



# AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA

## EC Teleconference ROPs

Nov 02 2011

### MEETING INFORMATION

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**Meeting Date:** November 02 2011

**Time:** 1900hrs

**Location:** Teleconference

**Purpose:** Regular Scheduled Meeting

### ATTENDANCE

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Bob Robert	Present	Keith Mann	Present
Grant Fabes	Present		
Ken Higgins	Present	Darlene LaRoche	Present
Tom White	Present	Sarah Matresky	Present
John Walker	Present		

### AGENDA

#### 1. Administration

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##### 1.1. President's Opening Remarks – B. Robert

B. Robert thanked everyone for their participation on the call. He also thanked everyone who attended the PC AGMs on his behalf and appreciated that everyone submitted their reports in a timely manner. B. Robert asked S. Matresky to compile all of the 'Special Successes and Innovations' that were reported on the ACC12s.

**Action:** S. Matresky

##### 1.2. New Items for Agenda – B. Robert

4.3 Ministerial Directives was added to the agenda

4.4 IACE Exchange 2013

##### 1.3. Approval of Agenda – B. Robert

Item 4.3 Ministerial Directives added

**Moved By:** G. Fabes

**Seconded By:** K. Higgins that the Agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

##### 1.4. Approval of Record of Proceedings – EC Meeting October 2nd 2011– B. Robert

**Moved By:** T. White

**Seconded By:** G. Fabes that the ROP of the October 2<sup>nd</sup> EC meeting be approved.

Carried

#### 2. Information

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

B. Robert indicated that he attended the OPC AGM over the weekend and it was a grandiose affair with over 500 participants. Also in attendance was C. Denison from the National Office. The OPC presented well over 100 awards and prizes during the meeting.



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

The ED reported that she attended the RCSU CO's conference last week and found it to be informative. She has arranged for insurance on the National Glider, which will be purchased in the coming weeks. The National Office has been very busy with preparations for the Semi-Annual meeting. S. Matresky is concerned that she has not received any PTAA applications from Prairie Region and plans to follow up with RCSU Prairie in the next few days. C. Denison attended the PAO Conference in St. John's last week and reported that a public relations tool kit will soon be distributed to all squadrons. The kit contains some errors and S. Matresky is disappointed that DCdts did not consult with the Leagues first before sending it to a printer.

Two new CATOs are coming out soon, one on the Screening of CIC officers and the other on Social Media. DCdts is revising their consent forms for the CIC so to allow information on the applicants to be shared with the Leagues. D. LaRoche asked for a clarification on the PR tool box that will be distributed. Discussion ensued on the Not-For-Profit Corporations Act and the implications on the ACL. S. Matresky said she is working closely with the PPBLC on the subject.

**Action: S. Matresky - PTAA's**

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

J. Walker reported that the latest financial statements were distributed the other day. He commented on the amount of cash in the bank and stated that the reason there is so much is because the grant was paid in a lump sum this year and some costly insurance bills have not been cleared yet. J. Walker and S. Matresky will talk to the auditors about the League's cash position in the coming weeks.

J. Walker also reported that he sent out the latest 'Pestergram' and that ACC9s are now at 88.5% received.

**Action: S. Matresky & J. Walker – League's cash position**

#### 2.4 Provincial Chairs Report – D. LaRoche

D. LaRoche reported that she was elected at the AB Provincial Chair for another term. New chairs were elected in several provinces and she will be circulating that information shortly. She added that the ABPC AGM guest speaker was a Mrs. Bev Spielman who commanded one of the first all-girls squadron in Alberta. She will be featured in an upcoming issue of 'Chatelaine Magazine'.

### 3. Business Arising

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#### 3.1 Cadet Supervision File – G. Fabes *\*In Camera\**

#### 3.2 Presidential Coin – T. White

T. White reported that he circulated several drafts of the potential Presidential Coin. He received positive feedback from everyone and suggests that President make the final decision. He is waiting on a quote from a Canadian company, but an American company provided him with a quote of just over \$4.00 plus \$100 for set up charges. Discussion ensued about where, when and how frequently these coins should be given out as well as to whom they should be presented. The EC also discussed the traditions behind coin presentations and their meaning and the fact that these coins would be expensive to produce, particularly if they had the year and the President's name on them.

**Moved By: T. White**

**Motion:** That the League purchases an annual Presidential Coin (design on the back chosen by the President) in an amount to be determined. **Not Carried.**



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#### **3.3 Gold Coin Policy – B. Robert**

B. Robert explained that 100 thank you coins were purchased when J. Johnson was President and the unspoken, unwritten policy was that few were to be given out, and they were to be reserved for those who have contributed to the organization in a significant way. The OPC had obtained a few and distributed them to various individuals. B. Robert is proposing that we continue to provide the coins for purchase but that they are to be handed out to significant external individuals only.

**Moved By:** G. Fabes

**Seconded By:** K. Higgins that the gold coins continue to be made available to Provincial Chairs who wish to use them for special recognition to external people.

Carried

#### **3.4 Automatic Cadet Rank Promotions (CATO 13-02) – B. Robert/G. Fabes**

B. Robert explained that there has been much dissatisfaction within the Air Cadet movement regarding automatic rank promotions. B. Robert was asked by the SSO Air for the League's position on the issue, and currently there is no formal position in place. B. Robert has been canvassing the membership. He hopes to have more replies by the Semi-Annual Meeting. LCol. Therrien has been told that the League will provide its official position after the SAM.

#### **3.5 Member Training – K. Higgins/S. Matresky**

K. Higgins explained that S. Matresky will be playing a major role on the technical side in how the training modules will be presented. S. Matresky added that she has been experimenting with a few companies online and put together a sample to test the capabilities. She plans on exploring a few more options and will brief the Members Committee at the SAM. The idea is to get an agreement first on the format of delivery, then prioritizing and writing the material.

### **4. New Business**

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#### **4.1 Registration and Screening Coordination with DCdts – S. Matresky**

S. Matresky reported that she met with DCdts to discuss Registration and Screening. The revised draft CATO was discussed and the tolerance policy for rejecting someone into the CIC was further defined. She added that DND, through a newly drafted consent form will be able to share some basic information with the Leagues to assist the ACL with its screening. The ACL may want to consider revising its consent form to more clearly indicate that the applicant's information will also be shared with the military.

#### **4.2 Glider Purchase – B. Robert**

The Motion to proceed with the purchase of a Glider from York Soaring Association for \$9,000 for the ACL National Fleet Reserve for later resale to a PC in need was made by VP John Walker and Seconded by VP Tom White. The remaining members of the Exec Committee voted in favour and the Motion carried unanimously by electronic vote.

#### **4.3 Ministerial Directives – B. Robert/S. Matresky**

B. Robert explained that the latest drafts of the Ministerial Directives are out and was circulated to the EC by email with comments by S. Matresky. B. Robert added that the ACL is not prepared to support the new Directives at the NCC on November 15<sup>th</sup> and S. Matresky will arrange for a teleconference between the three League Presidents to discuss. The new Directives do not enforce that the Cadet program is a community based organization and there is little mention of the MOU between the Leagues and DND.

#### **4.4 IACE Exchange 2013 – B. Robert**

B. Robert reported that a meeting was held between L. MacIntyre, S. Matresky, LCol. Therrien and himself on October 13<sup>th</sup> 2011. The League advised Col. Therrien that it is the ACL's intention to move the 2013 IACE to AB and BC and would not include a visit to the



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National Capital Region. B. Robert added that for 2012, accommodations at CFB Borden look promising as a substitute for OPC host families and the committee is working with OPC to revise the itinerary to reflect the change. D. LaRoche confirmed that she will have a presentation at the SAM about moving the IACE out west.

**Action: D. LaRoche – IACE presentation**

## 5. Conclusion

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### 5.1 Reports of the Vice-Presidents – Various

B. Robert reminded all senior sponsors of SPU action items that they need to send an email to their 'prime' people for status updates on their action items. B. Robert added that today he received some legal comments regarding the waiver issue and will be bringing the subject to the attention of D Cds. in the next few days.

T. White said that NL expressed at their AGM their excitement about having a few cadets on IACE this year. He added that NB would be interested in hosting a few IACE cadets in the future.

### 5.1 Reports of the Vice-Presidents – Various (continued)

J. Walker said that when he attended the SK AGM, he noted that they too expressed interest in possibly hosting a few IACE cadets in the future.

K. Mann reported that he attended the AFAC AGM and said that an information session was given on the new NFP Act. He will share the information with the ED.

#### 5.1.1 Wreaths Across the Border – T. White

T. White reported that all provinces bordering US states, with the exception of SK, MB and QC will be participating in a Wreaths Across the Border ceremony. B. Robert expressed an interest in attending a ceremony close to his home and asked T. White to keep him informed.

**Action: T. White**

### 5.2 Good and Welfare of the ACL – All

B. Robert gave a status update on a few League members who have been having some health issues.

### 5.3 Next Meeting – B. Robert

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will take place December 14<sup>th</sup> 2011