

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

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
JUNE 13, 2022**

**THOSE PRESENT:**

Bruce Brown  
Peter Christie  
Jim Cummings  
Robert Desnoyers  
Steve Drury  
Karen Duval  
Richard Duval  
Byron Liang  
Anne Seigmiller  
Roland Vaillancourt

There being a quorum present, the President called the meeting to order at 1905. The meeting was held via BlueJeans video conferencing due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Drury/Seigmiller

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING APRIL 11, 2022**

Cummings/Drury

**COMMANDING OFFICER REPORTS**

**RCSCC FALKLAND**

Lt(N) Desnoyers reported a strength of 103 on Fortress. The Annual Ceremonial Review was held on June 4. The Inspecting Officer was Commodore Jason Armstrong. There were 65 cadets on parade. All summer training applications have been submitted, but decisions on when and where training will take place are still to be made. Several courses have already been cancelled due to lack of staff.

Vaillancourt/Cummings

## **NLCC VICE ADMIRAL KINGSMILL**

Lt(NL) Brown reported total strength at 50. The Annual Ceremonial Review was held on June 12. The Inspecting Officer was Commodore Jason Armstrong. There were 25 cadets on parade. A group of Kingsmill cadets will attend a ceremony at the Senate chambers later this month as part of the 75th anniversary of the St. John Ambulance in Canada. A discussion regarding the significant difference between the listed strength and the number on parade for the ACR - for both corps - was determined to be due to the strict DND rules that persons attending their facilities **must be vaccinated**. Uniformed personnel of all ranks must still wear masks.  
Drury/Vaillancourt

The President stated that two new Board positions would be filled. Roland Vaillancourt will assume the position of **Assistant Vice President Sea Cadets** and Steve Drury will assume the position of **Assistant Vice President Navy League Cadets**. The Navy League Cadet position had been approved on a motion in last month's meeting. As these new positions are not "executive", the section of the minutes formerly called "executive reports" will now be titled "administrative reports".

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**PRESIDENT** - Hearty congratulations to both Commanding Officers for the quality of the Annual Ceremonial Reviews recently held - particularly due to the short preparation time due to the Covid situation. The Inspecting Officer - Commodore Jason Armstrong in both cases - was very impressed. The President particularly noted the effort of Steve Drury in setting up a live video feed so that cadet parents could watch the ACRs. Figures indicate that almost all parents took advantage of this service. A meeting should be held soon with HMCS Carleton to compare notes on the activities planned for their 100th anniversaries next year. The Award for Service was presented to Jim Cummings as he was unable to attend the Kingsmill ACR.  
Duval K./Seigmiller

**VICE PRESIDENT SEA CADETS** - Absent

**ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT SEA CADETS** - No report

**VICE PRESIDENT NAVY LEAGUE CADETS** - Absent

**ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT NAVY CADETS** - Steve indicated that there were 60 on line for the Falkland ACR with 65 cadets on parade. Ontario Division has decided that there will be no summer camp activities for Navy League cadets this year.  
Drury/Seigmiller

**TREASURER** - absent

**SECRETARY** - No report

## **PORTFOLIO REPORTS**

**BOATS AND SAILING** - Richard outlined the state of readiness of both the Howard and the Zodiac. Both had performed well for both ACRs. Seasonal lock passes for the Rideau Canal system have been received. The prop guard for the Zodiac has been determined to be the wrong size. Discussion continued on alternatives. General consensus was that a prop guard is a necessity.

Duval R./Cummings

**Motion:**

**That up to \$500 be approved for the purchase of a correct Zodiac prop guard and a Zodiac cover.**

**Drury/Cummings**

**Carried**

**COMMUNICATIONS** - Absent

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** - No report

**IT/NETWORK MANAGEMENT** - No report

**MEMBERSHIP** - Vacant

**PROPERTY** - Absent

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS** - Jim reported that they were unable to arrange for in-person presentations of Scholarship awards at this year's ACR due primarily to Covid complications. An effort will be made to do this next year. Two \$1,000 National Navy League scholarships and eight \$500 Ottawa Branch scholarships have been awarded.

Cummings/Drury

**TAG DAYS** - Absent

**VOLUNTEER SCREENING** - No report

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The importance of planning for next years 100th Falkland anniversary was stated. Jim offered his office facilities to the establishment of hiring a Falkland cadet to assume some of the preparation duties. Anne Seigmiller volunteered to assume the leadership role on the planning group. A regular update on preparations will be presented at upcoming Board meetings.

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY AUGUST 29 VIA BLUE JEANS.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2040.