

Meeting Minutes
Friends of "88" Squadron Society Regular Meeting
And Annual General Meeting
292120 Wagon Wheel Blvd, Calgary
Wednesday, May 31, 2023

Attendees: Peter Davis, Carmen Volk, Donna Labreche, Dustin Walker, Lynnae Miller, Rob Heiduk, Mike Lyon, Phoenix Lyon, Chrispy Chemerys, Collynda V Gamma Da Silva, Cheryl Dorn, James Guy, Shara Bittle, Bryan Treichel, Sherry Nadeau, Kellee Davis, Jill Munday, Part Nandra, Sandeep Nandra,

Agenda	Notes	Action
1. Call to Order	Called to order by Carmen Volk at 7:04	
2. Approval of the Agenda	Motion by: Mike Lyon Seconded by: Chrispy Chemerys	
3. Approval of the previous Minutes (April 2023) posted at www.airdrieaircadets.ca	Motion by: Cheryl Dorn Seconded by: Bryan	
4. Reports from officers	<p>a. Squadron Officer Report</p> <p>Mjr Williams – Mess Dinner was really good – 2 cadets that planned and did a good job. Kids outside tonight because we had 14 kids fall out – some because they were not wanting to march/stand. For ACR we will need volunteers to help with kids that do fall out at ACR. We are at 90+ cadets. Are already getting phone calls for kids wanting to join. They will have to wait until fall. We will cap out at 100-110. Those who are 'late joiners' will be moved up to the same age group to be with their peers. We were able to get out gliding with older cadets. Not much left in the year. BBQ will be the 14th of June and Mjr Williams will share the information about summer courses that evening. The evening will be info for those going on summer courses. BBQ is open to everyone. Summer courses needed to be applied for in January/February. Level 1's – day course only. Level 2's is a two week with a weekend away. We are slowly hearing about course participation offers. Notification will come out from the admin staff. If your kids are still not on Cadet365 they need to see Cpt Pike. BBQ sign up is in the newsletter to the PARENTS not on Cadet 365. Your kids do not need to re-enroll in cadets for September, just those who will be new to the program. We will continue to parade at St Mina's in the fall. Towards the end of August will be on our website, we will start to parade mid –</p>	

	<p>September. Our squadron choses to do our promotions in the fall. If uniforms are needed now, order them now. Our previous supply officer CI Hilton has left, and Cpt Taylor has taken over as supply officer.</p> <p>b. League Report – Peter Davis – see attached</p>	
5. Bank Balance Update – Review of 2021/2022 books	<p>a. Came in way under budget for Mess Dinner – \$1559.25 for caterer - thanks to those who served</p> <p>b. Jill and Shara did an audit of our books for 2021 – 2022 and no questions were raised. We need to elect 2 people to audit for 2022 – 2023 training year next year. Chrispy Chemerys and Phoenix Lyon have volunteered.</p> <p>c. This facility costs us \$22,000 a year. We will need to pick up on fundraising for next year.</p> <p>d. Bottle drives – not able to do in person this last year. Drop off were successful and we are registered at</p> <p>e. Our casino brought in \$50,000 last year – but we only get one every 3 years</p> <p>f. \$1500 from calendars</p> <p>g. Donation from legion, \$9600</p> <p>h. \$12,000 in LSA funding</p> <p>i. Swag brought in \$500- \$600</p>	
6. Old Business	a.	
7. Year End BBQ, volunteers needed	a. Sign up in newsletter	
8. Firewood Fundraiser Update	a. We unfortunately lost money on this fundraiser – we had 12 families order, we chose to advertise in the newspaper. We lost \$18.87. Thanks to James and Dustin for helping to organize this fundraiser. Discussion about when to do this fundraiser if we do this again. Suggestion to have prizes for cadets who bring .	
9. Soft items Fundraiser Update	Phoenix Lyon – thank you very much for all the work she put in. About 20 families participated, we collected 2057lb, \$561.41 This is the first time we have done this fundraiser.	
10. Fundraising Discussion for next year, fundraising cheques from each family	<p>a. Do we ask everyone for a fundraising cheque?</p> <p>b. We were asked to step up communication that we send out – parents not always reading it</p> <p>c. Possible to look at an app for parents – called Band or maybe a What’s Ap parent letter</p> <p>d. Is there a way for a parent group chat</p> <p>e. App called Team Snap</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> f. Cash Call – Bryan said that we looked into this years ago – there is not many programs that are completely free – perhaps we need to let parents know what it does cost per year for a cadet – give the option for pay what you can g. Is there an opportunity for us to ask for support form aviation companies through corporate sponsorship – would not be able to use the cadets in any way to engage - h. What about having awards sponsored by a corporation – could put sponsors on the website – and have them hand out an award – can be invited out to ACR, or CO Parade, CO would make decision for a reviewing officer for a CO Parade i. Maybe use parades for communication – maybe a printed newsletter j. Flip Give – purchase gift cards and donation 	
11. ACR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Annual Ceremonial Review – Saturday, June 10th - – kids show up at 8:30, we will feed them lunch, parents show up at 12:30 – kids show up in their Civies, and bring their blues 	
12. Volunteer Needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Need a volunteer to pick up bottles a Shelbar the last Wednesday of the month, between 7:30 – 4pm – they are located off East Lake Blvd. Chrispy has volunteered to do this. 	
13. Carmen’s last meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Thank you for having me as your chair for the last 4 years 	
14. Adjournment of Regular Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Meeting ajourned – 8:24pm 	
15. Annual General Meeting – Elections of SSC Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Peter takes over for the AGM b. Voting in 5 directors – directors decide amongst themselves who will be chair and divide the duties. c. Putting forward the following: Jill Munday, Chery Dornl, Carmen Volk, Sarah Lyon and Donna Labreche d. Now is the time to ask questions – clarification that Carmen is leaving as chair, but will still be put forward as a director e. Vote – Sarah Lyon – unanimous f. Vote – Donna Labreche – unanimous g. Vote – Carmen Volk - unanimous h. Vote – Cheryl Dorn - unanimous i. Vote – Jill Munday - unanimous j. 	
16. Adjournment of AGM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 8:45pm 	



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SSC Advisor Report

National Effective speaking will be held June 3rd, [2023](#)

The APC held the Golf Tournament and raised some funds.

The APC is now sending out the funds from the calendar sales from last year. The new raffle tickets for next year are currently being printed.

The APC is making changes to the [Netook](#) gliding site. We are expanding the runway.

Reminder that the league has numerous awards available. Awards for provincial are due by end of June. There are quite a few [post](#) secondary bursary awards as well as volunteer awards. Details are available on the website.

If you have any league related [questions](#) please contact me directly.