

**THE NAVY LEAGUE OF CANADA
OTTAWA BRANCH
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
MAY 10, 2021**

Those present:

Bruce Brown
Peter Christie
Jim Cummings
Karen Duval
Richard Duval
Robert Lafrance
Byron Liang
Jason O'Dale
Gerry Powell
Anne Seigmiller
Roland Vaillancourt
Marc Viau

There being a quorum present, the President called the meeting to order at 1904. The meeting was held via BlueJeans video conferencing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Approval of the agenda
Viau/Powell

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting April 12, 2021 as amended
O'Dale/Viau

Review of action items

Gerry Powell presented a review of the updated list of open action items. There are no significant changes to report.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORTS

RCSCC Falkland

The C/O Robert Lafrance presented the report. Fortress shows a total strength of 133 cadets. We are parading 85 cadets on a weekly basis. Entries from cadets to commemorate the Battle of the Atlantic were posted on Facebook and Instagram pages. On April 21 we hosted a virtual visit by Commander Rochon, the Commanding Officer of HMCS Halifax which is currently deployed on Operation Reassurance. Commander Rochon is a former Chief of RCSCC Falkland. We have selected our recipients for this year's awards and promotions which will take place on June 2. The Annual Ceremonial Review will be held on June 8. I successfully completed the first ever virtual Commanding Officer's course on May 8.

O'Dale/Vaillancourt

NLCC vice Admiral Kingsmill

The C/O Bruce Brown presented the report. Current strength is 54 cadets. Goggle classroom training continues. A special presentation involving cadets was held to commemorate the Battle of the Atlantic. We will hold a promotion parade on May 30 and our Annual Inspection will be held on June 13.

O'Dale/Viau

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

President - Karen Duval

Attended the successful Spring CCC with the XO of Falkland. 71 people attended. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on June 23, and reports are due to the Secretary by June 16. Marc has the report template used last year and will distribute to all required.

O'Dale/Duval K.

Vice President Sea Cadets - Jason O'Dale

Complimented the President on the manner in which the recent CCC meeting was held.

O'Dale/Duval K.

Vice President Navy League Cadets - Bernadette Green

No report

Treasurer - Gerry Powell

Presented a new series of financial reports which presents the current state of our financial situation in a clear manner. Statements are attached to this minutes file for the record.

Powell/O'Dale

Secretary - Peter Christie

No report

PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Boats and Sailing - Richard Duval

Discussed the disposition of the old Boston whaler.

MOVED "That an amount up to \$175 be granted to assist with the moving of the old Boston whaler for purposes of dispossession."

Powell/Duval R.

Transportation of the Howard to Dow's Lake is planned for next month.

Insurance for the new Zodiac is being scheduled. Lettering for the sides of the Zodiac are planned for. Discussion continued over the provision of a portable shelter for the summer season.

Communications - Marc Viau

Has met with staff from Parenting Times magazine to present details of the cadet movement for a possible article. In addition to sitting on the Board of the Ontario Division, I now sit on the Communications Committee for the National Board. I have also been selected as the Area Rep for the Kingston/Napanee area. Their CCC meetings need some work. The Falkland history project is still a work in progress.

Viau/Powell

Community Engagement - Anne Seigmiller

Presented a brief update on her portfolio. Needs updated email addresses.

Seigmiller/Cummings

IT/Network Management - Byron Liang

No report

Membership - Vacant

Property - Leslie Markey

No report

Scholarships and Awards - Jim Cummings

Has contacted eight potential applicants for scholarships. These have to be submitted to the National Office by mid-June. Announced that the Division President, Admiral Bennett, has formally approved the one-year extension for Karen Duval's position as President of the Ottawa Branch.

Cummings/Powell

Tag Days - Travis Cameron

No report

Volunteer Screening - Nadine Logan

No report

There being no New Business, the meeting was adjourned at 2045.

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting on June 23. Details to come.