

Dominion Command Ritual and Award Committee

Meeting Minutes

2 May 2024

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

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

Excused: Jack Porter – Member

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 spoke to an excellent DEC weekend which brought very conversions with the Provincial Executives Directors. Much information was passed on the upcoming National convention and with the plans for the RCL Centenary celebrations.

5. CORRESPONDENCES

Nil.

6. ADMINISTRATION

Nil.

7. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 2 April 2024, were reviewed.

MOTION: To approve the Minutes of 2 April 2024.

CARRIED

8. COLOR GUARDS

This point was brought by the Chair as info following an inquiry by N.S. Command. There is no provision for any formal directives/guidelines for a Colour Guard as part of any funeral protocol.

9. 50 YEARS SERVICE MEDAL

In reference to an inquiry as to the requirements for awarding the subject medal, the National Executive level has confirmed that the payment of RCL dues for 50 continuous years is the only basis for this medal and is up to individual Branches to initiate the process to present it to a qualifying member.

10. DEC COMMITTEE

As he stated in his opening remarks, it was a great opportunity to meet with more members than usual with the attendance of Provincial Executive Directors and some members of this committee. Meeting the Minister of Veterans Affairs was particularly appreciated and gave the opportunity to discuss very pressing issues and receive great feedback on them from the executive source. Various motions were voted on and the results will be disseminated thru the normal information channels including the Legion Dispatch. The RAP manual will be amended if required over the next iteration of amendments.

Action: Committee Coordinator

11. REVIEW OF RESOLUTIONS

The Committee was presented with four resolutions and discussions ensued. The results will be provided to the National Executives as per process for further vote at the National Convention in August.

Action: Committee Coordinator

12. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

Command	MSM	MSA	Palm to MSM	Palm to MSA
NS/NU	1	1		
ONT	3		1	
AB/NWT				1

13. NEW or GENERAL BUSINESS

LEGION BAR.

Following an inquiry on creating a Bar for Legion Past Office medal was discussed. Consensus was not in support of this proposition but is ultimately up to a resolution from the grassroots level if this is to be considered as for any other changes.

14. FUTURE MEETING

The next virtual Committee meeting will take place on 23 May 2024.

16. CLOSING COMMENTS

The Chair thanked everyone and appreciated their inputs in this busier than usual meeting agenda.

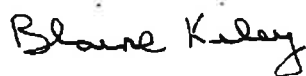
17. MOTION TO ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: It was moved to adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

18. CLOSING CEREMONY

The business being concluded; the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 AM.



Blaine Kiley

Committee Chair



Charls Gendron

Committee Secretary