

FRASER SQUADRON MINUTES

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| Date: June 10, 2020 | Time: 19.08 7:08pm | Location: online via GoToMeeting |
| Minutes: KV | | Chair: Cleve Pryde |

Attendees: Cleve Pryde, Anne Marie Vermeer Pryde, Craig Fraser, Liana Mihalca (Craig and Liana participating from Ohio), Byron and Donalda Buie, Rand Lutman, Les and Jan Muller, Bob Juulsen, Bob Everson, Peter Lefroy, Dave Mellis, Meredith Williamson, Bill and Linda Hawryluk, Vidas Vitkus, Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood

Regrets: Michael Lee, Sherwin Wang, Chao Haung, Jack Tang

Guests: Barry Smith (facilitated the technology from Prince George), John Naylor (Commander, Pacific Mainland District)

Chair: Cleve Pryde

Minutes: Kathleen Vanderwood

Call to order – 1900 hours Meeting called to order at 19.08 - 7:08pm using GoToMeeting

1) Roll Call – Welcome to Bridge members

Given that this meeting was the AGM for Fraser Squadron, Commander Cleve asked if there was a quorum present, to which our Sergeant at Arms, Bob Juulsen, responded that there was indeed a quorum.

Secretary Kathleen indicated that the notice of the AGM meeting was filed in accordance with Squadron regulation 11.3.1 in a timely manner.

Moved by Meredith Williamson and seconded by Donnie Buie that the reading of the AGM minutes of April 26, 2019 be dispensed with. Carried.

2) Previous AGM Minutes – Motion to Accept Anne Marie Vermeer Pryde ; **Seconded by** Meredith Williamson. Carried

3) Business arising from previous minutes

No business arising from the minutes from the 2019 AGM.

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4) Officer Reports

a) Commander's report – (Cleve Pryde)

Fraser Squadron Members
Honoured Guests

Similar to last year, Fraser Squadron continued to work through a challenging year; again with issues no different than what many other squadrons have been facing; that is managing our finances and membership along with member retention. Of course, the COVID situation slowed activities as far back as January and essentially stopped activities in March.

It has been extremely difficult to track the membership numbers given the reactivation situation. A significant number of members have not (or cannot) reactivate their membership on the new platform.

Like the previous year, all of the training was actually run in Richmond although it was offered in both Richmond and Ladner. The bulk of our training has been occurring at the Richmond Yacht Club and I cannot thank Byron Buie and his Bridge enough for offering that facility to us for our various functions. Recently we had also been taking advantage of a generous offer from the Ladner Yacht Club where the building was offered to us for training and Bridge meetings. Of course no sooner did we get established at this location, we had to pull the plug on face to face get-togethers. I offer my thanks to the LYC as well.

Early in the calendar year, CPS-ECP was successful in winning a contract with BC Ferries to provide marine radio training for some 400 workers at 6 locations. The intent is the local Squadrons of those locations will support that program. Fraser Squadron is looking forward to supporting the Tsawwassen location.

The Squadron sponsored and installed 3 "See a Blow" signs in Richmond locations to help support the message from Marine Education and Research Society (MERS).

On the social scene, the highlights were summer cruises including the spontaneous Labour Day weekend cruise to Maple Bay and a couple land cruises to a Squadron barbeque, restaurant visit and the Christmas party. Again, it's safe to say that COVID put the brakes on anything social in 2020.

Finally, I would like to offer my thanks to some individuals who have contributed so much over many years:

- Peter Lefroy and Byron Buie carried on with organizing and delivering the training even though dealing with the incredible IT system frustrations.
- Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood who have retired from the training role, have continued to provide incredible support to the training effort; they actually forgot to retire.

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- Bob Juulsen and Bill Hawryluk who have retired, provided instruction for countless years being the mainstay of the instructor pool at Fraser for years gone by.

Respectfully submitted,

Cleve Pryde
Commander
Fraser Squadron

b) Executive Officer –

c) Membership Officer – Paul Vanderwood

1. Membership Numbers:

We show **227** members on the 'directory' report from the IT system as of **2020 06 08**. This is essentially the same number of members as late in 2019.

Membership Numbers:

| <i>Active Members</i> | <i>Inactive Members</i> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Associate = 3 | |
| Lady Associate = 4 | |
| Regular = 139 | |
| Regular Life = 13 | |
| <i>Total = 159</i> | <i>Total = 66</i> |

Please note that the 'Inactive' members are shown as having a @cps-ecp-imported-user.com email address and a 2020 expiry date. This is because they have not yet activated their CPS-ECP email in the new IT system.

From the **PMD Renewal Report** we show **23** renewals for May, 2020. **Unpaid members** as of end of April, 2020 total **122**.

2. Explanation of the current 'Renewal Procedure and Dues Structure' (copied from notification from National dated April, 2020):

The membership renewals are now being sent out. Those with valid email addresses are receiving theirs electronically. All others are being sent via Postal Service. Below you will find the Membership Dues structure, and the notification schedule.

CPS-ECP DUES

National \$37.00

Squadron Membership \$15.00 (Squadron Membership Breakdown –

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*\$10.00 squadron & \$5.00 district levy)
Total CPS-ECP Dues \$52.00*

Pacific Mainland District plus \$10.00

Renewing Family Member \$26.00

NOTIFICATION OF RENEWAL (in advance of renewal date)

45 days – 1st email notice

30 days – 2nd email notice

21 days - Postal Notice

15 days – 3rd email notice

Due date – email notice

3. Renewal of Life Members

Life Members renew at \$ 0.00.

An issue that has come up when some Life members tried to renew along with another family member (spouse) is that the system was trying to charge them for a full membership as well as the family membership for a total of \$88.00 instead of the \$26.00.

This issue has been sent to National and they are working to correct it.

I can assist with renewal of Life Members (when they renew with another family member).

4. Membership Renewal

When a member wants to renew and goes to the CPS-ECP Website and selects the Membership drop down, there will be 4 or 5 items to select from as shown below. What is shown will indicate if the member has renewed or needs to renew:

Membership

- Member Benefits
- Membership Application – **(this option disappears if already a member)**
- Membership Renewal - **(this option disappears when a member has renewed)**
- Membership Equivalencies
- Member Magazine

The Membership Renewal Button disappears as an option until 180 days before the next renewal date.

Note: The renewal for a Family Member is done through the Family Head. Family Members do not renew separately or individually.

Respectfully submitted:

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Paul Vanderwood

Membership

d) Multicultural Membership Officer – Michael Lee
absent

e) Education Officers – Peter Lefroy

Fraser Squadron Annual General Meeting

Training Report

It has been a chaotic year to say the least with the Covid 19 Pandemic. The Squadron had ten students participating in the Boating 2/3 Class for Spring 2020 when the Pandemic struck. The class was canceled until further notice. It is my plan to begin the class again in September and with the cooperation of the students, I believe that it is possible to hold the class at the Richmond Yacht Club with each student having their own table with appropriate physical distancing. This will of course only take place if everyone is in agreement with this plan.

Respectfully Submitted

Peter Lefroy
Training Officer

Assistant Education Officer – Byron Buie

Byron reported that he conducted the first online VHF course June 9, 2020 (day before the AGM) with all students being successful. He has 8 more students signed up for the next online course.

f) Multicultural Training Officer – Sherwin Wang
absent

g) Multicultural Executive Officer - Chao Huang
absent

h) Treasurer – Meredith Williamson

For the Treasurer's Report:

1. Our current bank balance is \$16,750.67

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2. The above balance includes a recent payment to headquarters with regard to their statement to Fraser Squadron for \$5,392.50, which Cleve noted should be paid
3. As discussed at a previous Bridge meeting, the PO Box in Ladner was not renewed
4. As discussed at a previous Bridge meeting, the Telus Mobility bill has not been paid (I do not have an update with regard to cancellation of the account by the person whose name the account is in and we decided that the only way we could cancel the account is to stop paying the bill)

Respectfully submitted.

Meredith Williamson

Treasurer, Fraser Squadron

i) Secretary – Kathleen Vanderwood

no report (Thank you to all who continue to send me their reports electronically).

j) Public Relations – Jan Muller

no report

k) Cruise Master – Dave Mellis

an update from Dave on possibly getting together for a lunch at a winery later in the summer when conditions allow

l) Environmental Officer – Les Muller

no report

m) Webmaster – Bob Everson

no report

n) Fairlead Editors – Vidas Vitkus, Gouri Chinnappa

no report

o) Multicultural Officer– Jack Tang

absent

p) Admin Officer – Anne Marie Vermeer Pryde

no report

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q) Regalia Officer – Donalda Buie

Regalia Sales have been rather slow this year.

We gave a complimentary Fraser Burgee to our Chief Commander, Peter Bolton.

We had one sale of a Fraser Squadron Burgee For the sum of \$30.010 in May.

We have a float of \$80.50

There are \$25.00 to go to the treasurer when next we meet.

Respectfully submitted

Donalda Buie

Regalia Officer

r) Historian – Bob Juulsen

no report

It was moved by Paul Vanderwood and seconded by Donnie Buie that the Officers' Reports be accepted by the membership and filed with the Secretary. Carried.

No unfinished business.

The Election of New Officers took place with no further nominations filed in accordance with Article 12.1 of the Squadron regulations.

The current Bridge officers have all agreed to put their names forward to serve next year. The candidate list is as follows:

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| Commander | Cleve Pryde |
| Secretary | Kathleen Vanderwood |
| Educational Officer | Peter Lefroy |
| Membership Officer | Paul Vanderwood |
| Financial Officer | Meredith Williamson |
| Administration Officer | Anne Marie Vermeer Pryde |

There being no further nominations, The Secretary cast the single vote for the election of the above noted members. Past Commander Peter Lefroy declared all Nominees duly elected to serve until the next AGM in accordance with Article 11.6.1 of the Squadron Regulations.

PMD delegate, John Naylor, administered the pledge to the new Commander, Cleve Pryde. Following this, Commander Cleve read the list of 'appointed Officers':

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| Past Commander | Peter Lefroy |
| Assistant Training Officer | Byron Buie |
| Assistant Training Officer | Nan Lockie |

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| Chinese Training Officer | Sherwin Wang |
| Multi Cultural Officer | Jack Tang |
| Cruise Master | Dave Mellis |
| Public Relations Officer | Jan Muller |
| Environmental Officer | Les Muller |
| Webmaster | Bob Everson |
| Publications/Editor | Vidas Vitkus |
| Assistant Publications/Editor | Gouri Chinnappa |
| Historian | Bob Juulsen |
| Regalia | Donalda Buie |

Commander Cleve then asked our PMD delegate, John Naylor, to administer the pledge to all elected and appointed Officers and called all of them to be pledged.

5) New Business

Commander Cleve noted that we are looking for a motion to donate \$1 per member to the CPS Foundation (as we normally do on an annual basis). The amount will be \$227.00 to be sent to the CPS Foundation. Therefore, **Moved** by Paul Vanderwood and **Seconded** by Jan Muller that the amount of \$227.00 be forwarded to the CPS Foundation.

The Merit Marks and Fraser Squadron Awards will be presented at a later date.

The Commander thanked John Naylor (PMD) for attending, Barry Smith for hosting the GoToMeeting, and the Frasers for joining us from Ohio.

6) Adjournment

- **Time:** 19.40 ... 7:40pm

- **Motion by:** Rand Lutman and **Seconded** by Bob Everson to terminate the AGM.

Carried