

**DOMINION COMMAND  
MINUTES OF THE RITUAL AND AWARDS COMMITTEE  
LEGION HOUSE  
Via ZOOM Conferencing, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 at 10:00HRS**

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In Attendance:           Blaine Kiley – Chair  
                              Mary Ann Latimer – Vice Chair  
                              Tony Chevalier – Member  
                              John Cher – Member  
                              Jack Porter – Member  
                              Don McCumber – Member  
                              Charls Gendron – Coordinator

**1.     OPENING RITUAL**

The meeting commenced at 10:05hrs and the opening ritual was observed.

**2.     APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: It was moved that the agenda of the committee meeting be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**3.     MOTION TO DEVIATE**

MOTION: It was moved to deviate from the agenda if so required.

**CARRIED**

**4.     CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS**

The Chair welcome all and wished the Best for the upcoming Holidays. He reminded the members that starting in January 2023, more strict prerequisites for all award submission will be in effect as previously discussed and mentioned to all Commands at the last DEC meeting.

**5.     CORRESPONDENCES**

The Chair mentioned that the last month saw more than normal queries in reference to Flag etiquette and display with all having been answered.

**6.     ADMINISTRATION**

Nil.

**7.     PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting held on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, were reviewed.

**MOTION:** It was moved that the minutes of the committee meeting, November 26th, 2022, be adopted as written.

**CARRIED**

## **8. DEC MEETING**

The Chair briefly recapitulated the main topics discussed at the DEC meeting of November with the following three that this Committee will be involved in some format:

- a. The Legion involvement in the upcoming RCAF Centennial celebrations.
- b. The Toronto Police Services program on Homelessness and the Royal Canadian Air Force Centennial celebrations and the Royal Canadian Legion possible involvement, and
- c. Op Harmony report and recommendations on inclusivity and recognition.

## **9. RAP MANUAL CHANGES**

In light of the recommendations to come from OP Harmony, the Chair stated that some amendments to the Manual will be forthcoming this year to be reviewed by the Committee. An example most likely to become protocol will be Land acknowledgement as part of all opening ceremonies

## **10. INFORMAL DRESS**

The motion agreed to by DEC to allow undress ribbons on the informal dress if a member should choose to will be included in the next round of manual amendment.

## **11. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

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## **13. FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting via Zoom will be held on Thursday , January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## **14. NEW or GENERAL BUSINESS**

The topic of the Provincial issue of the Platinum Jubilee medals was brought up. The Chair reiterated that the Legion National decision on such has been previously stated to all Commands that no such medals will be worn on Legion uniform and that any Provincial positions to the contrary has to be submitted thru the normal Resolution process for decisions by the DEC.

**15. CLOSING COMMENTS**

The Chair concluded by mentioning that he will be away in the USA for the winter months but will be in constant contact for the Committee business. The coming year is forecasted to be busy especially in light of the strategy report from OP Harmony in the spring and wishes the Best to all again for the Holidays.

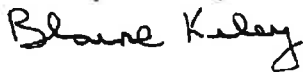
**16. MOTION TO ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: It was moved to adjourn the meeting.

**CARRIED**

**17. CLOSING CEREMONY**

The business being concluded; the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 AM.



Blaine Kiley

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Committee Chair



Charls Gendron

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Committee Secretary