



**General Meeting of Royal Canadian Legion Branch #291 Okotoks
Elks Hall, Okotoks**

May 8th, 2018

Present: Bob McLeod, Malcolm Hughes, Mandie Barker (Minutes), John MacCormack, Jenny Churchill Hughes, Dave Miles, Bev Lee, Rosemary McLeod, Shannon Worobets, Marshall Worobets, Paul White, Ron England, Terri England, Linda Clements, John Boletta, Joanne Cunningham, Bob Cunningham, Graham Kuntz, Bev Lee, John McLeod, Emma MacCormack, Marcelle Tremblay, Barry Leslie, Ian Stenberg, Diana Stenberg, Tom Bell, Andy Moreau, Ray Herrington, Linda White, Rick Onseucu.

Meeting Opened 1900 hrs.

Opening Ceremony – Singing of O’Canada.

1. We started our evening with the presentation of the cheque to Bonnie Wiebe, from the Foothills Country Hospice for the money donated from the Poppy fund for the Bariatric bed. This was followed by the Awards for the Poster & Literary Competition to the students. The quality of work was excellent.
Service Pins were also awarded to members who were eligible. A list is attached.
2. **Introduction of Guests** – None
3. **Welcoming of New Members** – None
4. **Admission of transferred in and reinstated members.** None
 - **Additions to the Agenda**
Approval of the Agenda – **Motion** T England/M Tremblay **CARRIED**
5. **Minutes from previous meeting**
 - Errors – None
 - Adoption of the minutes
Motion J Boletta/R Haberstock **CARRIED**
6. **Business arising from previous minutes**
 - Veterans Dinner – Date is May 25th. So far we only have 21 people interested in attending the dinner, this may be in part a problem because the Western Wheel has not published the piece that was emailed by Mandie 3 weeks ago. It has been sent again. There had been a comment that because it was a dress dinner people didn’t want to wear Mess kit etc. Saturday May 12 is the cut off for the Elks so it may be that we have to maybe use the Duke or somewhere similar for a smaller group.

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7. Table Officer Reports

President's report – Attached to these minutes.

Motion – B McLeod/M Worobets **CARRIED**

Vice Presidents Reports

- 1VP – None
- 2VP – Raffle tickets/Money need to be back to Paul White asap please. Raffle drawn on June 12
Motion P White/R Herrington **CARRIED**
- 3VP/Sports Officer – Thankyou to all who participate. John sent out an email with regard to holding a Golf tournament, there has been a less than stellar response. Only 10 people have responded, this is not enough we need at least another 14 or it won't go ahead.
Motion J MacCormack/J Boletta **CARRIED**
- **Treasurers Report** – Brent still sick, so Comrade McLeod read out the report which is attached.
- **Secretary** – None

8. Reports of Standing Committees

- **Membership** – Attached to these minutes. **Motion** B Lee/R McLeod **CARRIED**
- **Veterans Services/Service Officer** –None
- **Poppy** – None
- **Sergeant at Arms** – None, just discussion re D-Day. There will be a Ceremony at the Cenotaph on June 3rd at 1800 for those who wish to attend. There will also be a trailer available for people who are not marching for the Okotoks Parade on June 16.
- **Sports** – None
- **Youth** – No report - Marcelle thanks Bev and Bob for all their help getting the Awards ready for tonight. Scholarships/Bursary applications from the schools are to be picked up soon and these will be looked at and decided on in September.
- **Ways and Means** – None
- **Entertainment** – None
- **Public Relations** – Further discussion about the piece for the Western Wheel, Mandies piece has been submitted again.

9. New Business

- Resolutions for Bursary Presentations
There were 3 Resolutions for the following:
 1. To award Shawn Aiden Singer a \$1000 Bursary. He will attend Vancouver Film school, studying for 3D Animation and visual effects.

Mover M Tremblay/J Churchill-Hughes **CARRIED**



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2. To award Luc Leslie a \$1000 Bursary, he will attend University of Calgary, studying in Open Studies doe 2 Majors in Business and Computer Science degrees.

Motion M Tremblay/B Lee **CARRIED**

3. To award Alexander Sheldrake a \$1000 Bursary, He will attend University of Lethbridge, studying for a Management degree.

Motion M Tremblay/Linda Clements **CARRIED**

- We have had two donations to the Building Fund, we would like to thank Mal Blasetti who donated \$100 in remembrance of Doug McNeil. and also Albert and Mavis Bowden who donated \$500. Letters of thanks have been sent by Bob.
- A motion was made to use \$350 from Poppy Fund for the storage of the Poppy Materials at the Elks Hall.

Motion R England/ Rick Onsescu **CARRIED**

- A motion was made to pay the 'Go Daddy' bill for \$191.88 for the Website to Mandie. Mandie stated that she had paid this out of her account for the last four years.

Motion G Kuntz/Bill McConkey **CARRIED**

- Rick Onsescu spoke about the Cenotaph. He has received the Quote to fix the Cenotaph and he will submit a report to the Legion shortly. He asked if we want to have the Legion lifted to allow for more crests. This will be discussed further.

10. General Welfare of the Branch -

- Hospital Passes are to be renewed next month.
- Legion Dinner is to be held on the last Friday in June and Vince Nguyen has said he will cook for us
- 50/50 Draw – Won by - Ticket # 5482034 Winner was John McLeod. John donated his winnings to the Building Fund. Thank you John!

11. Adjournment and Closing Ceremonies – Singing of God Save the Queen

Motion to adjourn made by J Boletta/G Kuntz. 2017 hrs

Next Meeting is June 12th 2018

Signed

B McLeod – President

M Barker - Secretary