

**DOMINION COMMAND  
MINUTES OF THE RITUAL AND AWARDS COMMITTEE  
LEGION HOUSE  
Via ZOOM Conferencing, 31 March 2022 at 10:00HRS**

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

Comrade Blaine spoke on the momentum to re-open Branches, carry election and activities after a difficult two-year hiatus for most that is a great positive sign. He mentioned the DEC April meeting and look forward to maybe see some of you in person at that time.

**5.     CORRESPONDENCES**

Nothing to report

**7.     ADMINISTRATION**

Nothing to report

## 8. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on February 24th, 2022, were reviewed.

**MOTION/AMENDMENT:** Comrade Don brought to the attention of the Committee that the reference of late connectivity mentioned in the last Minutes affected all members and not just him. Chairman motioned to: All members of the Committee experienced difficulties to connect via Zoom for the December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, meeting and thus were late joining in.

**CARRIED**

The Chair stated that he will distribute the draft Minutes of meeting to all members for comments and will require any returns within 24 hrs.

## 9. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

Command	MSM	MSA	Palm to MSM	Palm to MSA
BC/Yukon	2			
NS/NU	2			
Pin, AB/NWT	1			
NL/Lab	1			

## 10. PLATINUM JUBILEE PIN

An email was sent prior to the meeting to all members on this Commemorative project. As a number of them have been provided to the Royal Canadian Legion for distribution, a motion was deemed required for officializing the wearing of it on Legion dress. The following motion will be presented to DEC for approval:

**MOTION:** In addition to the already approved Legion Support our Troops Pin, the Platinum Jubilee Pin be authorized for wear on Legion dress as per Section 105 e. of the Ritual and Award (RAP) Manual from the date of issue until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.

**CARRIED**

## 11. INFORMAL LEGION DRESS

The Chair discussed this topic on an information basis for all new members. He explained the process that took place over the last two years in the development of the Informal dress and the blue shirt selection. He reiterated that the choice of pin authorized for wear with this type of shirt/dress is not left to the individual choice but is detailed at Section 101 of the RAP Manual. He finalized by stating that the RCL Supply Department is aware of the issue regarding how the present metal pins are not properly holding up and straight, and that they are working on a solution.

## 12. LIFE MEMBERSHIP- HOLDING BRANCH

The Chair referred to the email distributed prior to the meeting to all members on the topic. Emails were received that pointed to a discrepancy with Section 224 of the RAP manual with where the Authority lies for the approval of Life Membership for Holding Branches. The Chair will address the DEC and request for them to address the issue and for a final decision.

## 14. NEW or GENERAL BUSINESS

No New or General Business topic were tabled for discussion.

Comrade Don mentioned for information that NS/Nunavut Command will start implementing the requirement of including a completed checklist with all RCL award submission to their Command by Branches to confirm that all requirements have been met.

## 15. CLOSING COMMENTS

The Chair thanked the members for a great meeting and discussion. Notwithstanding the progress with the Covid pandemic, meetings will continue to be carry-out via the Zoom platform.

He also stated that if any members have concerns, questions, or issues on any RAP topics, that they can contact him at any time for answers and not need to wait till the monthly meeting of the Committee.

Finally, aware that some Provincial Command will be issuing medals for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, he will hold preliminary talks at the DEC meeting in reference to the official recognition of these to wear on Legion dress.

## 16. FUTURE MEETING

The next meeting is schedule to be held on April28th, 2022, 10:00AM EST.

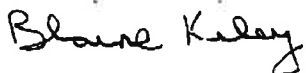
## 14. MOTION TO ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: It was moved to adjourn the meeting.

**CARRIED**

## 15. CLOSING CEREMONY

The business being concluded; the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.



Blaine Kiley

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Committee Chair



Charls Gendron

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Committee Secretary