

# AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA BOG MEETING ROPs May 16th, 2012

# **MEETING INFORMATION**

Meeting Date: May 16th 2012 Start Time: 1900hrs

# ATTENDANCE

| Don Berrill       | Present                            | Lloyd MacIntyre | Present |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Marcel Bineau     | Present                            | Keith Mann      | Present |
| Bob Burchinshaw   | Present                            | Terry Platana   | Present |
| Don Doern         | Present                            | Gary Pinsent    | Present |
| Grant Fabes       | Present                            | Bob Robert      | Present |
| Ken Higgins       | Present                            | John Walker     | Present |
| Tom Holland       | Present                            | Tom White       | Present |
| Fred Johnsen      | Present                            |                 |         |
| Marc Lacroix      | Absent                             |                 |         |
| Jerry Elias       | Present Chair, Aviation Committee  |                 |         |
| John Scott        | Present Chair, Res. Gen. Committee |                 |         |
| Darlene LaRoche   | Present CofC                       |                 |         |
| Sarah Matresky    | Present ED                         |                 |         |
| LCol. Y. Therrien | Present SSO Air                    |                 |         |
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## 1. Administration

1.1 New Items for Agenda – B. Robert
4.11 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee Report

## 1.2 Approval of Agenda – B. Robert

Moved By T. White Seconded By: G. Fabes that the Agenda be approved as amended. Carried

# 1.3. Approval of Record of Proceedings: Mar 21/12 – B. Robert Moved By: L. MacIntyre Seconded By: M. Bineau that the ROPs be approved as presented.

Carried



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#### 2. Information

#### 2.1 President's Report - B. Robert

The President had the following points to make:

- S. Matresky has been awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal by the Conference of Defence Association.
- He and K. Higgins traveled to Ottawa on April 12<sup>th</sup> for the meeting with the CRS. The ACL emphasized on the governance of the cadet program and management by cooperation and the need for consultation at all levels among other things.
- The Governor General's office contacted the League inviting two members to attend the' Caring Canadian Awards' reception (ACL only had 48 hours' notice). G. Fabes and L. MacIntyre traveled to Ottawa to attend. The League was led to believe that those in attendance would be recipients of this award; however to everyone's surprise they were only invited as guests of the event. B. Robert wants to establish a process were we nominate individuals from the ACL for the Caring Canadian Awards in the future.
- NWO was contacted by the Prairie Region Commanding Officer who advised NWO that due to the restructuring they have contacted Central Region and the OPC to see if they would take on the 8 squadrons in the NW area. B. Robert said that it is a standing policy that all parties must agree to the move and he is certain that NWO wants to remain an independent PC. OPC is in agreement with that as well. B. Robert will provide more info as it becomes available.

## 2.2 Executive Director's Report – S. Matresky

S. Matresky indicated that the new hire is working out well at the National Office, but he has an interview for a position at D Cdts and she is concerned that he may be poached. She added that the hotel contract for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Richmond BC has been signed as well as the 2016 contract for IACEA. She is still working getting the contract signed for 2014 in the Yukon.

#### 2.3 National Finance Committee Report – J. Walker

J. Walker indicated that a discussion will be held during the Finance Committee meeting at the AGM as there is still one PC (NL) who has not submitted ACC9's or financial statements for last year despite numerous requests.

# 2.4 Provincial Chairs Report – D. LaRoche

D. LaRoche indicated that she has nothing further to report.

# 2.5 D Cdts Report – Lcol. Y. Therrien

LCol. Therrien reported that he has been told that the Ministerial Directives have been finalized and copy will be sent to the League for information this week or next. B. Robert was surprised that it was for 'information' as the Leagues have not agreed to it yet. B. Robert said that a BOG meeting of urgent nature might need to be conducted in the coming weeks.

#### 3. Business Arising

#### 3.1 Audit Report - Andrews & co.

T. Malleau presented the League's financial reports. He was pleased to report that no unusual transactions were found during the audit and the League is in a good position financially. The staff was very helpful with the proceedings and a management letter is not needed this year. Instead a letter of best practices will be drafted to enable the office to ensure proper procedure. T. Malleau will provide a quote for next year's audit so that it can be decided upon at the AGM. There were no further questions.

#### Moved By: J. Walker

**Seconded By:** T. Holland that the BOG, after having been briefed by the auditors moves to accept the financial statements and are recommending they be presented at the AGM for further approval by the membership. Carried



3.2

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SPU08 Scorecard See attached document for details.

3.4 Ministerial Directives Update – B. Robert (In Camera)

# 3.5 State of the Partnership Survey – G. Fabes

G. Fabes gave an overview of the survey and how the results were collected. He thanked D. Berrill and C. Denison, D. Doern and F. Johnsen for their assistance in the project, particularly with the compilation of data. A total of 37 people completed the National section of the survey, 135 completed the Provincial section and 371 completed the local level of the survey. This works out to be a 38% response rate and should be considered an excellent rate of reply as most surveys do not yield as many returns. Two or three more phase reports will follow in the coming weeks.

# 3.6 ACL Position on Combining Cadet Units and CO's element

B. Robert indicated that there has been a development and probably a policy in one Region that is very troubling and has led the Air Cadet League to come up with the following for approval by the BOG. If approved, B. Robert will bring the two positions forward at the National Cadet Council meeting at the end of May.

ACL POSITION on Combining Cadet Units - The Air Cadet League is opposed to combining viable cadet units for the purpose of 'purpling' them. In cases where air cadet squadrons are struggling to stay viable because of lack of cadets, staff or other reasons, the RCSU and the Air Cadet League Provincial Committee must do a joint appreciation of the situation and come up with a plan to rectify the shortcomings and a deadline to return to viability or face closure of the air cadet unit.

#### Moved By: K. Higgins

Seconded By: M. Bineau that the position as stated above be accepted at the League's official position and be presented at the NCC. Carried

ACL POSITION on non-air element COs of Air Cadet squadrons - The Air Cadet League insists that Squadron COs be of the Air element. When circumstances are such that a suitable Air element CO is not available and one is available from the other elements that CO is to rebadge if his/her term is to exceed 90 days.

# Moved By: K. Higgins

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## 3.7 NFP Act - Bylaws - S. Matresky

S. Matresky explained that a Special Resolution was prepared by the League's NFP lawyer to amend the current bylaws to begin the process of transitioning to the new Not for Profit Corporations Act next year. The BOG discussed the sentence that was to be added to Part II as it indicates CI's are not eligible for membership which does not reflect the current situation within the League. Variations were considered on how to include exceptions to this rule and where a further explanation should be included. S. Matresky indicated that she will consult with the NFP lawyer to draft a new sentence. B. Robert indicated that the sentence will later be approved by electronic vote prior to being presented at the AGM for approval by the membership.

#### Moved By: B. Burchinshaw

**Seconded By:** F. Johnsen that the Special Resolution amending the Members section of the bylaws be approved except for the second line in item (1), which will be approved by electronic vote after S. Matresky has consulted with the lawyers. Carried

#### 3.8 Approval of Operational Guide – T. Holland

T. Holland indicated that the guide has been reviewed a few times since it was presented to the BOG a few months ago and T. Holland would now like to see it be adopted as a guide to be used by the League.

# Moved By: T. Holland

Seconded By: K. Mann that the guide be approved as presented. Carried

#### 4. Committee Reports

4.1 Air Cadet Committee – M. Lacroix No report from Chair (absent).

#### 4.1.1 National Sections Sub-Committee – M. Bineau

M. Bineau had nothing further to report.

#### 4.2 National Aviation Committee – J. Elias

J. Elias reported that he has had some discussion with Transport Canada and had finally received in writing that TC will not be shutting down the flying program if they cannot get the approval of the registration of the aircraft sorted out. J. Elias was hoping TC could attend the AGM, but unfortunately due to budget restrictions they will not be able to be there. They have however indicated that they will attend the SAM in November.

The National Glider was supposed to be on its way to K&L Soaring but there have been some delays. He will report further on the issue at the AGM.

#### 4.3 National Effective Speaking Committee – K. Mann

K. Mann indicated that his committee should be referred to as the 'National Effective Speaking Committee' as they dropped the word 'Competition' from the name several years ago. He added that the Committee is looking into topics for next year and are preparing for the National Competition at the AGM.

#### 4.4 IACE Committee – L. MacIntyre

L. MacIntyre indicated that his report was included in the supporting material. L. MacIntyre apologized to D. LaRoche for a brass comment made during the last teleconference. He and G. Fabes met with LCol. Therrien last week to discuss IACE 2013. Discussion about the itinerary ensued. The proposal will continue to be fine-tuned and LCol. Therrien will meet informally with some members of the Committee at the AGM to discuss the matter further.



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#### 4.5 League Industry Partners Committee – G. Fabes

G. Fabes reported that there will be two formal signings at the AGM (NAV Canada and Hamilton Watches). Both agreements are already in effect.

#### 4.6 Members Committee – T. Holland

T. Holland reported that Rick Brooks is working with the Committee to develop online training for members. He will be at the AGM to further discuss the League's needs and the way ahead. The Committee is also working in conjunction with the Air Cadet Committee who is also interested in the online training delivery method.

#### 4.7 Music Committee

Covered under the SPU update. Nothing further to add at this time.

#### 4.8 National Policy Procedures & By-Laws Committee – B. Burchinshaw

B. Burchinshaw discussed the NFP Act and the National Constitution. S. Matresky will bring up the issue with the lawyers. B. Burchinshaw is also concerned that there is not adequate access to the CATOs on the cadets.ca website. S. Matresky indicated that she was informed that the current access system is temporary as the DND site is under redevelopment.

#### 4.9 National Public Relations and Image Committee – G. Pinsent

G. Pinsent reported that a cadet on the West coast recently received the Medal of Bravery. The information was passed along to the National Office for further publicity. He added that M. Lacroix sent him some information on a USB stick pertaining to PR but he was unable to open the files. G. Pinsent is awaiting a copy of DND social media policy to being developing a policy for the ACL.

#### 4.10 National Resource Generation Committee – J. Scott

J. Scott reported that the OPC souvenir program will be available for everyone at the AGM. He added that he had a wonderful chat with Mark Williams at the National Office who will be working with the RGC over the next few months. He indicated that the League needs to define what it needs money for and based on the evening's discussions, there are a few financial obligations the League is involved in (IACE, Music etc.) that could be generated targets. It is important that committees inform J. Scott of any funding they need so that a plan can be put in place to generate funds.

# 4.11 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee – K. Mann

K. Mann reported that the Committee is conducting a mini survey for feedback and ideas on celebrations for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The next step is to formulate a strategic plan for the next four years and the Resource Generation Committee will be approached for funding. K. Mann asked everyone to complete the survey in time for the AGM.

#### 5. New Business

#### 5.1 Parental Permission to Post Photos-S. Matresky

S. Matresky indicated that the following response was received from D Cdts: Response from LCdr. Lecours: The Sep 2011 version of the CF1158 had that consent built-in. Before, it was a separate form (DND 2353).

#### 6. Conclusion

#### 6.1 Reports of the Vice Presidents

The VPs had nothing further to add at this time. G. Pinsent added they are having a meeting in NL to discuss the JCR movement in the province and asks that the issue be raised at the NCC.

#### 6.2 Good and Welfare of the ACL - All

Nothing further.

#### 6.3 Next Meeting – B. Robert

The next meeting will take place at the AGM in Burlington on June21st. This concluded the meeting.