



1180-1 (Adjt)

16 August 18

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HOME STATION REGIMENTAL SENATE (HSRS) EXECUTIVE MEETING, 14 JUNE 2018

Chair: Col (Ret'd) P.J. Williams

Members in attendance:

LGen (Ret'd) M.K. Jeffery (dial-in)

Members unable to attend:

BGen R.W. Goodyear

Col (Ret'd) C.G. Simonds

Col (Ret'd) C.R. Simonds

LCol J.L. Cochrane

MWO (Ret'd) C. Gibson

MWO (Ret'd) M.R. McEwan

Ex Officio in attendance:

LCol S.G. Haire (dial-in)

LCol A.D. Macintyre (dial-in)

LCol R.T. Stimpson (CO designate 1 RCHA)

Capt S. Hinman-Miller

CWO M.G. Campbell (dial-in)

1. Item 1 – Call to Order
 - a. The meeting was called to order at 0807 hrs CST by the Chair.
2. Item 2 - Introductions
 - a. Those present and dialed-in made introductions.
3. Item 3 – Confirmation of Agenda
 - a. The Chair confirmed the agenda dated 14 June 2018 and asked if any members present had any issues with the agenda.
4. Item 4 – Review of Previous Minutes
 - a. The Chair inquired if any members present had any questions or remarks arising from the previous minutes;
 - b. The Chair tabled the idea to approach former command teams of the 1st & 3rd Regiments to garner support for the HSRS and integrate with the RCA website creating a donate button for the funds associated with the home station and the RCA.
 - c. The Chair tabled his support to send 1 member from the 1st Regiment on the Op HUSKY anniversary battlefield tour with the intent of the member (Bdr Streberg) going at no cost to the member. **Secretarial Note:** The Chair subsequently presented a cheque to the Adjt for \$2000.00 to this end. Pending the establishment of a more formal financial management structure, the cheque was forwarded to NPF to be held in trust.
 - d. LCol Haire asked the Adjt 1RCHA to determine best practice with Regimental Major RCA for members to donate to the Op HUSKY Tour within current financial constructs **Secretarial Note:** In speaking with the Regt Maj best practice appears to be to set up a trust within the unit fund for the purpose of sending Bdr Streberg on the tour.
 - e. The Chair discussed idea for commemoration of the RCA 150th in 2021 to include a commemorative book. The HSRS will wait to see what the Artillery Senate has planned before going on with any individual commemorations.
5. Item 5 – Actions arising from previous minutes
 - a. The Chair asked if there were any actions required from previous minutes. The Executive had no comments or questions.
6. Item 6 – Election of New Executive member – Maj (Ret'd) Jim Fisher
 - a. Due to members of the Executive being unable to attend, the Chair decided on conducting the election secretarially by email. No members in attendance made objection. **Secretarial Note:** The Chair subsequently approach other Executive members via email and in person to solicit their support. Sufficient votes were received in support of Maj (Ret'd) Fisher joining the Executive and he was so informed by the Chair on 13 July. Maj (Ret'd) Fisher indicated that he was honored to be joining the Executive.

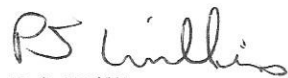
7. Item 7 – Potential Senate Financial Management Framework
 - a. The Chair tabled the discussion to determine the best framework in which to move forward with. The Chair proposed using the NPF structure as the best option utilizing a link on the RCA website to provide an avenue to donate.
 - b. LCol Haire asked if pay allotments would be allowed for serving members the Chair responded that would an excellent and viable way for serving members to donate under the NPF framework.
 - c. LGen (Ret'd) Jeffery reiterated the concern that some members of the Executive had: that there would not be receipts under certain frameworks. LGen (Ret'd) Jeffery stated under NPF as a Qualified Donee the HSRS would be able to give receipts. He also commented that there appears to be no downside to being a Donee vice a charity and that becoming a charity would most likely be prohibitive in both time and cost.
8. Item 8 – Annual Senate 'Battle Rhythm'
 - a. The Chair proposed a battle rhythm of 2x Executive meetings and 1x full Senate meeting per year. To include 1x Executive meeting at JOC and 1 x in the summer with 1x full Senate meeting taking place in the winter.
 - b. LGen (Ret'd) Jeffery agreed including that time TBD by CO 1st Regiment;
 - c. LCol Haire agreed including that we have teleconference capability so, if required, members can dial-in to the meetings. He also stated that the senate may need to conduct more meetings as more money is collected within the HSRS financial framework.
 - d. LCol Stimpson included that at JOC we can reach a wider audience to include the COs and RSMs of the other Regiments.
9. Item 9 – Outreach to senate members in order to increase engagement
 - a. The Chair tabled leveraging the RCA Reunion. Making a 5 min video to introduce the Senate and if people are interested to get involved providing contact information.
 - b. LCol Haire posed that the Adj1 RCHA to be included in the contact information IOT facilitate remembering who to contact.
 - c. The Chair has socialized the idea of conducting a second interview with the Brandon Sun to promote engagement in the community.
10. Item 10 – Further Activities potentially meriting senate support.
 - a. 2019 – 75th Anniversary of the Invasion of Normandy;
 - b. 2020 75th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Netherlands;
 - c. 2021 - 150th Anniversary of the Formation of A and B Batteries;
 - d. Afghanistan Memorial; and
 - e. CFB Shilo Nijmegen Team.

11. Item 11 – Expansion of Senate role to include advocacy for Home Station issues
 - a. The Chair tabled the discussion to expand advocacy for Home Station issues to include advocating that Shilo is an isolated base.
 - b. LCol Macintyre discussed working with CO 1st Regiment to determine any services lodger units may require, and to get the word out through DGMWS to push the Shilo narrative with the caveat that any changes come through 3rd Canadian Division. LCol Macintyre also advocated the relationship with the Brandon community and government; specifically referencing looking at a way promote the museum and determining a way to link us to the Brandon Community.
 - c. LGen (Ret'd) Jeffery commented that there is a difference between national and regional objectives stating that we need to determine what we leverage and how do we advocate for the Home Station again stating that advocacy needs to be handled “surgically”.
 - d. The Chair cited that the HSRS should go back to BGen Goodyear with issues that need to be advocated; however, the Senate must not interfere with the chain of command.
12. Item 12 – Other Business
 - a. LCol Haire thanked Col (Ret'd) Williams for setting up the Senate
 - b. The Chair commented that he has a meeting with the Honoraries of 26th Fd Regt and will discuss the operation of the Senate and fundraising so as not to double up donations from individuals in the Brandon community. **Secretarial Note:** The Chair met with HCol Felstead and HLCol Dangerfield in Brandon on 14 June. 26th Fd Regt has its own Senate which works to the COs priorities. While both Senate agreed to share lessons learned and best practices, it was also agreed that the HSRS would keep its fundraising activities on a national basis, thus permitting the 26th Fd Regt Senate to continue to focus their efforts more locally in communities such as Brandon, Portage La Prairie, Kenora, Regina and Yorkton. Should the need arise for the HSRS to undertake fundraising in the local communities mentioned, then both Senates would discuss this first.
13. Item 13 – Next Meeting
 - a. It was agreed that the next meeting would be during RCA Junior Officer Course (JOC) 26-30 Sept 18 with the specific date and time TBC.
14. Item 14 – Meeting adjournment
 - a. Meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 0830 hrs CST.

Recommended

S. Hinman-Miller
Captain
Adjutant 1 RCHA

Approved



P.J. Williams
Colonel (Retired)
President

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