



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

April 10th 2018

Present: Bob McLeod, John McLeod, Malcolm Hughes, Mandie Barker (Minutes), John MacCormack, Jenny Churchill Hughes, Dave Miles, Bev Lee, Rosemary McLeod, Shannon Worobets, Paul White, Ron England, Terri England, Linda Clements, Al Clements, John Boletta, Ken Lillehei, Joanne Cunningham, Kerriene England, Erica Owl, Marvin Burk, Brad Rae, Don Gallaher, Bev Lee, Carol McLeod, John McLeod.

Meeting Opened 1900 hrs.

Opening Ceremony – Singing of O’Canada.

1. Introduction of Guests – Jaime Miles, Lieutenant Maddock (Navy League), and Jo-Ann Fischer

2. Welcoming of New Members – None

3. Admission of transferred in and reinstated members. None

- **Additions to the Agenda**

Approval of the Agenda – **Motion** J Boletta/E MacCormack **CARRIED**

4. Minutes from previous meeting

- Errors – None
- Adoption of the minutes

Motion M Barker/T England **CARRIED**

5. Business arising from previous minutes

- Veterans Dinner – Date is May 25th. This is for Veterans and their spouses, Widows and Widowers of Veterans Only. Bonnie will cook and the event will be held in the lower space at the Elks. We will need volunteers from the Associate and Affiliate members as it is not expected that Veterans will serve at this event. We could also ask the cadets.
1800 for Cocktails
1900 for Dinner
Mandie will put the details in the Western Wheel asking for veterans to contact Malcolm including Non-Legion members.
- The District Rally was held on March 24th – In the Poster and Literary Competition, we got 2 x 1sts and 2 x 2nds at District Level the Poster and Literary, we will host the District 5 Poster and Literary Competition in 2019.



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There was discussion about the voting at the Rally's – Anyone can vote if they pay the attendance fee.

Only 2 can vote for new Executive.

Centennial is to be the next venue for the 2019 Rally.

- The sports schedule is out and will be sent out shortly.
- There is a new Poppy Manual, please make sure you have the current version.
- There is to be a crest developed – to identify those people who win sports events.
- Calgary Poppy Fund, has sent \$750k to support Service Officers.
- Malcolm let everyone know that there was no fraud at the Calgary Poppy Fund, there has been some mistakes made and they have not been made fraudulently.

6. Table Officer Reports

President's report – Attached to these minutes.

Motion – B McLeod/R England **CARRIED**

Vice Presidents Reports

- 1VP – None
- 2VP – Raffle tickets are selling well. All the money goes to the Gaming Account, which may later be approved to support building capital costs. Raffle drawn on June 12

Motion P White/R MacLeod **CARRIED**

3VP/Sports Officer – Thankyou to all who participate. The new Sports schedule will come out by email shortly. John will also send out an email with regard to holding a Golf tournament. We will see if there is any interest.

A motion was made to subsidize travel for members entry fees for sports events, ½ price per person, per event. \$12.50.

Motion J MacCormack/S Worobets **CARRIED**

Report moved – J MacCormack/L Clements **CARRIED**

- **Treasurers Report** – Brent still sick, so Comrade McLeod read out the report. (Attached)
- **Secretary** – None

7. Reports of Standing Committees

- **Membership** – Attached to these minutes. **Motion** B Lee/D Miles **CARRIED**
- **Veterans Services/Service Officer** –None
- **Poppy** – None
- **Sergeant at Arms** – None
- **Sports** – None

Youth – Schools – Marcelle talked about the Awards night. Thanks to Bev for all the Certificates. Letters and Invites have all been sent out.

Bursary/Scholarship forms are sent next week. The post-secondary Bursary Form is ready.

Motion 1 – To award 3 post-secondary Application Bursaries per year.

Motion M Tremblay/T England **CARRIED**



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- Motion 2 – Each of the 3 bursaries be Max \$2k each per year
- **Motion M Tremblay/S Worobets CARRIED**
- Motion 3 – Allow max 3 bursaries per individual lifetime including one High School.
- **Motion M Tremblay/T England CARRIED**

Bursaries only to be direct descendants. Bursary Applications to go on the website Deadline will be September 1st.

- **Ways and Means** – None
- **Entertainment** – None
- **Public Relations** – Mandie has again asked for pieces for the Western Wheel. The Dinner is to be put in there too.
- **Motion M Barker/L Clements CARRIED**

8. New Business

- Comrade McLeod read the resolution to Dominion re amending the Poppy Manual to allow contributions to memorial walls. Recommends this should go to Dominion. Moved and Seconded by the members
- **Motion J Boletta/ J MacLeod CARRIED**
- Chilliest - Held in October every year, has been offered to us along with the Kinsmen, Elks and Lions and is an excellent way to raise money. We will get help from Mark and also the lady from Dr Morris Gibson School. To be held on August 25th. Emma and Terri to take the lead for us. Volunteers please.
- John and Dave are to look at whether we can borrow some vehicles for the transporting of Non-Marchers at the Summer Parade.

9. General Welfare of the Branch -

- Special Events – Still being discussed – Vince Nguyen has said he will cook for us, likely at the end of June.
- 50/50 Draw – Won by - Ticket # 5481695 Winner was Terri England.

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

Motion to adjourn made by L Clements. 2019 hrs

Next Meeting is May 8th 2018

Signed

B McLeod – President

M Barker - Secretary