

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING

TUESDAY 21 JUNE 2022

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

ROLL CALL:

Present: Comrades Fecteau, Ferguson, Deugau, J. Hyshka, W. Hyshka, Forner, Criss, Biddiscombe, MacIntosh, Werner, K Earles, T Biddiscombe (acting Secretary)

Excused: Etmanski, R. Wills, C.Wills, P. Earles, Wiebe,

Absent:

Guests: Dave Basham, District Commander

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:

Motion to accept the agenda was made by Comrade Criss

Seconded by Comrade Deugau

Errors or Omissions: None

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING DATED 31 MAY 2022

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

Seconded by Comrade Forner

CARRIED

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: None

BUSINESS ARISING: None

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

Seconded by Comrade W Hyshka

CARRIED

Discussion

Comrade Criss enquired why the dance floor was reintroduced-Topic was brought up by comrade B Claggett who will work on getting 3 bids as previously discussed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

Financial Chairman

No Report

Addendum

Update on some Financial items since we last met.

The City Taxes have been paid in full (including our 2022 taxes)

The President and I sent a letter to the Bank authorizing them to withdraw \$40,000.00 from the Holding Account to pay the Canadian Emergency Business Account

Our Request for the Bear raffle is sitting with AGCL for approval

The Community Grant for the City of Edmonton for \$16,500.00 was received on Friday 10 June. It was placed in the Holding Account.

I have asked Donna to design an Event Budget Accounting Form.

We have approved Jamie from Ellis Group to work with us in improving our accounting system

TREASURER: Comrade Forner reported: as per the presented printed financial statement.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Biddiscombe

CARRIED

WAYS AND MEANS: Comrade Criss reported the following:

We have the approval for our \$35,000.00 meat raffle and is set up on rafflebox. Now we are just waiting on The Bear 100.3 for raffle date. And links will be active.

We have our 5th musical bingo coming up this Friday and the theme will be 70's part 2 then probably back to the 50's & 60's in July.

September when leagues are back in play will be doing another vacation draw. Will start out something simple and if sales go well will go for a nice inclusive package after that.

We have a bingo coming up on June 27th, and still short 4 people to walk the floor. The next bingos coming up are July 5th, July 20th, August 4th, and August 16th

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Forner

CARRIED

DISCUSSION

Recommend all Executive members refrain from buying BEAR meat draw tickets to reflect the same protocol as the BEAR has done for their employees. It's ok to buy 50/50 tickets.

MEMBERSHIP:

No Report

PUBLICITY:

No Report

SPORTS: Comrade Ferguson reported

All Sports leagues are finished for the summer. I will be putting the lists up in July for anyone wishing to sign up for the different sports we have going for the winter.

A couple sports running through the summer are the Drop In Tourney on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, Drop In Euchre on Wednesday evenings right after the Meat Draw and 50/50. I understand Pool will continue Thursday evenings to help support the Branch.

Since we have no General Meetings in July or August and our next one is the end of September I am reminding everyone that September 17, 2022 we will be hosting the Area Cribbage Legion event. This is a four person team divided into two groups A and B with total points added together to make the team score. Come on out and enjoy yourselves playing Crib. There is no cost to play only cost to you is your lunch.

Meat Draws will continue throughout the summer on Wednesdays and Fridays starting at 5:30 p.m. Thank you to the Over 60 Club who has signed up to do four Meat Draws for us. Any groups who come in to play in the Branch we would appreciate you stepping up to do a couple of Meat Draws during the summer.

During the summer we will be redoing the Sports Criteria. Over the years this Criteria has been changed completely from when 40 sports members sat down and designed them. We will be going back to how the Criteria was written back in 2000 with a few changes.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade W Hyshka

CARRIED

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Comrade W. Hyshka reported

House and Grounds Report

I have been doing grounds upkeep with the assistance of my grandson.

I have tuned up the lawnmowers and the grass trimmer.

I have been pulling weeds in the flower gardens.

Sprayed for weeds on the concrete.

Assisted wherever else required

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade

Deugau

CARRIED

HISTORIAN: Comrade Deugau

No Report

SICK AND VISITING:

No Report

ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS: Comrade J. Hyshka

Entertainment and Special Events Report

Friday and Saturday dances are going well. Upcoming dates and bands are as follows:

June 24/25 – Country Gold

July 1/2 – Trick Ryder

July 8/9 – Steppin Out

July 15/16 – Dean Henry

July 22/23 – Country Gold

July 29/30 – Dean Henry

Friday night Executive meat draws are doing very well.

Upcoming special events are as follows:

Canada Day Festivities – Friday, July 1

Face painting, Kids karaoke, ice cream bar

Pancake Breakfast 9:00 to 11:00 Price - \$2:00

Pig Roast 5:30 to 6:30 Tickets \$30.00

Regular Friday night dance featuring Trick Ryder from 7:00 to 11:00

Jackie will contact the vendor to reduce the number people estimate to attend, currently 250 will reduce to 125

May need to cancel if more tickets are not sold (currently 5 tickets have been sold)

Elvis Tribute show with live band - Sunday, August 14, 2022

Dinner & Show - \$50.00

Dinner Only Tickets - \$20.00

Show Only Tickets - \$30.00

Tickets on sale until August 8, 2022

Adult Hypnotist Dinner and Show - Saturday, September 17, 2022

Dinner & Show - \$45.00

Show Only - \$25.00

Tickets on sale until September 12, 2022

Oktoberfest Dinner - Saturday, October 1, 2022

DJ Music provided by Joe Luce

Tickets are \$30.00

Tickets on sale until September 24, 2022

NEW UPCOMING EVENTS

Bonnie Kilroe Diva Tribute show for Saturday, October 15, 2022

Discussion: Stephen Tyler has contacted Jackie with regards to amount we are currently paying bands. They have requested an additional \$100.00 above what the current contract states. No increase was recommended at this time.

Entertainment has been secured until the New year, at that time a DJ will be looked into, as an occasional trial basis, a survey may be conducted.

It's an administrative decision to increase the band fee and it was denied at this time.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Forner

CARRIED

POPPY: Presented by Comrade Biddiscombe

No Report

POPPY TRUSTEE REPORT:

No Report

SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT: No Report

Addendum:

I have assisted with four initial disability claims, had three referrals to the Command SO, completed four requests for Poppy Fund assistance and two requests for information.

RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS: Comrade Ferguson

Notice of Motion- To amend the Branch Bylaws dated September 28, 2021.

Amendments are mostly related to changes made due to COVID.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade W Hyshka

CARRIED

HONOURS & AWARDS: Comrade Fecteau

No Report

CORRESPONDENCE:

No Report

CADET LIAISON OFFICER: Presented by Comrade Criss

No Report

SGT-AT-ARMS:

No Report

LADIES AUUXILARY: Comrade Kim Earles

On the weekend of June 10-12th, we had 7 of our LA members attend the AB-N.W.T. LA Command convention in Ft. Saskatchewan. This does not include our District 2 Commander Jackie Hyshka. Our district two committee did a fantastic job of hosting the event. Ft. Saskatchewan Legion was a very welcoming host Legion.

During the convention Jackie Hyshka was voted in as the 2nd Vice President for AB-N.W.T. LA Command. Congratulations Jackie!

The Ladies Auxiliary will not have meetings until September. We will hold our Saturday meat raffles and 50/50's.

At the convention it was announced our AB-N.W.T. LA Command is offering free LA membership for a year to new members. It's a great time to join to see what Kingsway LA has to offer and how you fit in. We truly have a terrific bunch of ladies come check us out.

I will be away the majority of July. Please contact Blondie Charlet with any inquiries.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Deugau

CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Comrade moved the Manager's report.

Happy to have Lise in the Kitchen, two cooks left after one day.
We need to look at new BBQ's, there was a fire on Saturday night. Comrade W Hyshka will look into it, may just need to be cleaned
Thanked the Cadets for their help in cleaning up the property.

Motion to accept report made by Comrade Ferguson
Second by Comrade Forner

CARRIED

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Present by Comrade Fecteau

Things are going very well with the Branch. Our back taxes and current taxes have been paid. The caveat on our Branch has been removed. We have a lot of events planned during the coming months, keep your eyes on our web site. I will be away July 2-9, 2022

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade K Earles

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Round Table:

Meat Draws: Comrade Ferguson brought forward a request to have meat draws geared to the season, as an example in the summertime have more BBQ items. Comrade Forner will take this under advisement.

Comrade Basham indicated that Strathcona uses gift cards instead of buying meat. Depending on the crowd they give a \$10.00 gift card or a \$20.00 card. Just something to consider.

Comrade Werner requested meetings start at 6:30 pm. It makes for a very long day for those that are here all day. Decision made to move meetings to 6:30 p until further notice.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD & WELFARE OF KINGSWAYS BRANCH # 175

Comrade Fecteau made a visit to Norwood Legion to see how they are doing. There is a need to stop rumors and petty conversation. The goal of both Legions is to move forward and promote the unity as one big family. The spreading of rumors will not be tolerated.

Comrade Basham Presented Comrade Hyshka with Command Past Officer medal and Deputy Commander Bar.

Next meeting **July 19, 2022 6:30**

Motion: To adjourn was made by Comrade K Earles
Seconded by Comrade J Hyshka

The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 P.M.

A black ink signature of Wm Bill Fecteau, written in a cursive style.

Wm Bill Fecteau
President
Kingsway Legion Branch # 175

A blue ink signature of Trese Biddiscombe, written in a cursive style.

Trese Biddiscombe
Recording Secretary
Kingsway Legion Branch # 175