

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175**  
**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025**

I'd like to acknowledge that we are on Treaty 6 territory, a traditional meeting grounds, gathering place, and traveling route to the Cree, Saulteaux (So-toe), Blackfoot, Métis, Dene (De-nay) and Nakota Sioux (Sue). We acknowledge the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.

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

Attendance: 29 Members    1 Guests – NO QUARUM

The meeting was chaired by Comrade L. MacIntosh

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Comrades, R. Etmanski, C. Wills, J. Hazen, J. Hyshka, R. Torrie, S. Criss, C. Simon, B. O'Brien, D. MacIntosh, M. Walsh, K. Deugau, and L. Foote

**Excused:**

W. Hyshka, B. Wiebe, S. Danyi, N. Danyi and J. Luce

**LAST POST**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Age</u></b>	<b><u>Deceased</u></b>	<b><u>Service (if applicable)</u></b>
Lewis Ervin		05 Nov 2024	Army
Alex Tsang (ret'd Maj)	77	06 Feb 2025	Army
John Vanzwoll	82	06 Mar 2025	Ordinary
John Pimsent	94	01 Mar 2025	Ordinary

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:**

**Motion:** to accept the agenda as amended made by Comrade Walsh  
Seconded by Comrade Roche

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING DATING 25 FEBRUARY 2025**

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

**CARRIED**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**TREASURER:** Comrade D. MacIntosh

I laid out the profit and loss for January and February this year opposed to last year. I just kept it to our profit and loss because we do have our financials to present at this meeting for the year 2024. Our revenue was trending up which was good to see. Again, our costs also were trending up not quite as much as our revenue was trending up but overall, we are still running a shortfall of about \$25,000.00 consistently. So, we got to keep track and push our revenue streams as hard as we can and keep cutting out costs wherever we can.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade R. Charlet

**CARRIED**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:** Presented by Comrade Hazen

On behalf of Natalie, I am going to present. If you have had a chance to read the Executive meeting notes from the Auditor's report. I did put a Financial Statement on every table for you to look at. We cannot vote on this as we do not have a quorum. There is also a budget.

If anyone has any questions, I would be happy to give you Natalie's email and she will answer it.

I so move Comrade N. Danyi's report

Seconded by Comrade R. Charlet

**CARRIED**

**WAYS & MEANS:** Comrade Hazen

I am patiently waiting to see that in next few weeks we will get word on approval for our \$50,000 raffle from AGLC. We had an Ad Hoc Raffle committee meeting on March 21, to start strategizing raffle sales. I had sent a formal invitation to the President of the Ladies Auxiliary to attend this meeting, to ask to see if their group would like to work together to promote and sell Raffle Tickets. Unfortunately, Blondie was unable to make this meeting, but I will follow up with her on how we can all collaborate together on this initiative. I have started to make some promotional material and will continue to work with my committee to make certain this project is a success.

I have been in contact with Rig Hand Distillery and they have graciously offered the Kingsway Legion the ability to sell raffle tickets at the 3rd Annual Western Canadian Chainsaw Carving Competition, which they host every September! Usually there is a minimum of 10,000 spectators. I will continue to try to book some bigger events throughout the city this coming year to help facilitate our raffle sales. If you have business contacts or ideas on where you think we can sell tickets to large groups, please share with me or someone on our committee.

EPCOR has sent notification that they will not be sponsoring the Canada Day Celebration. No word to date from Labatt's for corporate sponsorship? I have sent out formal invitations to MP Ziad Aboutaif, MLA Heather Sweet and City Councilor Arron Paquette and all have replied and will be attending the Canada Day Celebration. I will soon start to canvas for free food products from prior sponsors and I have also requested medical coverage from St John Ambulance for this event.

The Horizon Grant for a total amount of \$22,096.00 came in, this grant will be going to update our Point Of Sales System, chairs and stage upgrades for the Maple Leaf and Wild Rose Rooms. Big thanks to Steve Criss for initiating this grant.

I am continuing to update the website, Facebook accounts and started to compile a data base of membership emails and other contacts to send out the Entertainment Newsletter each month. Our branch will be planning a share and cooperation session with all the Committee League Presidents in the North East District; this is to network and to promote capacity building.

If you are willing and want to help with the Raffle Project, please let me know as all are welcome to participate, we will need a lot of volunteers to make this project a success. I promise we will try to have fun at events and remember every ticket sold will help to keep the Kingsway Legion viable.

Just a reminder for everyone that I will be out of the area for the May long weekend and the first week of June.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade E. MacIntosh

**CARRIED**

**MEMBERSHIP:** Comrade C. Wills

**MEMBERSHIP:** Comrade C. Wills reported that we have 1306 members for 2024 - 2025 in good standing.

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate	Life Members
486	495	300	25

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade R. Charlet

**CARRIED**

**NEW MEMBERS:** Comrade C. Wills

19 New Applications   7 Transfers   0 Reinstatement

**New Members**

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate
Kuhn, Kathryne	Tallman, Laura N.	Jorginson, Elaine D
Weir, Michael	Honrada, Evelyn	Jorginson, Dennis A.
	Nelson, Sherry	Moore, Loretta
	Lechky, Gloria	Manson, Wesley
	Trembley, Gilbert	Peets, Joanne
	DeRudder, Kim	Scalzo, Antonio
	Price, Denise	Stevens, Dennis B. (Barney)
	Gallant, Debbie	
	Vandermeer, Lucille	
	Videsjarden, Diane	

**Transfer**

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate
Burchholz, Stephen Dominion Br 015	Rivard, Jennie B. Dominion Br 015	Reid, Joanne E. Dominion Br 015
Dore, Anthony Grande Prairie Br 54	Klepachek, Michael R. Dominion Br 015	
Oates, Kirk Mt. Arrowsmith Br 49 BC/Yukon Command		

**Reinstatements - 0**

For a total of 26

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade J. Guillemette

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Comrades Simon/Hanzen

No report

**SPORTS:** Comrade W. Hyshka

No report

**BUILDING & GROUNDS:** Comrade Torrie

Routine maintenance carried out during this period. The parking lot was plowed once. Both boilers went down at the same time, the week of 10 March, therefore Nordic was called in to find

and resolve the problem. Dial Lock was called in to adjust Fire Door # 4 and 3 Indoors latches that wouldn't open properly. No invoices have been submitted to Branch to date. Exactly two weeks after the boilers got fixed, they went down again and they were repaired last week.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade R. Charlet

**CARRIED**

**HISTORIAN:** Comrades Etmanski/S. Danyi

No report

**Veteran of the Month** – Comrade J. Hazen

Captain Nichola Kathleen Sarah Goddard, MSM, was a distinguished Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) officer who made history as the first female Canadian soldier killed in combat while serving in Afghanistan. Her bravery, leadership, and dedication to her mission earned her national recognition and several honours.

Born on May 2, 1980, in Madang, Papua New Guinea, Nichola Goddard grew up in Canada, developing a passion for service and leadership. She attended the Royal Military College of Canada (RMC) in Kingston, Ontario, where she excelled in academics and military training. Upon graduation, she was commissioned as an artillery officer in the Canadian Army.

Captain Goddard was deployed to Afghanistan in 2006 as part of Operation Athena, serving with the 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. She was assigned to Task Force Afghanistan as a forward observation officer, providing critical artillery support to Canadian and coalition forces.

On May 17, 2006, Captain Goddard was leading a team in the Panjwayi district of Kandahar Province during an intense battle against Taliban insurgents. While coordinating artillery and air support for ground forces, she was killed by a rocket-propelled grenade (RPG) attack. She was the first female Canadian combat soldier to die in action.

For her courage and service, Captain Goddard was posthumously awarded the Meritorious Service Medal (MSM), recognising her exceptional dedication and leadership in Afghanistan. Her sacrifice also led to several tributes, including:

- The Captain Nichola Goddard Fund, supporting programs for women and Indigenous youth.
- Nichola Goddard Middle School in Calgary, Alberta.
- The Nichola Goddard Leadership Award, which supports young leaders in the armed forces.

Captain Nichola Goddard's legacy continues to inspire Canadians, particularly women in the military. Her service demonstrated unwavering dedication, courage, and leadership, making her one of Canada's most honoured female veterans.

I so move Comrade S. Danyi's report.  
Seconded by Comrade E. MacIntosh

**CARRIED**

**SICK & VISTING:** Comrade Wiebe

No report

**ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS:** Comrade S. Criss

March has been a busy month at the Legion, having meetings with the entertainment committee to continue planning events and while attendance at our weekend dances has been lower, but we've seen an increase in liquor and food sales. This indicates that those who do attend are enjoying the atmosphere, services and hospitality. We will continue this Band Rotation Format for up to the Second Quarter 2025 (June), then reevaluate the future plans. We have seen an increase on the Thursday night Band Jams from the patrons that use to go to the weekend canteen due to the type of bands we are bringing in on the weekends. This is a positive cause patrons are not leaving somewhere else but going to the type of music they like throughout the venue is providing.

We've made some exciting changes to our entertainment strategy. The hallway board has been updated, and we've added an **Upcoming Marquee for Bands**, which is generating excitement among our performers and members. The Photo Booth Backdrops are causing some excitement during special dates like Valentines and St. Patty's Day. These are donated at this time from our Member Cheryl Taylor which is on our Entertainment Committee. Our **KWL Entertainment Buzz Email** Newsletter is effectively spreading the word, helping to showcase our venue as a lively and vibrant place to not only membership but other venues as well.

On the marketing front, we've produced a **KWL Entertainment Commercial** to highlight our events and are currently working on a **Membership Commercial and a Venue Commercial**. This was done Free of Charge (Joe Luce and Grant Cree) These will be featured on social media (Facebook), our website, and potentially even on TV. Please share this commercial to all your friends. Stay tuned for more details on these projects.

Extreme Music Bingo: Seems to be a continued Hit but the Dryness & Static seems to wreak havoc on electronics. Continuing to trouble shoot this issue. May require a Humidifier and a static matt.

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### **March:**

- Weekend Juno Lounge Bands/Entertainers. Friday & Saturdays
- Friday March 28 - Family Movie Night Maple Leaf Room
- Thursday Night Band Jams (Bill O'Brien)

#### **April:**

- Ukrainian Dinner & Dance April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (Jackie Hyshka)

- Weekend Juno Lounge Bands/Entertainers. Friday & Saturdays
- 2025 Stanley Cup Playoffs START Saturday April 19th. (Watch Parties)
- Wednesday Night Comedy (Wildrose Room) (TBD)
- Thursday Night Band Jams (Bill O'Brien)
- Extreme Music Bingo (TBD)

**Future Upcoming Events to Mention:**

- **May 11** Mother Day TEA (Ron & Carol Wills)
- Car Rally Scavenger Hunt (Father's Day Weekend) **Date TBD!**

**Either Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> or Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup>.**

- **Friday June 27, 2025 - Jason Scott's Diamond Forever Tribute to Neil Diamond Show!**
  - Community League Showcase Trade Show (September 2025) TBD
  - FUN Money Casino (TBD)
  - Golf Tournament 2025 or 2026 (TBD)

Thank you to everyone who continues to contribute to our success—your dedication keeps the Legion strong and thriving. Let's keep building on this momentum!

I so move Comrade Luce's report.  
Seconded by Comrade Torrie

**CARRIED**

## Master Function Budget Checklist

Date: 15-Mar-25

Event Name: Extreme Musical Bingo

Event Date(s) 15-Mar-25

Organizers/Committee: Entertainment

Eventbrite Sales	\$ 153.18
Door Sales	\$ 537.00
50/50 Sales	\$ 190.00
Popcorn	\$ 104.00
Food Sales	\$ 948.18
Liquor Sales	\$ 957.05
Donation	\$ 100.00
<b>Total Sources of Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 2,989.41</b>

### Expenses (Both Cash and Cash Equivalent Values)

Food	\$ 316.06
Liquor Cost	\$ 319.02
Staff	\$ 300.00
Prizes	\$ 160.00
Printing	\$ 54.00
	\$ -
	\$ -
	\$ -
<b>Total Direct Costs</b>	<b>\$ 1,149.08</b>

### Indirect Costs

Enter Last Month's Utility & Building Costs



Enter Total Number of Hours of Event

Total Indirect Costs

Total Expenses

Total Profit/Loss

\$	-
\$	1,149.08
\$	1,840.33

**WEEKLY DANCES:** Comrade O'Brien

	<b>February 20</b>	<b>February 27</b>	<b>March 6</b>	<b>March 13</b>	<b>March 20</b>
Number of Tickets:	45	70	62	33	
Cost Per Guest	\$ 450.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 620.00	\$ 330.00	
Bar					
Sales	\$ 395.19	\$ 500.33	\$ 505.58	\$ 269.29	
50/50 Raffle	\$ 55.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 40.00	
<b>Total Sources of Funds</b>	<b>\$ 900.19</b>	<b>\$ 1,285.33</b>	<b>\$ 1,195.58</b>	<b>\$ 639.29</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Food	\$ 74.22	\$ 69.00	\$ 79.57	\$ 40.93	
Bar Expenses	\$ 56.19	\$ 96.07	\$ 87.35	\$ 47.93	
Staff	\$ 115.50	\$ 115.50	\$ 115.50	\$ 115.50	\$ 115.50
Printing	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Appreciation Prize	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Artist Fees	\$ 300.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Name of Band					
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 590.91</b>	<b>\$ 725.57</b>	<b>\$ 727.42</b>	<b>\$ 649.36</b>	<b>\$ 560.50</b>
<b>Total Income</b>					
<b>Total Profit/Loss</b>	<b>\$ 309.28</b>	<b>\$ 559.76</b>	<b>\$ 468.16</b>	<b>-\$ 10.07</b>	Number of Tickets:

I so move my report  
Seconded by Comrade J. Guillemette

**CARRIED**

**POPPY:** Comrade D. MacIntosh

We are still trying to work out what Command wants for us. We are still seeing veterans as usual. We are still trying to process everything. Just trying to wind our way through what their new rules are without them providing us any processes to follow. So, we are still working on it. That is all I got for you today.

I so move my report.  
Seconded by Comrade Foote

**CARRIED**

**SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT:** Comrade Walsh

I have completed 1 request for Poppy Fund assistance.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade J. Hyshka

**CARRIED**

**HONOURS & AWARDS:** Comrade Torrie

No report

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Comrade J. Hyshka

No report

**CADET LIAISON OFFICER:** Comrade Criss

On March 18, I visited the 180 RCACC . On that evening, they had 31 cadets present for the training.

All cadets were practicing drill as they will have drill competition coming up next month. They will have the ACR (annual command review) parade on the June, 14 2025. They sent their request for the legion medal for the best cadet of the year and they would like a confirmation of reception for the request at our office. Also, they made me aware of the change of the name for the cheque, parent's supporting committee of 180 had been change to COPRS SUPPORT COMMITTEE OF 180 RCACC.

I so move my report, Comrade Jocelyn Guillemette CD, MFR.

Had a grate visit at the sqn.

The are at 96 members with 8 more applicants in waiting.

They are wondering if the legion could use some help. They having a citizenship day and are willing to come out and help. The day is on APRIL 12 2025. An answer ASAP.

Phone the sqn at 780-991-3113

2 cadets have been picked for the flying scholarship. Both are doing well.

WO Marques has been nominated for the legion medal.

I so move Comrade Zech's report, Comrade S. Criss

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade C. Wills

**CARRIED**

**SGT-AT-ARMS:** Comrade L. Foote

The Honour Guard will be present at a Celebration of Life at Evergreen Funeral Home on 29 Mar 2025.

As per the Executive Minutes of March 18, 2025 with the following addendum

Last Post

John Pimsent	94	01 Mar 2025	Ordinary
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I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade C. Simon

**CARRIED**

**LADIES AUXILIARY:** Madam J. Hyshka

I have been keeping busy in February and March.

February 20 went to the monthly birthday party at Kipnes

February 25 worked the bingo at Kensington for the Branch

March 7 honour guard for a celebration of life

March 12 bingo at Kensington for the Branch

March 19 attended the 504 Cadets Chinthe Parade, accompanied by Eldean Baskerville

The ladies are busy getting ready for our annual Spring bake sale and Raffle to be held on April 12. There will also be a ham and turkey meat draw.

I so move Madame B. Charlet's report

Seconded by Comrade Hazen

**CARRIED**

**LEST WE FORGET:** Comrade R. Torrie

The Lest We Forget concert has been scheduled for November 4 at Kingsway Legion and November 5 at Kipnes. They are also looking to find a site on the Southside of the river but have not yet done so.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Zech

**CARRIED**

**KIPNESS CENTRE:** Comrade K. Deugau

No report

**Comment from Comrade R. Charlet**

I think this was in the last set of Minutes about Joe's attachment on the end of his emails, I am just wondering why all that stuff is there and can you get an answer to that as he is not here again this month.

Comrade Etmanski – that is the rest of his title that he's got everything underneath. Entertainment Chair should be removed as it has nothing to do with the Legion. It is advertising for him. I will follow up with Joe on that.

**VETERAN'S VILLA:** Comrade P. Earles

No report

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Comrade R. Etmanski

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Comrade Greg - I would like to bring up an incident that happened at a dance function held here a couple of weeks ago. Someone had contacted the Edmonton Police Service and told them a friend of mine was drunk and driving home. The police were waiting for my friend at their residence. They knew my friend's name and car. After the police spoke to my friend and getting the facts and did not lay any charges. I like everyone else do not condone drinking and driving. So, if you feel someone has had too much to drink, speak directly to them or to the bartender. We don't need people think that they are being watched or they will stay away. I like everyone else come here to socialize and have a good time. The events held here and the use of the Canteen are our precious life blood. Brothers and Sisters lets have each others backs.

**RESOLUTIONS FOR CONVENTION:**

Comrade J. Hyshka - I had hoped to have these passed tonight so I could send them in so they could in the Convention Manual. So, for information purposes only:

**RESOLUTION #1**

**SUBJECT: Resolution for Amendment to the Royal Canadian Legion – Poppy Manual**

**WHEREAS** the annual Poppy Campaign is the most important Branch project of the year and it must be conducted by a committee dedicated to this purpose (s. 301);

**WHEREAS** the Royal Canadian Legion – Poppy Manual provides guidance on the requirements and responsibilities associated with the oversight of the Poppy Campaign and management of Poppy Trust Funds;

**WHEREAS** it is the responsibility of each Branch President to ensure that Poppy Trust Funds are accounted for in accordance with Section 1102 – 1104 and Section 1206 of the General By-Laws (s.208.f.);

**WHEREAS** the Poppy Manual - Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds (s. 402) details that contact be made with Provincial Command when unsure of approved uses of Poppy Trust Funds;

**WHEREAS** the Poppy Manual – Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds (s.402 c.) provides details as to “reasonable local administrative costs associated with the Poppy Campaign”;

**WHEREAS** the clarification and additional guidance for administrative expense management for ongoing Poppy Trust Fund management would support efficient and effective management of the Poppy Trust Funds by the Branches and the Poppy and Remembrance Day Committee(s);

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The Poppy Manual – Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds (s.402) be amended to include:

**402.ix Poppy Trust Fund Administration**

Reasonable administrative expenses not to exceed 2% of the Poppy Trust Funds held on deposit as of September 30<sup>th</sup> (prior to the start of the Poppy Campaign) may be utilized for the ongoing administrative expenses for management of Poppy Trust Funds throughout the year that are incurred by and for the Poppy and Remembrance Day Committee.

Any assets purchased to support the management of Poppy Trust Funds will be clearly identified as Poppy Trust Fund assets and be available/accessible to Poppy and Remembrance Day personnel and the Branch Service Officer(s) to support veteran requests and Command submissions.

**RESOLUTION #2**

**SUBJECT:** Inclusion of the Indigenous Poppy Pin in the approved Poppy promotional materials from Command.

Canada’s Indigenous people have a long history of military service, from the time of the American Revolution to the modern era. Joseph Brant fought alongside the Loyalists to prevent the spread of the revolution into what is now Canada. Four generations later, his great-great-grandson, Lt. Cameron Brandt died in the battle at Ypres. Down through the years, such heroes as Tecumseh, who died in 1813 at the Battle of the Thames, George McLean, a veteran of the Boer War who was wounded in heroic action at Vimy Ridge, and World War II and Korean Veteran Tommy Prince, recipient of the Military Medal and the Silver Star, exemplify the commitment to principles that are essential to the fabric of Canadian Society today. The Royal Canadian Legion is honoured to recognize the contributions of today’s Indigenous Members of the Canadian Forces as well as their ancestors.

The Royal Canadian Legion has chosen to recognize Canada’s Indigenous Veterans and the significant contribution they have made through our long history and that they continue to make

today. This commemorative pin presents the Legion Poppy on the centre of a dreamcatcher, their coupling acknowledging the efforts and sacrifices of Veterans from all of our Indigenous Communities

**WHEREAS:** the annual Poppy Campaign is the most important Branch project of the year and it must be conducted by a committee dedicated to this purpose(s. 301);

**WHEREAS:** the Poppy Manual- Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds(s 402) details that contact be made with Provincial Command When unsure of approved uses of Poppy Trust Funds;

**WHEREAS:** the Poppy Manual- Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds(s 402 i Campaign a) details the purchase of Command approved Poppies, wreaths, a ribbon machine and ribbon supplies, canvassing supplies and promotional materials for the annual Poppy Campaign.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** the Poppy Manual- Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds(s 402 i Campaign a) be amended to include the Indigenous Poppy Pins.

The inclusion of these pins will show respect to the Indigenous Veterans and allow for a possible increase in Poppy revenue. The sale of these pins during the Poppy Campaign will not deter from the original Poppy as many veterans, members and the general public wear both during the Remembrance/Poppy Campaign time frame.

### **RESOLUTION #3**

**SUBJECT:** Payment terminal (debit machine) for exclusive use of the Poppy Campaign  
This would be a benefit to the Poppy Campaign as most people have moved away from writing cheques and do not tend to carry cash. A payment terminal will allow for donations to be made in any denomination the donor chooses and not be limited to the \$2, \$5, and \$10 choices available on the tap machines. Wreath payments are easily processed through a payment terminal as well. Payments made this way are confirmed instantly avoiding the wait time for cheques to clear and allowing for receipts to be issued immediately for those Poppy organizations or Legions with a CRA Tax receipt capability.

**WHEREAS:** the annual Poppy Campaign is the most important Branch project of the year and it must be conducted by a committee dedicated to this purpose (s. 301);

**WHEREAS:** the Poppy Manual- Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds (s 402) details that contact be made with Provincial Command when unsure of approved uses of Poppy Trust Funds;

**WHEREAS:** the Poppy Manual- Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds (s 402 c) reads: reasonable local administrative costs associated with the Poppy Campaign. These local costs are those directly related to the campaign such as telephone charges, coin wrappers, postage, stationary, advertising, bank charges and transaction fees for fees associated with Poppy related transactions. No expense related to the rental or purchase of a POS machine is allowed as these are not expenses that would be exclusive to the Poppy Campaign.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** the Poppy Manual- Approved Use of Poppy Trust Funds(s 402 c) be amended to include payment terminals/debit machines and associated fees provided the terminal is for the exclusive use of deposits to the Poppy Trust Fund Account.

## **DELEGATES FOR CONVENTION**

Comrade R. Etmanski – At our last General Meeting I brought forward that because of the size of our Legion we can have up to 15 voting delegates and I asked at that time the people to come forward who wanted to participate in that to get their name in. Everybody in this room has until 4:00 pm tomorrow to provide their name if they wish to be a delegate and once we have our final numbers, we will decide as to gets to go.

The item that may interest a lot that are thinking about going is that each individual will be paying their own registration, including the President, which is \$60 to be a delegate. If you are interested in paying the \$60 and being a delegate, make sure your name gets put on the list at the front desk by 4:00 pm tomorrow because we are sending our delegates list in Thursday afternoon. We have to have it in by Monday but want to send it in on Thursday so they can't say they did not get it.

Comrade Simon – how many delegates do you have already

Comrade Etmanski – I don't have all the names but I have some names right now. The more names we have, then we will decide who the 15 are going to be. I don't want to give a number now and then somebody say well you already have your 15 so why would I bother putting my name in.

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

Comrade R. Charlet – it seems that some of the Executive when giving their reports now are just saying as per the Executive Minutes. Which is all well and clear but we don't read the Executive Minutes. If you could at least highlight your reports if you don't want to read the whole thing that might be appreciated might not get caught like he did tonight.

Comrade C. Wills – I'm just going to take a minute to kind of allude towards Greg's statement which he gave which was a very unfair statement to that particular person. In the last six months since this new Executive has been happening, I have never heard so much complaining and whining and picking on somebody else, spreading false rumors and gossiping. We are not in high school anymore, and this is getting ridiculous. Where you come in and all you got is someone is so and so doesn't like me, I'm going to put a recording on that. So just think about what you are saying before you start spreading these vicious rumors.

Comrade R. Etmanski – one note further on that a lot of the people doing the whining and complaining are obviously not in this room and have no intention of coming. So, keep that in mind too. We are not blaming the people that are sitting here.

Comrade R. Wills – if you are going to complain -at least use your own name and not somebody else's.



## **DRAWS**

50/50 # 095757    Winner: Terry Zeck  
Amount: \$35.00

The next General Meeting will be on May 27, 2025

**Motion:** To adjourn was made by Comrade R. Wills

The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 P.M

 Rick Etmanski President Kingsway Branch #175	 Jackie Hyshka Executive Secretary Kingsway Branch #175
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