

	<p>Moving forward there is more work to be done and the President has confidence in the excellent Guild team.</p> <p>Guild planning should keep in mind future milestones including: 140th Anniversary of The Regiment this year and the 125th Anniversary of Leliefontein and 80th Anniversary of Leewarden in 2025.</p>	
3.	<p>Review AGM 26 January 2023 ROD.</p> <p>No Discussion or questions.</p> <p>Motion to accept passed.</p>	<p>Motion Mr. Riganelli, Second Mr. Boire</p> <p>Passed Unanimously</p>
4.	<p>Review 1st Quarter Meeting 26 January 2023 ROD.</p> <p>No discussion or questions.</p> <p>Motion to accept passed.</p>	<p>Motion Mr. Nickerson, Second Mr. Forsyth</p> <p>Passed Unanimously</p>
5.	<p>CFO Quarterly Update.</p> <p>The CFO presented the 2nd Quarter report (Attachment A). It was noted that the Guild finances remain in good shape.</p> <p>The in-year spending exceeds budget estimates since the funding for serving soldiers for the Leeuwarden trip was not budgeted for this FY. However, the budget compares well to previous years.</p> <p>Mr. Fulton inquired about donations collected last year for the Leeuwarden trip. The CFO stated that these funds were accounted for in last year's budget, however, in future he would consider restricting the funds if there is a similar situation.</p> <p>Motion to accept the Quarterly update passed.</p>	<p>Motion Mr. Boire, Second Mr. Leblanc</p> <p>Passed Unanimously</p>
6.	<p>Governance Update.</p> <p>Mr. Fulton commented on previous discussions to split the Secretary/Treasurer position. He stated that this would require a change to the bylaws. More investigation is needed on this issue. In the interim, Mr. Atkins will perform the secretarial duties IAW the Secretary Terms of Reference until such time that the bylaws are formally amended.</p> <p>There were no other governance updates.</p>	<p>Mr. Fulton</p>
7.	<p>Business Plan Update.</p> <p>Mr. Frank continues to work on the next business plan with a draft ready for BOD review in June and publication by end-</p>	<p>Mr. Frank</p>

	<p>Summer.</p> <p>Mr. Frank presented an overview slide (Attachment B) of the draft Five-Year Strategic Outlook showing main pillars with significant events until 2027.</p> <p>Mr. Lee asked that the 150th Anniversary be added to the strategic outlook. He noted that there was about a two-year preparation to execute the 125th event. It took time to source the required scarlets and accoutrements.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Quality of Life (QOL) Update.</p> <p>Mr. Leblanc stated the QOL budget will expend this FY except for the support to the fallen line item, which has not spent anything yet.</p> <p>A sample of the new retirement coin and case was shown to the Guild board members. Everything is final except for the case' brass inlay, which will follow soon. The coin will be given to all Dragoons with at least five years of service upon retirement from the CAF. The retirement package instructions are almost done. The coin will be ready for first issue by 1 May 2023. Mr. Frank asked that the draft instruction be sent to the Guild board members for comment. The President thanked those who worked on this project.</p> <p>A plaque will be placed at the gym noting the contribution by the Guild. A box will be nearby with Guild information pamphlets. The pamphlets will encourage donation through the Y007 account.</p>	<p>Mr. Leblanc</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>RFAC Update.</p> <p>Maj Ring stated that members of The Regiment appreciate the work and contributions of the Guild to QOL. However, the focus has been Petawawa, and more could be done for the soldiers at C Sqn Gagetown.</p> <p>A proposal was presented to procure gym equipment for the C Sqn lines; to be set up in an unused tank bay. An initial estimate of \$15,000 had been rationalized to \$4,900 for a best value solution. Some discussion followed, since this is the first time the board has seen this proposal. Some thought the proposal should be reviewed and voted on at the next meeting. It was necessary that the equipment be portable, in case of a future move. It was noted that this expenditure was not in this year's budget. Options were to include in next year's budget or use some of this year's uncommitted QOL budget for support to the fallen.</p> <p>A motion was presented to procure the C Sqn gym equipment from this year's QOL budget, using \$5,000 of a planned budget</p>	<p>Motion Mr. Forsyth, Second Mr. Nickerson</p> <p>Passed Unanimously</p>

	of \$10,000 from the support to fallen line item.	
10.	<p>History and Heritage Update.</p> <p>Mr. Skelding continues planning for an update to the RCD gallery at the CFB Petawawa museum. A brainstorming session was held with members of History and Heritage Committee and museum staff. A presentation on the concept for an updated RCD gallery was given by Mr. Skelding (Attachment C). The current RCD gallery was opened in 1992. This gallery is based heavily on photographs, with a small number of physical artifacts. A proposed floorplan for a new gallery was shown. The proposal included more display cases for artifacts, including a feature display for the four retired Guidons, Kings Colour and medals. It was noted that the Guidons and Kings Colour are not currently co-located, and this would be a separate effort with DND History and Heritage to bring them together. The next phase of work is to define the plan in more detail and develop cost estimates. Discussions favoured the effort so far.</p> <p>Mr. Nickerson updated the board on recently set up displays of Regimental trophies and historical weapons in Y137. There has been favourable feedback from the soldiers.</p> <p>Mr. Nickerson stated that he is being posted and will resign from the board; this is his last meeting. The President and all board members thanked Mr. Nickerson for his excellent work with the Guild.</p>	<p>Mr. Skelding Mr. Nickerson</p>
11.	<p>Fundraising Update.</p> <p>Ms. Williams is working on the Terms of Reference for the Fundraising Committee with the Coordinator.</p> <p>Draft fund-raising plan is being developed.</p> <p>A letter explaining donations to the Guild through CandaHelps has been drafted. The final version will be distributed soon to donors and through the association. The President stated that many are not aware of this donation method and that maximum distribution of the letter to the Regimental family is important.</p> <p>Grants for the Guild are being investigated; potentially from VAC or History and Heritage Canada.</p>	<p>Ms. Williams</p>
12.	<p>Awareness Update.</p> <p>50% of budget is committed or spent.</p> <p>Spartan Team participation is very popular with members of The Regiment; so far 60 pers are involved. Events include Mt. Tremblant, Calabogie and Toronto. The Spartan budget is fully</p>	<p>Mr. Follwell</p>

	<p>committed at present and a sitrep with new cost estimate has been requested.</p> <p>The deadline for articles for the next edition of Springbok/Dragoon is 1 May 2023. The Guild will have a section. This year's edition will be sent to the publishers in June, with distribution in the fall.</p> <p>The website and method of distribution of Regimental documents continues to be improved.</p> <p>All board members are requested to provide updates on the task tracker before the next meeting.</p>	
<p>13.</p>	<p>Report on Leeuwarden Trip.</p> <p>A Regimental contingent consisting of the COR, Mr. Skelding, Mr. Follwell and five serving soldiers recently returned from a trip to Leeuwarden commemorating the wartime efforts of the RCD and assistance to the people of Holland. The Guild, supported by the Association, paid for the travel of five soldiers: Cpl Derek Edgell (A Sqn), Cpl Darnai Sukonthapanich (RHQ), MCpl Alexandra Brisson (RHQ), MCpl John Gaetz (C Sqn) and Captain Meredith Faulkner (HQ Sqn). The contingent followed the Holland route of the RCD and participated in many town and cemetery ceremonies. The trip was an outstanding success. The itinerary may be used again for the 80th anniversary. The RCD flag that flew at Leeuwarden will be framed and presented to Don White; perhaps at his barbeque in July.</p>	<p>President Mr. Skelding</p>
<p>14.</p>	<p>Op CONNECTION (Business/Prominent Canadian Connection with CAF units).</p> <p>The COR and CO are planning OP CONNECTION with the Patron. This will be linked to a Regimental training event, likely in September. Details to follow.</p>	<p>President</p>
<p>15.</p>	<p>Upcoming Events.</p> <p>Funeral – MWO (Ret) Carl Cox, 20 May, Beechwood Cemetery, Ottawa, ON</p> <p>Funeral – Capt (Ret) William van Leeuwen, 20 May, Beechwood Cemetery, Ottawa, ON</p> <p>Funeral – MCpl (Ret) Larry Welland, 25 May, Carleton Place, ON</p> <p>Funeral – Lcol (Ret) John Beswick (WWII Vet), 25 June, Perth, ON</p> <p>Armd Corps Barbeque, 29 July, Perth, ON</p>	

16.	Closing Remarks. The President thanked everyone for their efforts. Continue the good work.	President
17.	Next Meeting. The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for 26 July 2023.	President
18.	Adjournment. The President closed the meeting at 1526 hrs.	Motion to adjourn Mr. Forsyth, Second Mr. Lee Passed unanimously

Attachments:

- A. 2nd Quarter FY23 CFO Report
- B. Guild Five Year Strategic Outlook
- C. Guild Museum Rebuild Presentation



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 Approved - Yes No