

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175
MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING
TUESDAY 14 DECEMBER 2021

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, Deugau, Criss, Etmanski, Biddiscombe, Rayfield, MacIntosh, Hyshka W, Hyshka J

Excused:

Absent: Comrades P. Earles, K. Earles, Werner, Forner, Wiebe

Guests:

LAST POST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>DECEASED</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>
Alain Haugh	84 years	October 8, 2021	

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:

Motion to accept the agenda was made by Comrade R. Wills
Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING DATED 30 NOVEMBERE 2021:

Motion: To accept the minutes was made by Comrade Ferguson
Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: None

BUSINESS ARISING: None

Motion: To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade Criss
Seconded by Comrade Biddiscombe

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCIAL CHAIRMAN: Comrade R. Wills

Branch financials are not ready at this time. I am having 1st financial meeting on 18 December 2021, after the meatdraw.

2021 Branch Audit

Motion: that we employ Jamie Araujo of Ellis Group LLP to complete our 2021 Year End Audit for an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

TREASURER: Comrade Former No report

WAYS AND MEANS: Comrade Criss

Will be submitting the New Horizons grant this week with quotes for the outside beams and a new POS System, network upgrades plus a few small things for entertainment wise.

I am also looking for one more person for the Ways and means Committee Come the new year we will be organising, new ideas new raffles to help bring in money for the legion.

Would like to send out huge thank you for everyone that has helped with organizing or volunteering, over 2021. Your help as always is very much appreciated.

For those who have stepped up and helped along the way with our regular Bingos but also the few extra we picked up along the way I also thank you. The extra income will go a long way to helping out the legion.

The list for upcoming bingos for last of 2021 are: December 21, 2021, and Sunday January 2nd There are 2 positions left open 1 for Pull Tabs(Balls), 1 for bonanza 50/50

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 Rayfield

CARRIED

MEMBERSHIP: Comrade C. Wills reported that we have 1269 members

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate	Life Members
491	441	337	27

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

NEW MEMBERS: 12 New Applications 2 Transfers 0 Reinstatement

Ordinary

Clarke, Lucille
Feth, Adam
Thistle-Boucher, Joses

Associate

Harper, Brigitte
King, Christine A.
Nash, Tara
Wyllie, Marnie
Fuchs, Desiree

Affiliate

Owcharuk, William
McDermott, Lillian
Shumansky, Ernest N.
Trudel, Lorraine

TRANSFERS

Ordinary

Scaglione, Salvatore
Branch 147 Barrie, On.

Associate

Anderson, Earl
Strathcona Br 150

Affiliate

REINSTATE

Ordinary

Associate

Affiliate

For a For a total of 14

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

Seconded by Comrade Ferguson

CARRIED

New Members Who Signed a Declaration: 7 members

Pamela Santiago

Alan Deck

Salvador Lelis

Patricia Meertens

Roman Paziuk

Jeff Matlock

Janice Arndt

PUBLICITY: Comrade Wills

Website was last updated Dec 13. I have added the winners of the Grey Cup Tickets. There have been 1009 visitors in the past 30 days.

I am currently working on the Jan 2022 Newsletter; if you want something added I must have it by this Tues 28 Dec.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshkia

CARRIED

SPORTS: Comrade Ferguson No report

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Comrade W. Hyshka I have done some repairs since starting, I had the skirting on the shuffleboard repaired, the two door jams (wreath room & boardroom) have been done. I have a list of other things to be done, the snowblower has been cleaned and requires a new spark plug (\$8.00). If anyone sees something that needs to be fixed pass the information to me and I will get right on it.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Deugau

CARRIED

HISTORIAN: Comrade Deugau

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade

CARRIED

SICK AND VISITING: Comrade Wiebe

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade

CARRIED

ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS: Comrade Rayfield

Since the decision made at the General Meeting on 30 November, 2021, relating to the DANCE FLOOR REPLACEMENT and ENLARGEMENT in the Juno Lounge, I have received two of three quotes for the cost of this much needed and overdue project.

- After adding extra tables for the New Years Eve Gala Dinner and Dance because of demand, I'm pleased to report that we were sold out as of December 7.

In comparison to 2019 when we sold only 80 tickets with more than \$400 spent on advertising, this year we have sold 202 tickets without a single dime being spent on advertising.

I will add that roughly 70 tickets have been sold to members of two different Singles Clubs that were downplayed by Comrade Holmes at the November General Meeting.

- I have begun to contact several booking agents to line up entertainers for future dinner shows. I have confirmed a booking for Sunday, March 13, 2022.

The artist will be presenting his Voices of Legends Show, impersonations of several famous singers & groups, highlighting Garth Brooks.

- The Grey Cup Party held on Sunday, December 12, proved to be quite successful with 38 people in attendance, including 17 members of the Professional Singles Club.

- The two singles clubs that I repeatedly draw upon, have become loyal supporters of the Kingsway Legion, not only at our weekend dances and our special events, but also booking our facility for several different types of functions on an ongoing basis.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

POPPY: Presented by Comrade Biddiscombe

1. The 2021 Poppy Campaign has been successfully completed.
2. Volunteer turn out was low. We only had seventy-six people volunteer out of 1222 card carrying members, which means only 6% of our membership did 100% of the work for Kingsway Legion.
3. I sent Ron a Volunteer Thank you letter and asked that it be included in his monthly news letter. Their dedication and enthusiasm was amazing.
4. Our Volunteers contributed over 867 hours with at least fifteen people volunteering for positions that totaled fifteen or more individual hours. When you add the Coordinator Volunteer Hours, we are over 1313 hours and still climbing.
5. All the business and school routes have been picked up.
6. We have completed Four money counts
7. November 9th (3 Edmonton Oilers Hockey games) Which includes all the Branches of the G.E.P.F.
Cash: \$14,119.89
Tap Machine: \$1,013.00
Total: \$15,132.89
8. November 10th Kingsway Legion count at Norwood \$21,276.64
9. November 18th Kingsway Legion count at Norwood \$42,881.04
10. November 29th Kingsway Legion count at Norwood \$2,725.16
Cash: \$66,882.84
Tap Machine: \$2,556
Total: \$69,438.84
11. November 29th MFRC count at Norwood \$3,912.81
12. November 29th CFB Edmonton count at Norwood \$6163.59
13. Tap Machines were returned to Ontario via FedEx on Nov.22

14. Tap Machine totals: \$3,569.00 We loaned
Fort Saskatchewan a tap machine from Nov.5-12 and it earned \$861.00 at Sherwood Park
Costco

15. We judged 1 poster entry from a grade 4 student and submitted it to Ron to be forwarded
on.

On going activities:

- Poppy Office is processing donations received through mail, phone, in person and is issuing tax receipts.
- Thank you letters need to be sent to children/schools who sent the Legion Remembrance Day art and letters.
- Kingsway Poppy Inventory needs to be totaled

Once again, I want to say Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the 2021 Poppy Campaign. I enjoyed working with everyone and meeting some new people.

I look forward to working with everyone during the 2022 campaign.

I so move my report.
Seconded by Comrade

CARRIED

POPPY TRUSTEE REPORT: Comrade Wills

YTD 2021

Veterans or their Dependants: 3 Clients for	\$18,246.94
Food Vouchers	\$0.00
Emergency Vouchers	\$350.00
Other Vouchers	\$0.00
Medical	\$0.00
Misc- Life Call, Medi Chair, Travel	\$125.72
Rent	\$2,250.00
Client Utilities	\$521.22
British Comm Ex-Service League	\$10,000.00
Bursaries: / five students	\$5,000.00
Current Balance:	\$ 1,259,361.51

75th Anniversary Report

No Report

Restrictions Exemption Program

I applied for the \$2,000.00 REP Implementation Grant on Dec 13

I so move my report.
Seconded by Comrade Fecteau

CARRIED

Motion: I move that the poppy fund pay the \$350.00 room rental to Kingsway Legion
Seconded by Comrade Criss **CARRIED**

Motion: Greater Edmonton Poppy fund pay for the work meals for a total of \$181.25
Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka **CARRIED**

Motion: Greater Edmonton Poppy fund pay \$37.65 (materials) for the poppy sorters made by
Geoff Biddiscombe
Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka **CARRIED**

RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS: No Report

HONOURS & AWARDS: No report

CORRESPONDENCE: No report

CADET LIAISON OFFICER: No report

SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT: No report

SGT-AT-ARMS: Comrade Etmanski – the Colour Party have been asked to attend the 55+
Games on April 7th, 2022
I so move my report.
Seconded by Comrade W. Hyshka **CARRIED**

Motion: We allot money for the training session for the new Colour Party members on Jan 12,
2022, for soup & sandwich.
Seconded by Comrade Criss

MANAGER'S REPORT: Read by Comrade C. Wills

We have lost the Thursday night dart league, we should have the sports officer and the president sit down and talk to them about coming back next year. We are losing approx. \$1000,00 per month. That is \$16000. 00 per dart season. I know that the dart community is a tight community and we do have other events that some dart people enter in to. We cannot afford to lose them also.

Our land taxes still have not been paid, we need to do something before the City puts a lien on the property. We owe approx. \$118,000.00
We had a bad week last week with groups cancelling or just not showing up. Hope it gets better in the new year.

Pull tickets are going up 10 %

Pepsi is going up 10%

I would really like to see some impersonator shows I don't even care if there are meals with it, we need to find a way to get people in our chairs that are willing to spend money

Hope everyone has a good Christmas and a healthy new year.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade

CARRIED

LADIES AUXILARY: Comrade Kim Earles

Since the November Legion Executive meeting the LA members prepared 120 gift bags for the Kipnes residents and a bag or items for each house at Kipnes. When delivered the staff were overwhelmed with our generosity. As I mentioned to attendees at the LA Meat Raffle it is with their support and through our raffles that this is possible.

On Dec 14, 2021 Gary Forner and I met with Save-On-Foods at 50th St and 167 Ave to arrange our meat orders for the raffles in the new year. There were no issues and we were well received.

Seconded by Comrade Biddiscombe

CARRIED

PRESIDENT'S REPORT No report

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) Class action lawsuit – Insurance coverage for business interruption
- b) 75th Anniversary – next meeting will be on January 8th 2022

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD & WELFARE OF KINGSWAYS BRANCH # 175

Motions – when motions are presented to the Executive, each motion is “subject to the approval of the General membership at the General meetings.”

Seconded by Comrade Criss

Flooring – 3 quotes must be presented to the General Membership for approval. Vote on the quote they choose.

Casino – we will not be getting a casino until 2023

Cover charge at the door of the Juno Room to increase by \$2.00 – approval required from the

General membership.

Comrade Rayfield:

Motion: to increase the bands as per the size of each band eg. 3 piece band \$800.00
4-5 piece band to \$1000.00 - to be approved by the general membership

Motion: To adjourn was made by Comrade R. Wills

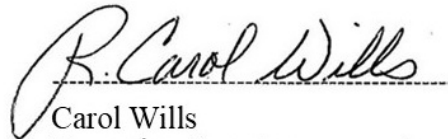
The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Next Meeting: 18 January 2022 at 7:00 pm



Wm Bill Fecteau
President
Kingsway Legion Branch # 175



Carol Wills
Executive Secretary
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