

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175**  
**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY 18 MAY 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, R. Torrie, Criss, Etmanski, Biddiscombe, Forner, MacIntosh

**Excused:** Comrade Rayfield (medical), Kuervers (work), Earles (work), Earles (work), Werner (vacation), Wiebe (medical)

**Absent:**

**Guests:**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>LAST POST</u>	<u>DECEASED</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>
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**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:**

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

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING DATED 20 APRIL 2021:**

**Motion:** To accept the minutes was made by Comrade Forner  
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 Etmanski

**CARRIED**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FINANCIAL CHAIRMAN:** Comrade Kuervers - No Report

**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 18 May 21

The second online 50/50 was drawn on May 8<sup>th</sup> for a total of \$2,680. The winner of the raffle is Lynda Gadoury from Czar Alberta winning \$1,340. The next round of the 50/50 will start on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

The proceeds from the online 50/50 will go to help secure other grants such as the CFEP grant and such where we need to have matching funds.

During the last farmers Market on May 8<sup>th</sup> did up a quick one-day 50/50 where we sold \$160.00 in tickets sales, not bad for the weather and lock down restrictions. Tickets was same idea as 50/50 where we had 3 different sets to buy. Going forward will be trying it out at the farmers market and will be dropping it to 2 sets, 2 for \$5.00 or 10 for \$10.00 and see how that goes.

As for Bingos news from AGLC looks like no more in person bingos till late fall to early 2022 so we will be still proceeding with the virtual bingos till then. Once our turn comes up will need 2 volunteers for the evening, otherwise still shut down till phase 3 of covid reopening's.

For any other fundraising ideas please call me at 780 278 1263 or email me at [steve.criss@kingswaylegion.ca](mailto:steve.criss@kingswaylegion.ca)

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

**CARRIED**

**MEMBERSHIP:** Comrade C. Wills reported that we have 1022 members in good standing

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate	Life Members
<b>418</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>27</b>

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

**CARRIED**

**NEW MEMBERS:** New Applications                      Transfers                      Reinstatement

<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>Associate</u>	<u>Affiliate</u>
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**TRANSFERS**

<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>Associate</u>	<u>Affiliate</u>
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## REINSTATEMENTS

Ordinary

Associate

Affiliate

For a total of

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

Seconded by Comrade

**CARRIED**

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade

**CARRIED**

**New Members Who Signed a Declaration:** None

**PUBLICITY:** Comrade Wills reported

Website had 292 visitors this month and was last updated 18 May 2021.

I am currently working on the June Newsletter; if you want something added I must have it by next; Tuesday May 23.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Ferguson

**CARRIED**

**SPORTS:** Comrade Ferguson – No Report

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** Comrade R. Torrie reported the fire inspection has been completed and they will send in their report.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

**CARRIED**

**HISTORIAN:** Comrade Deugau reported The Loyal Edmonton Regiment display will be going up May 29. The current display will be taken down beforehand. The legion display will follow.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Torrie

**CARRIED**

**SICK AND VISITING:** Comrade Wiebe – No Report

**ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS:** Comrade Rayfield - No Report

**POPPY:** Presented by Comrade Biddiscombe – No report

**POPPY TRUSTEE REPORT: Comrade Wills**

**Poppy Trustee Report:**

**YTD 2020**

Veterans or their Dependents: 56 Clients for \$28,980.23

Medical \$5,001.00

Food Vouchers \$5,300.00

Other Vouchers \$184.80

Emergency Vouchers \$95.00

Misc- Life Call, Travel \$2,589.10

Rent \$6,000.00

Client Utilities \$1,810.73

Bursaries: \$8,000 / eight Students

**Current Balance: \$ 1,133,889**

**2021 Poppy Campaign Working Group**

We are currently looking into new ideas on how to promote the 100 anniversary of the Poppy and how to improve our donation levels.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS:** Comrade Ferguson I have given everyone a copy of the Notice of Motion which will be presented to the General Membership when we can have a meeting. These are for your perusal and any questions we can try to answer.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Forner

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

I will move or cause to be moved the following amendments to the Kingsway Branch 175 Bylaws.

As it reads now:

Page 4 Article VI Section 6.4(b) The Returning Officers shall ensure the ballot box is always locked and sealed and remains so until voting on General Election days as provided in Section 6.01 of this By-Laws is concluded.

To delete in its entirety.

Page 5 Article VII Section 7.1(a) When due to the lack of a quorum at any General Meeting, proposals for the expenditures of monies for the benefit of the Branch cannot be dealt with and approved by the /General Membership at the next properly constituted General Meeting.

To delete in its entirety

Page 9 Article XII Section 12.1 All officers, members, and staff who handle Branch funds shall be covered by a blanket bond, except those persons with financial authority, shall be individually bonded for the amount not less than \$100,000.00. The cost of bonding shall be borne by the Branch. No two (2) family members (which includes Common Law spouse) shall have signing authority.

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Page 9 Article XII Section 12.2 c reads: To attain eligible delegate status, a member must have attended four (4) General and/or Executive Meetings and one each of District 2 and Area B rallies in the calendar year immediately prior to the Convention call and be a member in good standing.

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Reason behind the changes:

Section 6.4 (a)

Moving to delete this paragraph as we do not have ballot boxes anymore since we now do our elections at our General Meeting in November.

Section 7.1 (a) Our quorum is “those members present in good standing” so this paragraph is not needed.

Section 12.1 Delete the last sentence because it is already written in the Article X Section 10.7 on page 7.

Section 12.2 (c) we now only have one Area B rally so if a member is unable to attend the spring rally, then they are not eligible to be a delegate at Convention.

The Motion has been presented and will be discussed at the next Executive Meeting on 22 June 2021.

**HONOURS & AWARDS:** Comrade Fecteau – No report

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Comrade C. Wills – no report  
I so move the correspondence.

**CADET LIAISON OFFICER:** Comrade Criss- No report

**SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT:** Comrade Earles  
I have completed two requests for Poppy Fund assistance.

I so move my report.  
Seconded by Comrade Torrie

**CARRIED**

**SGT-AT-ARMS:** Comrade Etmanski – No Report

**MANAGER'S REPORT:** No report

**LADIES AUXILARY:** Comrade K. Earles – no report

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Comrade Fecteau  
Finally, there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Covid19 figures are down, and it appears that some of the restrictions will be lifted.  
Ron Wills, Gary Forner and Steve Criss have done an excellent job acquiring grants to keep the Branch financially viable. Good work comrades.  
We received the Convention call for the 48<sup>th</sup> Dominion Convention to be held virtually 13-15 August 2021. Delegates will be selected at our Executive meeting or if restrictions are lifted at our next general meeting.  
Your executive continues to be active and available to serve our veterans in need and to renew memberships Monday to Saturday 1100am to 3:00  
Till next time be safe.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

**CARRIED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A) Class Action Lawsuit – Insurance Coverage for Business Interruption – ongoing
- B) 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - progress

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Convention Call out – Comrade Fecteau asked if all Executive received the email and asked if there were any Executives wishing to be delegates and who would like to observe. The fee for delegates is \$30.00 per person and \$10 for observers. We will be setting up the virtual meeting in the main ballroom.

Delegates:

Comrade Fecteau	Comrade Torrie
Comrade R. Wills	Comrade Ferguson
Comrade C. Wills	Comrade Criss
Comrade Deugau	

Observers

Comrade Etmanski

Any member may put forward their name for either delegate or observer. Please contact Comrade Fecteau.


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

**Motion:** To adjourn was made by Comrade Criss

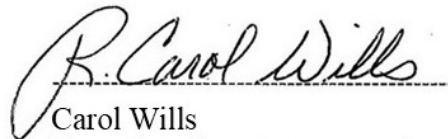
The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Next Meeting: 22 June 2021 at 7:00 pm



Wm Bill Fecteau  
President  
Kingsway Legion Branch # 175



Carol Wills  
Executive Secretary  
Kingsway Legion Branch # 175