, Friday Night Shuffleboard and Dancing

Saturdays – Drop In Pool and Dancing in the Evening.

On April 03, 2022 the District 2 Rally is being hosted by us. There is no charge to attend and we will have Soup and Sandwich for \$10.00 or the Buffet for \$15.00 per person. A table will be set up to buy your lunch ticket of either the Soup and Sandwich or the Buffet. Registration is from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. with the joint Opening Ceremonies with the Ladies Auxiliary at 11:00 a.m. The ladies will then leave us to attend to their own District Rally. This year both the District Commander of District 2 and the Ladies District Commander is up for voting. For the 2022-2023 Command sports, District 2 is listed to host two sports namely Cribbage Legion and Cribbage Pairs. I will be putting a bid in for both of these events. Hopefully we will get one of them. If we get one of the sports we will be entitled to have what they call a seed team. As hosts we are entitled to have a team from our Branch play at Command without having to go through Area and District first. So if we are successful in hosting we will have a playoff in early September to see who the seed team will be.

Meat Draws on Wednesdays have been doing great. The Meat Draws and 50/50's are done by the Sports Leagues. When it is your league's turn you need to have three people to help and I ask that you check the sheet posted outside the canteen for when it is your turn to do the draws. I try to remember to call and remind the team a week before.

On April 13, 2022 we will be having the Ham and Turkey Meat Draw. We start selling the tickets at 5:30 p.m. and do the draws at 6:00 or shortly thereafter depending on the attendance. A reminder that we also do Meat Draws on Friday nights again selling the tickets at 5:30 and doing the draws starting at 6:00 pm or shortly thereafter depending on the attendance. The Meat Draw on Fridays is done by members of the Branch Executive committee.

And our Ladies Auxiliary do the Meat Draw on Saturdays starting at 1:00 p.m. so come on out and join us.

I so move my report Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Comrade W. Hyshka as per the Executive minutes of 22

March 2022

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Williams

CARRIED

HISTORIAN: Comrade Deugau - No Report

SICK AND VISITING: Comrade Wiebe - No Report

ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS: Comrade J. Hyshka as per the Executive

minutes of 22 March 2022

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade N. Danyi

CARRIED

POPPY: Presented by Comrade Biddiscombe as per the Executive minutes of 22 March 2022 I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka

POPPY TRUSTEE REPORT: Comrade Wills as per the Executive minutes of 22 March

2022, I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS: Comrade Ferguson - No Report

HONOURS & AWARDS: Comrade Fecteau

We have a room full of volunteers here tonight and yet, none of you have put anyone's name forward for recognition. We have great volunteers, and they need to be recognized, so please submit names for the Honours & Awards

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Williams

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE: Comrade C. Wills - No Report

CADET LIAISON OFFICER: Comrade Criss - No Report

SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT: Comrade Earles - No Report

SGT-AT-ARMS: Comrade Etmanski as per the Executive minutes of 22 March 2022

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Hyshka

CARRIED

LA REPORT: Comrade K. Earles - No Report

LEST WE FORGET Comrade V. Torrie

The Lest We Forget Concert Committee met on March 24, 2022, via a zoom call. With only five members present most of the business was tabled until next month's meeting. The bank balance remains at \$6097.52.

We are still waiting for a concert date from the theatre.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade N. Danyi

CARRIED

KIPNESS CENTRE - No report

VETERAN'S VILLA - No report

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 fund raiser 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 75th Anniversary dinner & dance is on April 2nd, 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 for all his hard work.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

a) Class Action Lawsuit – Insurance coverage for business interruption – ongoing

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Convention Call Out – May 6-8, 2022 in Red Deer

Nominations

Ron Wills

Mac Torrie

Rick Etmanski

Audrey Ferguson

Lionel Foote

Voting taken and nominees to go are:

Rick Etmanski

Lionel Foote

Anyone wishing to attend the Convention, the Kingsway Legion will pay their registration fee. Please submit your names to President William Fecteau.

Motion: Comrade L. MacIntosh motioned that we destroy all ballots

Seconded by Comrade Colpitts

CARRIED

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD & WELFARE OF KINGSWAYS BRANCH # 175

Comrade Norma Yerex: I would like to thank all the volunteers who worked at the Garth Brooks Tribute and all the volunteers who will be working at the 75th Anniversary dinner.

Comrade R. Wills: Reminder that for the 75^{th} Anniversary dance following the dinner, all persons are welcome, entry will be \$10.00

Comrade V. Torrie – had raffle tickets for the Ladies Auxiliary with her if anyone wished to purchase.

50 / 50 DRAW:

Winning Ticket # 151773 Amount: \$90.00

Winner: Ken Steele

Motion: To adjourn was made by Comrade Ferguson

The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Wm Bill Fecteau President

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Carol Wills

Executive Secretary

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