

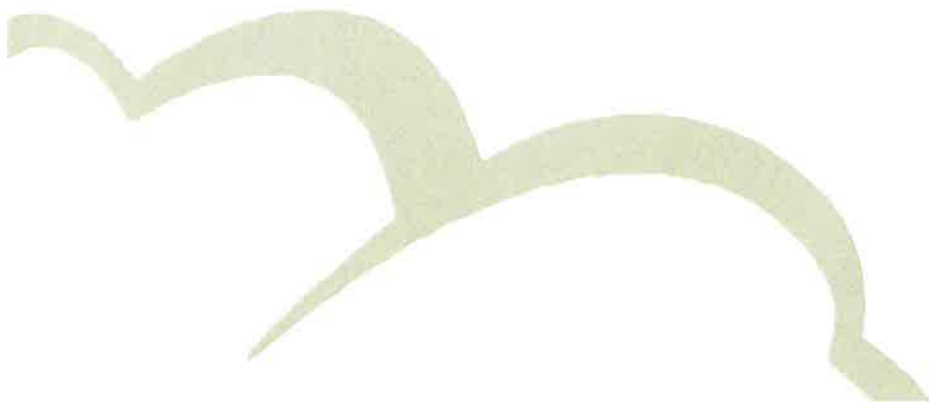
# **Dominion Command Ritual and Award Committee**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**2 April 2024**

Our Mission is to serve Veterans, which includes serving military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance and to serve our communities and our country.

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**DOMINION COMMAND  
MINUTES OF THE RITUAL AND AWARDS COMMITTEE  
LEGION HOUSE  
Via ZOOM Conferencing, 2 April 2024 at 10:00HRS**

**File: 51-2**

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

**1.    OPENING RITUAL**

The meeting commenced at 10:100hrs 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 thanked all members for the last-minute rescheduling of the meeting. He mentioned the upcoming DEC meeting this month and look forward to good discussions with the Provincial Executives Directors. The RCL Call for Convention has been issued and we may receive some resolutions this coming month. If the case, Committee returns will be done electronically.

**5.    CORRESPONDENCES**

**All general queries received in the first two months of the years have been resolved.**

6. **ADMINISTRATION**

Nil.

7. **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 29 February 2024, were reviewed.

**MOTION: To approve the Minutes of 29 February 2024.**

**CARRIED**

8. **MEDAL RIBBON**

This point was brought by the Chair following an inquiry. RCL policy only allows Branches Zones or Commands to order medal ribbon for replacement or re-mounting for members and cannot be ordered directly by businesses involve in those services.

9. **HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

In reference to an inquiry from Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command, the Chair reiterated that this Honour is meant for non-RC members and must be submitted to DEC directly for their approval, as per Section 231 of the RAP Manual. Details on the drafting and required documentation for such submission are the directed to the Dominion Command Membership Department. The Ritual and Award Committee is not involved in this process.

10. **RAP Manual Review**

The Chair stated that the manual review considering the ADI Committee recommendations will be done this year. The Committee Coordinator will initiate it and present the changes to the members for approval.

**Action: Committee Coordinator**

11. **CHAPLAIN MANUAL**

The Chair informed the Committee that the new approach detailed in last month Committee Minutes has been approved. The Manual review will not take place, instead a reference to the CF Chaplain Manual for any directions on religious aspects for RCL events will be included in the RAP Manual.

Once this approach finalized, information will be disseminated thru all Branches thru the Legion Dispatch.

**Action: Committee Coordinator**

**12. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

Command	MSM	MSA	Palm to MSM	Palm to MSA
NS/NU	1			
ONT	2		1	

**13. NEW or GENERAL BUSINESS**

**50 YEAR LONG SERVICE MEDAL**

Following an inquiry on the supporting requirements for this honour versus other like the Meritorious Service Medal, the Chair will seek clarification on the original intend and the basis for awarding it. The Committee Coordinator will report to the Committee next month.

**Action: Committee Coordinator**

**14. FUTURE MEETING**

The next virtual Committee meeting will take place on 2 May 2024.

**16. CLOSING COMMENTS**

The Chair thanked everyone and looked forward to report of the DEC meeting outcome next month.

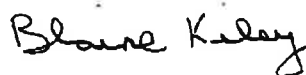
**17. MOTION TO ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: It was moved to adjourn the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

**18. CLOSING CEREMONY**

The business being concluded; the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM.



**Blaine Kiley**

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**Committee Chair**



**Charls Gendron**

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**Committee Secretary**