

FRASER SQUADRON MINUTES

Date: Mon Oct 19/20	Time: 7:00pm	Location: virtual meeting (Covid 19)
Minutes: KV		Chair: Cleve Pryde

Attendees: Cleve Pryde and Anne-Marie Vermeer Pryde, Peter Lefroy, Les and Jan Muller, Bill and Linda Hawryluk, Bob Everson, Donnie and Byron Buie, Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood

Regrets: Michael Lee, Sherwin Wang, Chao Huang, Dave Mellis, Meredith Williamson, Vidas Vitkus, Gouri Chinnappa, Jack Tang, Bob Juulsen

Guests:

Chair: Cleve Pryde

Minutes: Kathleen Vanderwood

Call to order – 1900 hours

1) Roll Call – Welcome to Bridge members

2) Previous Minutes – Motion to Accept Peter Lefroy; **Seconded by** Anne-Marie Vermeer Pryde

3) Business arising from previous minutes

Re: Microsoft 365

CPS-ECP is now issuing Microsoft 365 licenses through the organization. Licenses have been issued to National and are now being issued to PMD Commanders. They have yet to be issued to Squadrons. Each Squadron is supposed to receive 10 licenses; this is needed for the online training.

4) Officer Reports

a) Commander's report – (Cleve Pryde)

Cleve outlined some key information that had been shared at the regular PMD meeting:

- 71% of the membership has been reactivated
- Microsoft 365 -plan is for 10 licenses for each Squadron
- National dues increase – proposal is to go from \$37 to \$55 (\$18 increase, so that would take the overall membership fee to \$80) - (\$25 goes to the Squadron)
- a wish to increase the fee for Pacific Yachting (\$10 to \$12), and a suggestion that perhaps new members get a year of PY for free

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Webmaster (Bob E)

- Squadron micro sites are ready to be activated; need to confirm with our

- Operation lifejacket – designate drop off points, the plan is still in the works
- Merit marks – no progress at this time; this is a low priority at this point
- 2020 PMD Change of Watch – PMD is inclined to cancel this event as this is historically more of a social event. The PMD Bridge is starting the 2nd year of a 2 year term, so there's not much point in continuing with the event at this time.
- more than 1/2 of the Financial Reports are missing

b) Executive Officer –

c) Membership Officer – Paul Vanderwood

no report

d) Multicultural Membership Officer – Michael Lee

absent

e) Education Officers – Peter Lefroy

Assistant Education Officer – Byron Buie

The original plan was to start the Boating 2/3 class in the fall in a classroom which as we all know will not happen. I then was asked to be a proctor for the Port Moody online Boating 2/3 class which I took as an opportunity to see how it all works. I have been doing this for about 6 weeks now and through this made a connection with Barry Smith who is the online coordinator for B.C. I told him that we would like to complete our Boating 2/3 Class and going forward have a complete set of classes ready to go for 2021. There were a number of delays and I have just heard from him this morning (Oct 19) that we now can get going.

Therefore in this regard I am going to contact our students and suggest that we begin the remaining classes on Wednesday, October 28 and complete as much as we can before Christmas. They will actually have access to the full course on the website with the password they are given. The classes are not in the same order that we did them as we are using a course cloned from another squadron, but I am sure that we can make it work. Although in my opinion the online course is not nearly as good as being in the classroom, this is the new reality

As of the writing of these minutes, Peter has been conducting the remaining lessons of the Boating 2/3 program along with Paul and Kathleen, and with the technical support of Barry Smith (Prince George). Again, as of this writing, 2 couples and 1 individual have opted to withdraw as the online option is not working for them.

****Over the course of the summer, Peter has put 35 Mandarin students through the PCOC course.**

****Byron reported that BC Ferries wants CPS to train some of their deckhands (face to face concept – not online). Currently the ROCM is being done by 'zoom'.**

f) Multicultural Training Officer – Sherwin Wang

absent

g) Multicultural Executive Officer - Chao Huang

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absent

h) Treasurer – Meredith Williamson

Kathleen shared Meredith's report: the current account balance as of this writing is \$20,712.17

It was also noted that Peter had provided invoices payable to CPS totalling \$2,240.00 which were to be deducted from this amount (payments for Mandarin Manuals, ROCM App Fees and PCOC App Fees).

i) Secretary – Kathleen Vanderwood

no report

j) Public Relations – Jan Muller

no report

k) Cruise Master – Dave Mellis

absent

l) Environmental Officer – Les Muller

no report

m) Webmaster – Bob Everson

no report

n) Fairlead Editors – Vidas Vitkus, Gouri Chinnappa

As of the writing of these minutes, Vidas has sent out a Fairlead to the membership.

o) Supplies – Bill Hawryluk

no report

p) Multicultural Officer– Jack Tang

absent

q) Admin Officer – Anne Marie Vermeer Pryde

Regarding the Christmas function, it was agreed that due to the ongoing restrictions and concerns with Covid 19, we would forego our reservation at the River House. As of the writing of these minutes, Anne-Marie has contacted River House to advise them of our decision.

It was also suggested by Paul and agreed to by everyone, that we have a virtual 'get-together' sharing a festive glass and to do this on 'zoom' as an example, so that we celebrate the season in some fashion. Saturday, December 5 is the suggested date.

r) Port Captain

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s) Regalia Officer – Donalda Buie

Donnie reported that the sale of regalia has been slow for a few months. Please let her know if you need anything in this area.

t) Historian – Bob Juulsen

absent

There was a general discussion of how everyone is doing during these very different and challenging times. It was noted how relaxing it was to ‘see’ each other and to share experiences; some of us are more affected by and challenged with the Public Health and government restrictions in comparison to others. Kathleen and Paul expressed their appreciation to Les and Jan Muller for their continual monitoring of their boat which of course has been in lockdown since the closure of the border on March 13.

5) New Business

Byron and Donnie reported that they had registered for the AGM of the National Conference being held in a virtual format.

6) Adjournment

- **Time:** 8:15pm

- **Motion by:**