

## FRASER SQUADRON MINUTES

Date: Mon. Mar 14/22	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, Bob Everson, Dave Mellis, Vidas Vitkus, Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood

**Regrets:** Peter Lefroy, 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** Donnie Buie; **Seconded by** Anne-Marie Vermeer Pryde

**3) Officer Reports**

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

No formal report at this time. Cleve did confirm that Merit marks for both 2020 and 2021 have been completed and loaded; the marks for 2019 have yet to be completed.

**b) Executive Officer –**

**c) Membership Officer – Paul Vanderwood**

no report

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

#### **e) Education Officer – Peter Lefroy**

##### **Assistant Education Officer – Byron Buie**

Byron reported that the VHF testing has been continuing on a regular basis. As of the writing of these minutes, he has 25 students who still need to be tested for their ROCM. Byron has been able to record the question (that needs to be asked during the exam procedure) thus making the process a little easier for the examiner; the exams are still all being done virtually due to where the student is from/located.

\*\*Byron would appreciate any help with examining the students; he also has 5 others who have registered and 3 potential individuals who are interested.

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

absent

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

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

The Fraser Squadron bank balance as of March 14 is \$19,245. There have been no major transactions this month.

#### **i) Secretary – Kathleen Vanderwood**

no report

#### **j) Public Relations – Jan Muller**

no report

#### **k) Cruise Master – Dave Mellis**

Some discussion on spring/summer cruising. Through his contact, Pat Miles of Royal City Squadron, Dave advises that our squadron is invited to join with Royal City on their cruises: currently organizing Genoa Bay for April 17 -18 and Montague Harbour for the May long weekend. Dave will put a report together and email it out to all.

#### **l) Environmental Officer – Les Muller**

Les reported that the marina office has been busy: some boat owners are looking for their old spots back.

#### **m) Webmaster – Bob Everson**

no report

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

Vidas is accepting any and all items to be included in the Fairlead.

**o) Multicultural Officer– Jack Tang**

absent

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

Nothing further than this comment from the last meeting: Discussion of a proposed Squadron Christmas event: Anne Marie will put in for a tentative booking for the Fraser Squadron dinner at the Richmond Yacht club. The booking can always be changed. It was agreed that the decision will depend on public health measures.

**q) Regalia Officer – Donalda Buie**

Regalia is still available but there have been no further sales.

**r) Historian – Bob Juulsen**

absent

**Motion to accept the officers' reports:** Moved by Paul Vanderwood and seconded by Les Muller

### **4) Business arising from previous minutes**

**4.1 Auction event:** after some discussion, it was agreed that this would be a mainly social event (with a BBQ as an idea), and we might possibly join in with another squadron or invite another squadron to join us. Deas Island Park was suggested as a good outdoor location and a recommended date would be Saturday, September 10 (when the weather is still quite reliable).

### **5) New Business**

**5.1 Squadron Health across Canada:** Byron noted that there are 34 squadrons across the country out of the 128 total squadrons who are actually offering boating courses. Furthermore, there are some districts where no squadron is 'teaching' nor offering boating courses. There is a continuing challenge with having volunteers interested in providing some time to help with teaching or with the operation of the Squadron. As the current volunteers get older, they may be less interested or able to help out.

Also . . . with respect to the Canada wide request for donations to CPS-ECP to help support their various projects, there has been a total of \$150,000 donated across the country.

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**5.2 RVCC day (Recreation Vessel Courtesy Check) will be planned for sometime in the near future.** More info to come as well as the date. **Byron** will be contacting Gerry Powers to determine what other RVCC's are being offered.

**5.4 Flare Day:** This event, where one can return their expired flares, will be held on Saturday, May 14 at the Richmond/Steveston Marine store (near the Boathouse Restaurant) from 10am-3pm. Byron, Les&Jan, Bob E and Peter L offered to help out. **Vidas** will put this upcoming event into the Fairlead.

**5.5 AGM for 2022:** The AGM is planned for Saturday, May 14. The AGM will follow the Flare Day, also scheduled for this same day. It is suggested that the AGM be held (in person) at the Richmond Yacht Club. More details will follow. **There was a reminder that the notice of the AGM must be included within the Fairlead 30 days prior to the intended date.** At this time, our total membership is 148; a 10% quorum is needed.

**Vidas will include the AGM reminder in the Fairlead.**

**Reminder:**

**\*\*Paul Vanderwood** warned that a number of GPS units will not report the correct date or time due to 'a week rollover issue'. Please see attached.

### **Adjournment**

- **Time:** 2037 hours (8:37pm)

- **Motion by:** Paul Vanderwood; and seconded by Donnie Buie, that the meeting be terminated