



# Meeting Minutes Monday February 19, 2018 Training Room Trites Rd. – 1900-2030

**Attendees:** Byron and Donalda Buie, Bob Everson, Chao Huang, Bill Hawryluk, Bob Juulsen Peter Lefroy, Dave Mellis, Jan and Les Muller, Cleve Pryde Jack Tang, Paul Vanderwood, Kathleen Vanderwood

**Regrets:** Dave and Willina Collins, Barb Dymond, Rick Easthom, Gouri Chinnappa, , Michael Li, Lucy Liu, Nan Lockie, Vidas Vitkus, Sherwin Wang, Meredith Williamson.

**Guests:** None

**Chair:** Peter Lefroy

**Minutes:** Meredith Williamson

#### Call to order - 1900 hrs

- 1) Roll Call Welcome to Bridge members
- 2) Previous Minutes Motion to Accept Dave Mellis; Seconded by Kathleen Vanderwood.
- 3) Business arising from previous minutes
  - None.

# 4) Officer Reports

a) Commanders report - (Peter Lefroy)

The following was sent by email:

Here we are with the boating season in sight and thoughts of getting the boat out from under it's winter layup and planning for the season ahead. With that in mind the cruising schedule has been decided and hopefully you all have it in your calendar and are planning on joining us on at least one cruise if not all of them.

The new computer system from CPS-ECP is still not up and running as they have run into a few snags. It is hoped that this will be functioning fairly quickly but no date has been definitely indicated.

The RVCC program is a go for another year and all Squadrons are encouraged to be as active as possible. Although the numbers have been somewhat down we should make an effort to do our part.

The Flare return day is on hold at the moment as funding for this programme has been withdrawn from the Federal Government. I know that there is a movement to hold a reduced version of this event but details are not forthcoming at this point in time.

Fraser Squadron along with Richmond Yacht Club will be hosting a presentation by Denis Barnett on Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> called "Rowing the Northwest Passage and bearing witness to climate change." I am told that this is a fascinating presentation ad I hope that we will have a large turnout. There will be a \$5.00 charge per person at the door,

We need to be looking forward to the AGM and Change of Watch in April so with that in mind I need you to tell me what your plans are for next year as far as the Bridge is concerned. I thank you for your efforts this year and hope that you will continue for next year. If anyone knows of someone who would like to volunteer in any capacity please encourage them to contact anyone on the Bridge.

# Respectfully submitted

b) Executive Officer - (Cleve Pryde)

No report.

c) Multicultural Officer - (Chao Huang)

Jack has information that he will share when he arrives.

d) Treasurer - (Meredith Williamson)

Bank balance as of Feb 19, 2018 - \$13,132.83

All invoices from CPS and PMD have been paid and are up to date.

I believe there are outstanding invoices from the Christmas party which have not yet been submitted by those who made purchases on behalf of the event.

Respectfully submitted.

# e) Membership Officer - (Vidas Vitkus) Absent f) Multicultural Membership Officer - (Michael Li) Absent. g) Secretary- (Gouri Chinnappa) Absent h) Education Officers - (Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood) The following was sent by email: i) Multicultural Training Officer - (Sherwin Wang) Absent. j) Admin Officer - (Barb Dymond) Absent. k) Multicultural Communications - (Lucy Liu) Absent. I) Cruise Master - (Dave & Willina Collins) Absent. \*\*\* Peter reported that he has organised the following four cruises for this year: Cruise 1 April 28 – 29 Ladysmith Maritime Society (with Langley Squadron) Cruise 2 May 19 – 20

Cruise 3 June 29 – July 2 Port Sidney Marina (please reserve now)

Telegraph Harbour Marina (with White Rock Squadron)

#### m) Regalia Officer - (Donalda Buie)

Good amount of stock available, including hats, burgees, ties, scarves, etc. Please see Donnie.

# n) Environmental Officer - (Les Muller)

No report, however Paul mentioned that there have been lots of logs showing up at the Point Roberts Marina

## o) Fairlead Editors – (Paul Vanderwood)

AGM information will need to be submitted so that it may be received by the membership within the required amount of time.

Also, your contribution of articles is needed!

# p) Multicultural Officer and Assistant Officer - (Jack Tang and Rick Easthom)

New PCOC class to start February 20<sup>th</sup> with approximately 10 students.

### q) Supplies and Training - (Bill Hawryluk)

All supplies are in good order

# r) Port Captain - (Peter Lefroy)

Nothing to report.

### s) Webmaster/WBAS - (Bob Everson)

No news to report on website or WBAS.

#### t) Public Relations - (Jan Muller)

No report.

#### 5) New Business

- 1. AGM and Change of Watch will take place on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>
  Notification is required 30 days prior to the date. The notice of AGM, nominating
  officers report are needed. Peter will meet with Dave and Cleve to assess
  candidates. Byron will check with RYC to see if they will allow us to hold the AGM at
  their location. All trophies need to be returned prior to the AGM. Byron has a list of
  the awards that are presented at each AGM
- 2. Nominations for AGM. Peter requests that everyone let him know if they will stand for their positions again.
- 3. Peter has set up March 9th as the date for the event 'Rowing the Northwest Passage'

it will be held at the Richmond Yacht Club. We will need to organize volunteers to take care of setting up chairs, refreshments and a gift for the speaker. Peter will check to see if an honorarium is required

- 4. Facebook Paul reports that we have been on Facebook for several years. All are happy with how it has been working thus far. We also have a Twitter account. There is no cost to either. Putting dollars towards a Facebook advertising campaign for the months of July, August and September in order to advertise our classes, was discussed. Paul will check to see if there is a discount/no cost for volunteer organizations
- 5. Donation to RCM-SAR from radio course as an incentive for RCM-SAR to run more of their personnel through our radio course, Peter made a motion to give \$20 per radio course student (from the \$125 we charge for the course), to be donated to RCM-SAR. The motion was seconded by Donnie and passed unanimously.
- 6. Two new laptops need to be purchased. This will help speed up our class presentations. Bob E. noted that they will run about \$800 each. Dave M. made a motion that the purchase should be made and was seconded by Paul. The motion was passed unanimously.
- 7. White Rock Squadron is joining with Bellingham Squadron for a 'Sea Skills Boating' rendezvous on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 10am to 5pm to be held at the Blaine Festival
- 8. Jack noted that he has 100 Chinese students coming in March who want to take the PCOC course. The course would be sometime between March 15<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> and given at the Saltspring Island Resort & Spa. Fraser Squadron would be able to sponsor the teaching of the course and provide personnel to give the exams as Saltspring Island does not have an active squadron.

  There would be two classes of 50 students each. The class would be promoted through the Chinese social media app, WeChat. Jack has several yachts available for learning and would offer the students a cruise in the days following the class. Once the class has been completed, these students would want to have a ceremony presenting them with their certificate. Kathleen, Paul, Peter and Byron are recognized examiners. 20 students per examiner are permitted. This event is the first of its kind and there may be another one in two months.
- 9. There is a radio course on February 24<sup>th</sup> and another scheduled for March 24<sup>th</sup>. Strong English language skills are required for this course.

# 6) Adjournment

- **Time:** 2030hrs

- Motion By: Dave Mellis; Seconded by: Paul Vanderwood