

## FRASER SQUADRON MINUTES

Date: Mon. Oct 18/21	Time: 7:05pm	Location: Virtual meeting
Minutes: KV		Chair: Cleve Pryde

**Attendees:** Cleve Pryde, Anne-Marie Vermeer Pryde, Byron and Donalda Buie, Les and Jan Muller, Dave Mellis, Meredith Williamson, Peter Lefroy, Bob Everson, Vidas Vitkus, Gouri Chinnappa, Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood

**Regrets:** Jack Tang, Sherwin Wang

**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** Dave Mellis; **Seconded by** Paul Vanderwood
- 3) **Officer Reports**

#### a) **Commander's report – (Cleve Pryde)**

\*\*Cleve paid tribute to Barry Smith who recently passed away in Prince George. Barry was a key educator and supporter with the management of the online boating course material. All of us who worked with Barry were very sorry to hear of the news. \*\*As of the writing of these minutes, Cleve has sent a card to Barry's family on behalf of the Fraser Squadron.

\*\*Cleve also paid tribute to George Radke who passed away in September. George proctored and helped teach with in-class boating courses for many years. \*\*Cleve and Anne Marie attended the 'celebration of life' at Brunswick Point on Oct 2 and conveyed our collective condolences to Carol Lord and to his family.

Cleve reported that he attended the PMD Bridge meeting on Oct 4. The following is a summary.

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Upcoming meetings planned with PMD:

- Oct 14, 15, 16 – National Conference (virtual)
- Dec 6 (virtual is proposed at this point)
- Feb 7 (face to face proposed)
- Apr 4 (face to face proposed)
- May 28 PMD Annual meeting at Exec Inn
- June 6 (face to face)

- PMD is anxious to get back to in-person meetings; the Executive is concerned about a disengagement among members that it is seeing
- PMD would like to encourage face to face meetings when Squadrons become comfortable with that
- Feb 9-13 is the Boat Show
- Pacific Yachting fee will go from \$10 to \$14 (approved by National July 20) but not sure when this takes effect
- For the first time, the Executive is seeing rising course revenues and also a slight increase in membership although it is uncertain what baseline this comment refers to
- PMD financial statement has improved for the last quarter
- The request is still on for a financial contribution from the Squadrons; the purpose is to contribute to important projects; Peter will issue a letter to this end shortly
- Executive is asking for a count of active “Lady Associates” in each squadron
- The system is ready for Merit Marks for Dec 31, 2020; **Cleve** will address this

### **b) Executive Officer –**

### **c) Membership Officer – Paul Vanderwood**

We show **189** members on the report from the IT system run on **2021 10 18**.

#### **Membership Numbers:**

<i>Active Members</i>
Associate = 3
Lady Associate = 5

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<i>Active Members</i>
Regular = 167
Regular Life = 14
<i>Total = 189</i>

The total represents a decrease of 34 members since approximately one year ago.

### **d) Multicultural Membership Officer**

#### **e) Education Officer – Peter Lefroy Assistant Education Officer – Byron Buie**

Peter Lefroy: I would like to acknowledge the recent passing of Barry Smith. Barry was the 'go to' person for all questions regarding online courses. He seemed to be available at all times of the day and night and spent many hours with Paul, Kathleen, Byron and me answering our questions and bringing us up to speed on the never ending changes to all CPS-ECP courses. Without him I know that I was lost. He will be greatly missed and I thank him for his dedication to CPS-ECP.

I know that Fraser Squadron sends our best wishes to his wife Judy and his children

Over the summer Jack Tang held a Mandarin PCOC class and eight students earned their PCOC, From that class seven of the students became members of Fraser Squadron.

Byron Buie has continued to hold online self study VHF radio courses, This past weekend eight students wrote the exam for their ROC(M) and they all passed with very good marks. Byron also has many more students (22) who have paid for the course but have not yet written the exam. He has also started a new class and has two students registered already.

I decided not to hold a boating 2/3 course this fall but will start one in January of 2022.

Thank you all for your help.

#### **f) Multicultural Training Officer – Sherwin Wang** absent

### **g) Multicultural Executive Officer**

#### **h) Treasurer – Anne Marie Vermeer Pryde**

The Fraser Squadron bank balance as of October 18, 2021 is \$23,918.72.

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**i) Secretary – Kathleen Vanderwood**

no report

**j) Public Relations – Jan Muller**

comment: Point Roberts is really looking forward to an open border.

**k) Cruise Master – Dave Mellis**

no report

**l) Environmental Officer – Les Muller**

Les was wondering where he could get a fire extinguisher to be refilled. Byron will send Les some information on this.

**m) Webmaster – Bob Everson**

no report

**n) Fairlead Editors – Vidas Vitkus, Gouri Chinnappa**

Vidas will be sending out a Fairlead soon and is looking for more material. Vidas also suggested a ‘pub night’ for example at the Rose & Crown as a way to encourage members and friends more getting together on a social level.

**o) Multicultural Officer– Jack Tang**

absent

**p) Admin Officer – Anne Marie Vermeer Pryde**

Anne Marie reported that the River House has been booked for the annual Christmas party on Dec 4/21 at 6pm in the Wine Room, for a maximum of 20 people. Anne Marie is waiting to hear a confirmation from the River House.

**q) Regalia Officer – Donalda Buie**

Donnie reported that she has made a sale: a past Commander burgee. Donnie has \$102 on hand in her ‘float’ for Regalia

**r) Historian – Bob Juulsen**

absent

Moved by **Peter Lefroy** and seconded by **Jan Muller** that the officers’ reports be accepted.

### 4) Business arising from previous minutes

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### 5) New Business

Cleve reported on the very successful Flare Day held on June 26, where more than 2700 outdated flares were collected.

### 6) Adjournment

- **Time:** 2019 hours (8:19pm)

- **Motion by:** Donalda moved and Paul V seconded that the meeting be terminated