# ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175 MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER, 2022

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

# **ROLL CALL:**

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

Excused: Comrade P. Earles, Comrade K. Earles, Comrade Wiebe

Absent: Comrade

**Guests:** 

## **LAST POST**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<b>DECEASED</b>	<b>SERVICE</b>
McChesney, Bud	80 years	22/Aug/2022	Army
Detonnancour, Roch (Rock	(y) 95 years	21/Sept/2022	
Hrywtiw, Norman	84 years	01/Sept/2022	Army
Harvey, Diane	73 years	25/Sept/2022	-

## **MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:**

Motion to accept the agenda were made by Comrade Christensen Seconded by Comrade Charlet

**CARRIED** 

**Motion:** To adopt the agenda was made by Comrade R. Wills Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka,

**CARRIED** 

## **WELCOMING CEREMONY:**

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

COMRADE BILL LAWRENCE – 10 YEAR PIN COMRADE DAWN MCALLISTER – 20 YEAR PIN COMRADE TREVOR MCALLISTER – 30 YEAR PIN

## **MINUTES OF THE GENERALMEETING DATED 28 JUNE 2022:**

**Motion:** To accept the minutes was made by Comrade Foote

Seconded by Comrade E. MacIntosh

CARRIED

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: Signature required

**BUSINESS ARISING: None** 

**Motion:** To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade Biddiscombe

Seconded by Comrade O'Brien CARRIED

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING DATED 23 AUGUST 2022:** 

**Motion:** To accept the minutes was made by Comrade Lawrence

Seconded by Comrade Claggett CARRIED

**ERRORS OR OMISSIONS:** None

**BUSINESS ARISING:** None

**Motion:** To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade Etmanski

Seconded by Comrade Hazen CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING DATED 22 SEPTEMBER 2022:

**Motion:** To accept the minutes was made by Comrade E. MacIntosh

Seconded by Comrade Leaburn CARRIED

**ERRORS OR OMISSIONS:** Signature required

**BUSINESS ARISING: None** 

**Motion:** To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade Christensen

Seconded by Comrade T. Biddiscombe CARRIED

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** 

**FINANCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**: Comrade Wills, as per the Executive Meeting of 22 September, I so move my report with the following addendum

Taxes have been straightened out Service Credit Union has confirmation of the Caveat has being lifted so they are working on a letter of tolerance, and we will have the letter by Friday (September 30<sup>th</sup>) in addition to that we will have the final copy of the 2021 budget will be on our desk.

BMO – we are exploring moving to a new bank, the reason we are exploring BMO is because they can give us a better rate, they are willing to give us the line of credit without us having to guarantee it. At the moment we have \$80,000.00 in GIC's that we cannot touch, because Servus Credit Union demands it for our overdraft. BMO does not assume that. BMO service fees are lower than Servus Credit Union for legions. By going to BMO we would also be using their POS (point of sale) system so if there are any failures with it, it is not our responsibility to get it looked after it is theirs, and currently it is our problem. And to be honest with you the POS system is dropping at least 3 times a week right now.

We will have more information from BMO, once we provide them with all questions they are asking us, so that they can compare apples to apples when they give us the quotes.

On Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> we had a financial committee meeting during that time we completed our 2023 forecasted budget, once that is reviewed by the Executive at the next Meeting.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Charlet

**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: No report

**MEMBERSHIP:** Comrade C. Wills reported that we have 1249 members in good standing

Ordinary Associate Affiliate Life Members 470 439 313 27

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Charlet

**CARRIED** 

**NEW MEMBERS:** 6 New Applications 8 Transfers 2 Reinstatement

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

Kravontka, Christine Thomas, Ann Johnson, Verner

Walsh, John Moldowan, Trinda C

Wesley, Alan A.

#### **TRANSFERS**

OrdinaryAssociateAffiliateHaberer, WilliamWhite, NeilReichert, DanielStony Plain Br 256National Br 13National Br 13

Slaght, James D. Parker, Steven J. Zoe, Frederic Ft McMurray Br 165 Morinville Br 176 Ft Sask Br 27

Wiens, Michael Denison, Donald Flin Flon MB Br 73 Norwood Br 178

#### REINSTATEMENTS

Ordinary Associate Affiliate

Rudkowski, Victor Silver, Heather

For a total of 16

Motion: Comrade Wills moves that we accept these individuals for processing into our Branch.

Seconded by Comrade Charlet

CARRIED

New Members Who Signed a Declaration: See attached page

**PUBLICITY:** Comrade Wills – No report

**SPORTS:** Comrade Ferguson as per Executive minutes of 22 September I so move my report with the following addendum. Our dart team, Rick Etmanski, Jackie Hyshka, Wes Hyshka, Audrey Ferguson advance to District. Shuffleboard to be played on Oct 1<sup>st</sup> has been cancelled due to lack of participation, the Senior teams of Carol Gwilliam, Maxine Laird, Leeann Leaburn and Audrey Ferguson and the mix team of Carol and Ron Wills advance to District. Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup> we have 7 teams from Kingsway competing in the 8 Ball Pool doubles being held at Strathcona. Also coming in October are the mixed Senior Darts on the 15<sup>th</sup> at Ft Saskatchewan, cribbage pairs on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Norwood and we will be hosting the Mixed Darts on October 29<sup>th</sup>. If you are planning on any of these events than you must have your entries in by the deadline date, which is posted on the Sports board just outside the canteen.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Leaburn

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** Comrade W. Hyshka as per the Executive meeting of Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>, with the following addendum

I would like to Thank everyone for helping me with clean up and everything else.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Gwilliam

**CARRIED** 

**HISTORIAN:** No Report

**SICK AND VISITING:** No Report

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

meeting of 22 September 2022.

I So move my report. Seconded by Comrade

**CARRIED** 

**POPPY:** Comrade Biddiscombe, as per the Executive meeting 22/September/2022, the minutes contain the new schedule for the poppy schedule. After an absence due to Covid on Nov 4<sup>th</sup> the Ladies Auxiliary will be at the Royal Alex, Glenrose and Canada Place. Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Tag Days will be back as well and Kingsway Branch will be setting up a donation table at Commerce Place. These events have not been taking place because of Covid. Sign up sheets are on the table by the Boardroom, you can help us out by signing up early so we confirm all positions are filled. If you have any questions when the Poppy Office is open, the phone number is on your sheet 780-456-6518.

This year because we have so many new members we are going to contact as many new members as possible to help fill these positions. A lot of people are interested but not sure of how to volunteer. There is a correction on the Poppy Campaign sheet, it says that the Kingsway Poppy & Wreath office will open in the Boardroom on Oct 28<sup>th</sup>, the date is Oct 24<sup>th</sup>, to be open for 4 weeks. The Poppy office looks after basically all of the greater Edmonton poppy fund, any requests that come in, my wife Terese will be there, and she looks after organizing any kind of questions, orders, business's who want to participate, accepting donations, data entry etc. This year we will be asking other branches to volunteer we have in the past and this year have looked after basically the Poppy office. It's not just Kingsway Legion it's everyone's poppy office and we are looking to expand and get some other people in for help. As far as sporting events goes, unfortunately the Elks did not have a very good year, so we are not going to have any games to go to there. They did offer us an opportunity to go to the last game, but it is to early to be handing poppies out. We do have 3 Oiler games on Nov 1, 3,5/2022 Nashville, New Jersey & Dallas and we have 1 Oil Kings game on Nov 4<sup>th</sup>. We will put out a sign-up sheet soon once we have the required volunteers from the Oilers and Oil Kings game, the sign-up sheet will be provided. We also have the other Legions to help out as well

I am also please to announce that Brett Fitch has expressed interest in taking over the Poppy Chair position for next year, he will be working with me on the 2022 campaign to see if it is a good fit for him.

I so move my report. Seconded by Comrade Charlet

**CARRIED** 

**POPPY TRUSTEE REPORT:** Comrade Wills as per the Executive meeting I so move my report with the following addendum

We are not doing the ad mail envelopes this year. There is a bit of confusion of what happened with it. It never got approved in time and the Poppy committee felt it might be a good thing to try not to ad. This will allow us to see how much revenue we lose as a result of not having the ad mail. We can go back to Command and Dominion, saying the proof is in the pudding. Ever since we dropped the ad mail we lost so much, it's worth the money to spend. So if anyone asks this year there is no ad mail, you must come into the Branch, phone it in, if they are looking for tax receipts those are the only two options drop it off at the office or do it on line. I so move my report.

i so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Biddiscombe

**CARRIED** 

**SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT:** No report

**RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS:** See attached Motion document

**HONOURS & AWARDS:** No report

**CORRESPONDENCE:** No report

**CADET LIAISON OFFICER:** No report

**SGT-AT-ARMS:** Comrade Etmanski as per the Executive meeting of 22 September 2022, I so move my report with the following addendum

## **Color Party Engagements**

Monday, Oct 24, 2022 CMS Strathcona Thursday Oct 27, 2022 Legislature 1<sup>st</sup> Poppy

Thursday Nov 3, 2022 MLA Legislature Remembrance service

Friday Nov 4, 2022 NE Seniors Association Sunday Nov 6, 2022 Lest We Forget Concert Monday Nov 7, 2022 No Stone Left Alone Tuesday Nov 8, 2022 Cantebury Court

Wednesday Nov 9, 2022 Central Lions Senior Centre

Wednesday Nov 9, 2022 St Michaels Thursday Nov 10, 2022 St Joe's

Friday Nov 11, 2022 Kingsway Legion Memorial Service

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade R Torrie CARRIED

LA REPORT: No report

#### **LEST WE FORGET** Comrade V. Torrie

The Lest We Forget Concert Committee met at Ft Saskatchewan Legion on September 16, 2022. Bank balance as of Aug 31, 2022 was \$6,097.52. Final arrangements are being made with Festival Place for the production of the concert, reception and silent auction. It will be held on Sunday November 6, 2022. Doors open and silent auction at 6 pm, concert at 7:00 pm Tickets available from Festival Place (without an extra fee) and Ticketmaster (with an extra fee). Early bird \$25.00 until Nov 3 and \$30.00 after. Under 18 and all cadets \$10.00. Get your tickets early. There are less than 500 tickets available.

We are looking for monetary donations, sponsors and silent auction items, to help with the concert. I have a letter if anyone needs one.

On the back of the Lest We Forget poster is an application for putting a face on Remembrance. This is an opportunity to submit a military picture to be used in the Remembrance and booklet production during the concert.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade S. Charlet

**CARRIED** 

**KIPNESS CENTRE** No report

## VETERAN'S VILLA No report

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Comrade Fecteau as per the Executive meeting of 22 September I so move my report, with the following addendum

We lost another long-standing member Diane Harvey, her funeral will be at Connely-McKinley on Oct 7, 2022 at 2 pm, with luncheon at Kingsway Legion on Oct 8, 2022 at 3 pm.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade O'Brien

**CARRIED** 

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

a) Class Action Lawsuit – on going

## **NEW BUSINESS**:

**a.** Elections – Nominating Committee

Leroy MacIntosh
Ron Charlet
Roger Nelson

# COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD & WELFARE OF KINGSWAYS BRANCH # 175

Proposal from Bill O'Brien on a Tuesday Jam – on hold until further information can be presented

## 50 / 50 DRAW:

Winning Ticket #658570 Amount: \$85.00

Winner: Trevor McAllister

Motion: To adjourn was made by Comrade W. Hyshka

The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Wm Bill Fecteau

President

Kingsway Legion Branch # 175

Carol Wills

**Executive Secretary** 

Kingsway Legion Branch # 175

and Wills