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A UNIT OF CANADIAN POWER & SAIL SQUADRONS – PACIFIC MAINLAND DISTRICT
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Meeting Agenda Monday October 15, 2018 Training Room Trites Rd. – 1900-2040

Attendees: Byron and Donalda Buie, Gouri Chinnappa, Bob Everson, Bill Hawryluk, Chao Huang, Peter Lefroy, Dave Mellis, Cleve Pryde, Jack Tang, Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood, Vidas Vitkus, Meredith Williamson.

Regrets: Barb Dymond, Rick Easthom, Bob Juulsen, Michael Li, Lucy Liu, Nan Lockie, Jan and Les Muller, Sherwin Wang,

Guests: None.

Chair: Peter Lefroy

Minutes: Gouri Chinnappa

Call to order – 1900 hrs

- 1) **Roll Call** – Welcome to Bridge members
- 2) **Previous Minutes** - Motion to Accept Vidas Vitkus; Seconded by Bill Hawryluk
- 3) **Business arising from previous minutes**

- None

4) Officer Reports

a) Commanders report - (Peter Lefroy)

The following was sent by email:

I have just returned from the first PMD Meeting for Fall 2018 and the numbers for CPS-ECP continue to be rather sobering. National Membership as well as Pacific Mainland District Membership are both down about 7% from a year ago. I am told by Byron Buie that Western Canada leads the country with 45% of new members. Our overall membership continues to shrink. This is not unique to CPS-ECP as all types of volunteer organizations are struggling. I believe that we should not throw in the towel however we should take this as a challenge to find ways to engage our own members as well as to reach a wider audience. To this end I hope that all of you will give some thought as to how we might achieve this. I think that we should be open to any and all suggestions.

Two things that have happened are that National has finally agreed to have Automatic Membership Renewal. The second is that the Education Department is looking for on line Proctors as more and

more courses are being offered in that medium. If you are willing to do this please give Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood your name.

There is a move to come up with a new Tag Line for our organization. The United States Power Squadron now calls itself "America's Boaters Club." If you have an idea, please let us know or pass it on to CPS-ECP National.

I am off to the CPS-ECP National Conference next week along with Cleve Pryde and Byron and Donnie Buie. If you have any concerns please let us know and we will try and have them addressed.

*** Peter would also like to thank Barb for organizing lunch at Domaine de Chaberton.

b) Executive Officer - (Cleve Pryde)

Nothing to report.

c) Multicultural Officer - (Chao Huang)

Nothing to report.

d) Treasurer - (Meredith Williamson)

- Bank balance is \$26, 250.17 (not including cheques to CPS, PMD and Telus)
- Should we keep our Post Office box? *** Some discussion on this subject.

*** Dave wondered what we want to do with the storage locker. Some discussion on this subject.

- Meredith wondered if there is any need to have trophies. Some discussion on this subject. Peter put forth a motion that starting this year no more trophies will be given out; we will decide what else to give as awards. This motion was seconded by Meredith.

- Meredith mentioned that 2 people are needed to do the audit. Paul and Kathleen said that they would do it.

e) Membership Officer - (Vidas Vitkus)

The following was sent by email:

Here is membership report:

Associate: 7
Regular Lady: 24
Regular: 211
Regular Life: 18
Total: 260

Still working on Google Analytics and AdWord Campaigns.

*** Many members participated in a discussion about renewal of membership (for people who have not renewed their membership).

*** Jack mentioned that the Chinese members use WeChat for communication and circulation of information. Jack explained what WeChat is to the Bridge. Some discussion on this subject.

f) Multicultural Membership Officer - (Michael Li)

Absent.

g) Secretary- (Gouri Chinnappa)

Nothing to report.

h) Education Officers - (Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood)

The following was sent by email:

- Regarding the Boating 1 (PCOC) course that is being offered on two separate dates for this fall season, there was no registration for either Delta or Richmond for the October 13 date. We have yet to see what interest there may be for the November dates for both locations.
- Repeat item: In Ladner, through the Delta Parks & Recreation, we plan to offer the next Boating 2&3 combined course starting in late January, 2019, and to run for the expected 13 week period. The Boating 2&3 course will be offered in a similar fashion in Richmond, in late January, 2019.
- CPS-ECP is now offering Boating 2 as an online course. We have one student registered locally; Peter L and Bob J have volunteered together with ourselves as proctors for segments of this course that require personal instruction.
- Thanks as always to Nan Lockie who continues to monitor the Squadron phone.

*** Peter also asked Jack about whether any Mandarin PCOC classes were starting. Jack replied that they would do a registration sometime next week, as long as there was a minimum of 12 people interested in doing the class.

i) Multicultural Training Officer - (Sherwin Wang)

Absent.

j) Admin Officer - (Barb Dymond)

Absent.

*** Peter noted that it would be good to have one social activity per month. November: Christmas Party; December – nothing, as it is a busy time for all; January: perhaps a “meet & greet” or a “member appreciation day”; End January: Chinese New Year Celebration (Jack mentioned that it will be a big social event at a restaurant); March: CPR course.

*** Peter also noted that we need to finalize the Christmas Party (November 24, catered, \$45 per person, tickets must be bought ahead of time). Discussion ensued.

k) Multicultural Communications - (Lucy Liu)

Absent.

l) Cruise Master - (Peter Lefroy)

Nothing to report.

m) Regalia Officer - (Donalda Buie)

Nothing to report.

- Has ordered 20 CPS flags and some past commanders flags and these have arrived.

*** Peter asked that 1 Commander’s burgee be ordered for the new Commander in April.

n) Environmental Officer - (Les Muller)

Absent.

o) Fairlead Editors – (Paul Vanderwood)

We need more articles!

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

Has already discussed what needed to be discussed.

q) Supplies and Training - (Bill Hawryluk)

Nothing to report.

r) Port Captain - (Peter Lefroy)

Nothing to report.

s) Webmaster/WBAS - (Bob Everson)

Nothing to report.

- Christmas info is on the website.
- Is working on Google Ad words, etc. with Vidas.

t) Public Relations - (Jan Muller)

Absent.

5) New Business

a. Social Events

- What needed to be discussed has already been discussed.

b. Minutes to all members

- Peter noted that Rick had suggested sending the minutes of the meeting to all members. We will try to get going on that.

6) Adjournment

- **Time:** 2040hrs
- **Motion By:** Paul Vanderwood **Seconded by:** Vidas Vitkus