

CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS

WESTERN ONTARIO DISTRICT

MINUTES OF DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

Venus De Milo Restaurant, Chatham

May 20, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 1931. D/C Brain Govan, AP thanked everyone for coming. Thank you Cdr Larry Bell for arranging the excellent facilities.

1. ROLL CALL:

There were 44 members and guests present. Absent were D/Lt Larry Hicks, D/Lt Walter Spaunburg, D/Lt Jack Wittig,S, Cdr Joe Schiefer, Cdr Tom Orr, Cdr Eric Hatzenbuhler, and P/D/C Harvey Manser:

Present:

D/C Brian Govan, <u>AP</u>	D/Lt/C Pauline McKinnon, <u>AP</u>	D/Lt/C Norman Sonnenberg, <u>AP</u>
D/Lt/C Bill Anthony	D/Lt Sarah E. Cooke	D/Lt Walter McKenna, <u>N</u>
D/Lt Richard Ross,S	D/Lt Norman Wilson, <u>AP</u>	D/Lt Jay Connor,S
D/Lt Pat Pearson, <u>AP</u>	D/Lt Keith Roberts, <u>AP</u>	D/Lt Bill Trudell,S

D/Lt Christopher Borgal,	Cdr Larry Bell, <u>AP</u>	Cdr Harold Pryce
Cdr Tony Pritchard, <u>AP</u>	Cdr Robert Thompson	Cdr Mike Down

Cdr Duncan MacLennon	Cdr Bruce Wightman, <u>AP</u>	Imd P/D/C Robert Gallagher, <u>N</u>
P/D/C Fulton Charlton, <u>AP</u>		

Guests

P/D/C Vern Gray, <u>AP</u>	P/D/C Frank Kelly, <u>AP</u>	P/D/C Gerald C. Kirkland,JN
P/D/C Robert G. Lee, <u>AP</u>	P/D/C Earl Speller, <u>AP</u>	R/C Doug Wilson, <u>N</u>
P/D/C Ken Cucksey, <u>N</u>	S/Lt. Larry Rhame	S/C Robert Parke, <u>AP</u>
S/C Mike Down	Lt/C Mark Labadin	Lt/C Bob Daudlin
Lt/C Horst Ammann	Lt/C Theresa Hunter	Lt/C Evelyn Wightman
1st Lt Mary Pritchard	1st Lt Robert Burns	P/Cdr Clair Pearce
P/Cdr Bert Osterbrook	P/Cdr Jack Pearson, <u>AP</u>	P/Cdr Lou Cooke, <u>AP</u>
Jean Kirkland	Donna Gallagher	

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes dated March 6, 1992, as printed.

*****MOVED** by D/Lt Bill Trudell,S, seconded by D/Lt/C Norman Sonnenberg,AP, to approve the minutes as printed.

Minutes dated April 11, 1992, as printed.

*****MOVED** by D/Lt Keith Roberts,AP, seconded by D/Lt/C Norm Sonnenberg,AP to approve the minutes as printed.**CARRIED ***

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

March 8, 1992 Minutes: D/Lt/C Pauline McKinnon made mention that the motion made by Cdr Tom Orr, seconded by Cdr Bert Osterbrook and also made by R/C Doug Wilson, seconded by Cdr Bert Osterbrook that the deadline for the Nominating Committee to file the slate of Officers by December 31st of each year was not placed on the Agenda for the AGM - this will be put on the Agenda for the next AGM and the intention is to follow this procedure this year.

4. OFFICER'S REPORTS:

D/C BRIAN GOVAN, AP - very little to report.. Governing Board Meeting will be held June 12, 13, & 14, 1992, in Toronto and he plans to attend.

D/Lt/C PAULINE MCKINNON, AP - reported that she had written to thank all those who led workshops at the AGM. D/Lt Walter McKenna has sent information and suggestions for the budget which she has been asked to prepare. A preliminary copy has been sent to D/C Brian Govan and the final version should be ready for the June Meeting.

D/Lt/C BILL ANTHONY - reported that in order to determine whether the District Officers have in their possession an Operational Manual and Directory of National Officers, he sent a letter to the District members asking if they had these or not, has had some replies and asked that those who have not replied would they please do so. He has received information on insurance coverage which he will be looking into and also reported that plans for the Rendezvous are going well.

D/Lt/C NORMAN SONNENBERG, AP - reported training year is winding down and the overall picture is not too bad considering the economy is slow. To date, in Boating 498 passes, 38 failed and 105 DNW. this figure is terrible. Some Squadrons are still ordering Exams for every student without asking who is going to write, costing a lot of money to the organization. The failure rate appears low as the rewrites are deducted from the totals.

Seamanship:	14 Passes, 6 Failures, 15 DNW
SeaSail:	Still writing
AP:	25 Passes, 1 Failure, 4 DNW
Weather:	8 Passes, 3 Failures
Instructor Training:	11 Passes

Changes were made to our system at the National Meeting of D.T.O.'s, Course Directors, and Committee Chairmen held in Markham the same weekend as the AGM. Briefly, changes are as follows

- ☞ Boatwise Course which is designed for 8-12 year olds should be updated for Fall 1992 use.
- ☞ Marine Electronics new course is in the hands of the Editorial Committee and covers Loran C, Radar and GPS,
- ☞ Off Shore Sailing Course is just about ready.
- ☞ CPS Protractor could be ready for the Fall Training year.
- ☞ Marine Electronics Course is under review and is being updated.
- ☞ Boating Video for Student's notes was voted down at the present time.
- ☞ A Motion that a member of CPS who had passed the Boating Course be able to take the AP Course before taking the Seamanship Course was defeated - 3 in favour, 27 against.
- ☞ Training Year for Squadrons in our District is Sept 1 to Aug 1. Only ONE REWRITE of the failed part is permitted per training year. Section 3, page 3, Subsections 3.5.5.
- ☞ The Boating Exam Critique Sheet appears to be here to stay.

Expressed concern that the Boating Exam Open Book Part is the area where most of the failures are, also in the closed book part almost all students from all Squadrons do not know the arc of visibility of White Lights, Right of way, Horn and Fog Signals. The reversing of Lat & Long on the Log is another dandy.

D/Lt SARAH COOKE - nothing to report.

D/Lt WALTER McKenna, N reported a balance of \$6220.41 at the beginning of period, receipts \$406.24 giving total of \$6627.39. Expenditures of \$1141.15, leaving a bank balance as of May 20, 1992 of \$5486.24.

*****MOVED** by D/Lt Norm Wilson, seconded by Cdr Robert Thompson to accept the Treasurer's report as read. **CARRIED *****

D/Lt RICHARD ROSS, - nothing to report.

D/Lt NORMAN WILSON, AP - reported he needs to find out more information on CPS Foundation from National.

D/Lt JAY CONNOR, S - nothing to report.

D/Lt LARRY HICKS, S - absent, no report.

D/Lt PAT PEARSON, AP - reported two squadrons had Let's Be Boatwise programmes this Spring, would like to know if any other Squadrons have courses planned. A new Instructional Manual will be out this Fall. Also requesting names of Squadron youth Officers. (Each Squadron should be appointing a Youth Officer).

D/Lt KEITH ROBERTS, AP - reported The Royal Life Saving Society of Canada is working closely with CPS on Water safety initiatives. Regional news conferences suggest that representative from CPS take part in their press conferences for Water Smart Campaign for 1992. Brain Burch has written to the PRO's of Tillsonburg and Windsor with the dates of the press conferences in their area, he would like the Commanders of the Squadrons to follow up with their PRO's. - this is an excellent opportunity to get media exposure. National Safe Boating Week is June 7th - 13th, slogan is Be Boat Smart and each Squadron should have received a Media Kit.

D/Lt. WALTER SPAUNBURG - absent, no report.

D/Lt. BILL TRUDELL, S - nothing to report.

D/Lt. CHRIS BORGAL, AP - no official report, would like any information that is available and will make enquiries as to where past records are stored etc.

S/C ROBERT PARKE, AP -- reported 227 persons writing in 6 exams. In April Department of Communications visited 4 of our examinations, verbal comment was that the Power Squadrons were doing a commendable job in the examination of candidates - as soon as written report received will pass to D/C and D/T/O.

S/Lt LARRY RHAME - absent no report.

5. SQUADRON COMMANDER'S REPORTS:

CHATHAM - Cdr Larry Bell reported membership 209, bank balance \$7391.62.

ERIE SHORES WEST - Cdr Joe Schiefer absent, E/O Theresa Hunter reported membership 137, and financially solvent.

GODERICH - Cdr Harold Pryce reported membership 100, bank balance \$1600.00.

LONDON - Cdr Tony Pritchard reported membership 672, bank balance \$33160.39.

SARNIA - Cdr Robert Thompson reported membership 240, bank balance \$17133.39

ST. THOMAS - Cdr Michael Down reported membership 132, bank balance \$1200.00.

STRATFORD - Cdr Tom Orr absent, no report.

TILLSONBURG - Cdr Eric Hatzenbuhler absent, no report.

WALLACEBURG - Cdr Duncan McLennan reported membership 114, bank balance \$2304.54.

WINDSOR - Cdr Bruce Wightman reported membership 409, bank balance \$12027.90.

(Note: Full reports available for perusal from District Secretary. Membership numbers quoted are paid members to keep figures consistent.)

6. PAST DISTRICT COMMANDER'S REPORTS:

Immediate P/D/C Robert Gallagher, N expressed thanks for the gracious hospitality shown to himself and his wife, Donna, from all the Squadrons this past year. Grey Water situation well in hand, spoke to Fred Durham and notice of legislation will be made through press release.

P/D/C Harvey Manser - absent, no report.

P/D/C Vern Gray - nothing to report.

P/D/C Frank Kelly - nothing to report.

P/D/C Gerald C. Kirkland - nothing to report.

P/D/C Robert G. Lee - nothing to report.

P/D/C Earl Speller - thanked P/D/C Bob Gallagher and Chatham for presentation of Life Membership.

R/C Doug Wilson - nothing to report.

P/D/C Fulton Charlton - nothing to report.

P/D/C Ken Cucksey - nothing to report. Commented on how did the Windsor Newspaper get the information that the District was splitting - Pauline McKinnon had inadvertently given this information.

*****MOVED** by D/Lt Bill Trudell, S, seconded by 1st/Lt Bob Burns, that the reports as given by the Officers, Squadron Commanders and Past District Commanders, be approved and accepted.

CARRIED ***

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

District Rendezvous 1992 - Leamington

The Chairman of the Committee, Lt/C Dave Myles was not present. D/T/O Norm Sonnenberg reported on his behalf. A few Squadrons have been heard from, only 32 docks reserved. Everything going well. Please get registrations in. Some Squadrons stated their newsletters were going out this week with the information. P/Cdr Bert Osterbrook had a call from Shirley Parke-Rye who is in charge of ribbons, she requested a cheque be given to her and she would order the ribbons. The Committee members present were to attend to this.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

D/Lt Keith Roberts stated that "Waterline" is expanding its distribution taking in most of Western Ontario. Windsor has been providing a column on a regular basis and it has been suggested with this expansion that each Squadron should contribute. Mark Hoorebeck of Windsor Squadron has volunteered to co-ordinate, highlights of Squadron activities can be faxed to Mark and deadline for next issue is May 24, 1992. Mark's telephone # 519-944-8840, Fax 519-948-1963.

D/C Brian Govan mentioned that Stratford was putting together a Scrap Book of AGM and would appreciate any photographs that had been taken at the AGM. When complete the District will see it. It was suggested that each host Squadron of the AGM do the same.

D/Lt Walter McKenna requested that all Squadrons get their financial reports to National. He received a letter from Peter Meyler, PRO London Squadron requesting payment of \$350.00 from the District. (50% of cost of Boat Show). A lengthy discussion followed. Cdr Bruce Wightman said he had done an analysis and found that the Boat Show produced zero results, he quoted results from other forms of public relations. D/C Brain asked for a motion from the floor regarding this item.

*****MOVED** by D/Lt Jay Connor, seconded by Cdr Tony Pritchard that a donation be made to London Squadron of no more than 30 per cent of the initial cost of the Boat Show.

The Motion lost on a vote of 10 Yes, 12 No, 5 Abstentions - by majority vote the motion was lost but can be brought up again if more preparation is given to the issue.

S/C Robert Parke said that Port Franks have donated and are installing a new lateral Buoy to mark the Channel into Port Franks. Port Franks will be providing the funds to maintain this marker.

D/Lt Jay Connor has a contact selling GPS systems who will sell to CPS members for \$1200, retail \$1400. Anyone interested see Jay.

D/T/O Norm Sonnenberg commented that the new Marine Electronics Course will cover GPS. There are going to be three sections on Loran C, Radar, GPS. Discussion followed.

*****MOVED** by D/Lt/C Pauline McKinnon, seconded by D/Lt Bill Trudell, that Minutes of the March Council Meeting be mailed to Council Members so that they are received before March 31 of the same year. **CARRIED *****

D/C Brian Govan to ask D/Lt Walter Spaunburg to cover both Hydrographic and Weather (MAREP).

Immediate P/D/C Bob Gallagher presented P/D/C Vern Gray with his Life Membership.

*****MOVED** by D/Lt Bill Trudell, seconded by P/D/C Fulton Charlton, AP that the meeting be terminated at 2107. **CARRIED *****

D/Lt Sarah E. Cooke, District Secretary.