



AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA

EC MEETING ROPs

April 09, 2014

MEETING INFORMATION

Meeting Date: April 09 2014
Start Time: 1900hrs

ATTENDANCE

Tom White	Present	Don Doern	Present
Ken Higgins	Present	Don Berrill	Present
Keith Mann	Present	Marcel Bineau	Present
Fred Johnsen	Present		
Sarah Matresky	Present ACL ED		

1. Administration

1.1 Opening Remarks – T. White

T. White welcomed all members of the Executive Committee on the call.

1.2 New Items for Agenda – T. White

K. Mann added Effective Speaking to the Agenda

1.3 Approval of Agenda – T. White

Moved By: F. Johnsen

Seconded By: D. Doern that the Agenda be approved as amended.
Carried

1.4 Approval RPOs March 23 2014 – T. White

Moved By: K. Mann

Seconded By: K. Higgins that the ROPs from March 23 2014 be approved as presented.
Carried

2. Information

2.1 President's Report – T. White

The President reported the following in his report submitted in advance of the meeting:

We requested a meeting of the three Leagues Executive Committees which would be held in Ottawa at a time to benefit all. The meeting was to allow us to sit with each other, review our internal policies and to review the Governance, Renewal, Staffing and other issues prior to the NCC meeting to be held April 2nd. The date was agreed to be March 22nd and each of the Leagues was represented at this most informative and productive meeting.

For the record we were represented by all but one of our EC and that member was out of the country. Meetings were held by the ACL on Friday evening and Saturday morning. With the three Leagues Saturday afternoon until about 6pm and the ACL reconvened after supper until 10pm and again Sunday 8 – 10:30.

I would like to thank Sarah for putting together the binder we used for the meeting. It contained all the information we might require along with items already agreed to or that were in contention.

*Don Berrill, thank you for the working document **The NCC Issues – Engaging Our League Partners** This was a very useful tool in which we were able to list all of the issues of concern to the ACL and those of possible concern to the others. With Don's skill with a computer we were able to have the document up on a large screen TV and make revisions or highlights as we worked along. Suggestions and demands by the other Leagues were incorporated into the document and at the end of the day we had something we could take to the NCC that we all agreed to. This was a very positive exercise and one that should happen again.*



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2.2 Executive Director's Report – S. Matresky

S. Matresky reported that:

- *Had 3 ED and Director meeting yesterday. Several cadets were considered for awards. I can confirm that 1 Air Cadet will be receiving the medal of Bravery and 1 Air Cadet will be receiving a Commendation. They will advise as to when we can release the names. Both cadets are from Pacific Region*
- *I just learned yesterday that the Colonel has filled the National Air Ops position at D Cds previously vacated by Y. Therrien. LCol. Richard Hone will be the new point of contact and will also assume the D Cds 2 position (program development) when Commander Agnew retires in a few months.*
- *Once LCol. Hone is settled he will start working on the future of the flying program (working group?). I reminded the Colonel that not much has been done since we submitted our report in the fall and the Aviation Committee is concerned that time is running out. I added that the PCs are having difficulty putting together their business plans and managing assets when the future is unknown. Col. N indicated that he has just signed (or will sign very soon) a new 3 year contract with Gimli with a 2 year renewal option.*
- *The Extranet website for the Canadian Cadet Organization now has renewal bulletins and will be distributing booklets to Squadrons and PC offices*
- *Mediation took place in Quebec on the 27th. Plaintiff wouldn't take the offer and wants more than twice what the mediation judge thought the case was worth. She is fighting for a 7% disability only. Defence team consists of an articling student who was a former Air Cadet and former Commercial Pilot. He flew the same glider she did and trained at the same camp. Case will go to trial for two weeks, most likely in October (busiest time of year at the office!). Defence says case is a slam dunk and in the end she will likely be awarded no more than our original offer. So far the League has not had to put any money of the table.*
- *New items in our Catalogue. This is the time of year we stock up for ACR's etc. Should any of you need recognition gifts we have restocked our higher end pen sets along with a few swag type items.*
- *Last year the National office took over the admin and distribution of bars for the cadet service medals in Quebec as a favour to the QPC office as they indicated they were having some extreme difficulty administering them and were short staffed. We processed all of the requests right away not knowing that they had been sitting around for some time (Josée later confirmed this). And as a result, we have only been able to collect a small portion of the funds that were owed to us. We have had to write off \$1100 worth of bars for FY14 and Marcel, just so you know, we won't be in a position to assist QOV with these bars come September as we have lost too much money.*
- *BOG Call will happen May 7, agenda items needed in advance. Still trying to gather voting list.*

Moved By: D. Doern

Seconded By: F. Johnsen that the report be received as presented.

Carried

3. Business Arising

3.1 NCC Meeting April 2nd 2014 – T. White

T. White indicated that the VCDS would check with the lawyers on the Cadet Supervision issue. A Governance Committee would be established and K. Mann will be participating in discussions pertaining to this item. He went on to explain the Commander of Cadets position (not announced yet) and the possible reporting structure as well as the Centralized Command structure. The diagram provided at the NCC was reviewed and the EC worked to clarify which person fit in where and S. Matresky clarified the process as part of the Renewal.

S. Matresky added that this NCC meeting was one of the better meetings she has attended. Without the attendance of the D Cds department heads, there was less interjection and more communication. The VCDS was well prepared/well versed on all subjects and received a 3 hour briefing before the meeting. It was apparent that the 3 Leagues were all on the same page having met a few days prior to discuss positions and improved communication between D Cds and the League meant that less time was wasted discussing 'lack of information'.



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4. New Business

4.1 Effective Speaking: Watch Replacement– S. Matresky

K. Mann received an email from B. Rowan in PEI with regards to the 2013 Effective Speaking cadet from PEI who was bullied at school and as a result had his watch from the competition damaged and returned to him in pieces. K. Mann proposed that the ACL send him a complementary replacement watch. S. Matresky suggested the office contact the provincial committee to look at using this story as part of creating some awareness about bullying.

Moved By: K. Mann

Seconded By: F. Johnsen that the Effective Speaking cadet receive a free replacement watch on behalf of the League.
Carried

5. Conclusion

5.1 Reports of the Vice Presidents

D. Berrill added that the Financial Statements were discussed earlier on the call (before he was able to sign on), but added that the ACL ended up in a surplus position for 2013-14 (about \$40k) and wanted to note for the minutes that it is appreciated that S. Matresky keeps costs under control and does fine work.

5.2 Good and Welfare of the ACL – All

Health update on NB member Dennis MacNeil.

5.3 Next Meeting – T. White

The next BOG meeting will be held May 7th 2014 (was advanced by one week).

5.4 Motion to Adjourn Meeting – T. White

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2006 ET.