

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

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
NOVEMBER 08, 2021**

THOSE PRESENT:

Bruce Brown
Peter Christie
Jim Cummings
Steven Drury
Robert Desnoyer
Karen Duval
Byron Liang
Jason O'Dale
Gerry Powell
Roland Vaillancourt
Marc Viau

There being a quorum present, The President called the meeting to order at 1902. The meeting was held via BlueJeans video conferencing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Powell/Viau

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OCTOBER 12, 2021

Viau/Cummings

COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORTS

RCSCC FALKLAND

As the new Commanding Officer, Lt. Robert Desnoyer gave the report. Current strength is 140 cadets. There are 20 new entries. 12 cadets have been involved with poppy sales in support of the Legion. Plans are underway to have a small contingent of 9 cadets and an officer in uniform at The National War Memorial on November 11. Cadets are permitted to attend specific school functions in uniform on November 11. All cadets must be "double vaxed". Training at Connaught Range that was cancelled recently due to inclement weather has been rescheduled for later this month. In person training at HMCS Carleton for small groups continues.

O'Dale/Powell

NLCC VICE ADMIRAL KINGSMILL

Lt(NL) Bruce Brown gave the report. Current strength is 59 cadets. Google classroom training continues. Halloween contests were held and three winners were presented with prizes. A new Coxswain and RPO have been chosen. Four cadets and an officer will attend the National service of remembrance on November 11. As these cadets have not had the opportunity yet to receive Covid-19 shots, special dispensation has been granted by the National and Division presidents to participate on this occasion. It is hoped to return to in-person training at HMCS Carleton early in the new year.

O'Dale/Viau

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

PRESIDENT

Karen reported that routine matters were under control. A uniform exchange for Kingsmill cadets will be held - outside - in early December.

Duval K./Powell

VICE PRESIDENT SEA CADETS

No report

VICE PRESIDENT NAVY LEAGUE CADETS

No report

TREASURER

Gerry presented several statements on screen for all to see. These included the Statement of Position and the Income Statement of Net Worth. As expense are minimal and income slowly climbs, our Net Worth is still in a healthy position.

Powell/Cummings

SECRETARY

No report

PORTFOLIO REPORTS

BOATS AND SAILING

Karen reported that all equipment stored at HMCS Carleton was now more securely held in their compound. Information is being collected to support the acquisition of new canoes as the lead time may be as much as a year.

Duval K./O'Dale

COMMUNICATIONS

Marc reported that preparations for Remembrance Day are continuing. He asked that consideration be given to quickly re-activating the planning committee for the Time Capsule. Discussion was held on the upkeep of our website, and the possible change to the WordPress program to enable easier use. The decision is pending.

Viau/O'Dale

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

No report

IT/NETWORK MANAGEMENT

Byron offered to assist Marc in any conversion to the WordPress program. Some discussion was held regarding the use of MTeams and cloud-based storage for recording of meetings.

Liang/Powell

MEMBERSHIP

No report

PROPERTY

No report

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

No report

TAG DAYS

No report

VOLUNTEER SCREENING

Roland reported that he was up to date based on the information that he has received. Several members of the Board of Directors have yet to report to the President regarding their VSS and Covid-19 vaccination status.

Vaillancourt/Christie

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 13.

The meeting was adjourned at 2026.