

Meeting Minutes
Friends of "88" Squadron Society Regular Meeting
292120 Wagon Wheel Blvd, Calgary
Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Attendees: Carmen Volk, Donna Labreche, Sarah Lyon, Jill Munday, Cheryl Dorn, Aaron Richter, Dustin Walker, Lynnae Miller, James Guy, Chrispy Chemerys, Shara Bittle, Rob Heiduk, Janelle Ward, Marianna Lazar, Pavel Jacobs Elisha O'Dhoherty Upchuk, Analyn Machahia, Tikky Faizuddin, Cheryl Dorn, Ruta Alazar, Jill Munday, Mike Lyon Adam Vallier, Katrina Harris

Agenda	Notes	Action
1. Call to Order, Welcome, Intros	Called to order by Carmen Volk 7:01pm	
2. Approval of the Agenda	Motion by: Jill Munday Seconded by: Lynnae Miller	Carried
3. Approval of the previous Minutes (October 5, 2022)	Motion by: Jill Munday Seconded by: Cheryl Dorn	Carried
4. Reports from officers – to be posted at www.airdrieaircadets.ca	<p>a. SSC Advisor – Peter Davis – see attached</p> <p>b. Squadron Officer Report – Major Williams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUMMER TRAINING • 96 cadets right now • Level 1's: Summer Courses (CAP)– 5 days at Balzac Hall, daytime only July 10th -14th – lunches are fed to them – no cost to parents – part of the DND cadet budget • Level 2's – CAP – July 10 – 17th at Balzac Hall, join Level 1's, spend weekend at Rocky Army Camp – • Level's 3, 4 and 5 – lots of options, presentation on the Website; 4 week courses, 1 week online and 3 weeks in person; not all cadets get to go, depending on various things • Tonight Cpt Halis will put out the google form to apply for applying for Summer Training – admin team will submit these to CAF. Your cadet will find these on Cadet365 • See Q & A below • OTHER ITEMS • Training for next year is changing – trying to change it to have combined training for weekend option things. Wednesday nights will not change. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marksmanship: Cadets require safe handling for marksmanship. Some levels will be at Cedarwood Station and some will be at St. Mina’s for regular training. Timing is different too to accommodate parents with cadets in different levels. At Cedarwood – do not go into the building. Go to the back of the building and have your cadet WALK down the ramp. We use the parkade at Cedarwood Station for practice • Last week was Coin Parade – First time EVERY recipient was there! Must have 75% attendance on Wednesday night to get their coin and 2 years of service • Effective Speaking – Carmen to cover more • FTX – See Below in new business <p>c. Airdrie Legion Report – Wayne Stretch – not available tonight</p> <p>d. Treasurer Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1170 raised selling bacon • Unknown yet for calendars and casino • Accounts are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casino \$5052 • Main: \$125,710 • Savings: \$27, 081 • GIC 1: \$16, 336 • GIC 2: 47,647 • GIC 3 \$151,125 • Carmen will follow up with money that is on account at Hometown Bottle Depot 	
<p>5. Old Business</p>	<p>a. Review Budget posted at www.airdrieaircadets.ac</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carmen went over general categories. • What increases have we had compared to last year? YES, LHQ rent expense on City of Airdrie property – an additional \$200/month <p>Motion to approve: Cheryl Dorn</p> <p>Seconded by Chrispy Chemerys</p>	<p>Carried Motion voted unanimous</p>

<p>6. New Business</p>	<p>a. FTX Overview and motion for Mug Up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5pm on March 10th – at LHQ – Kit Inspection – look at Kit List earlier rather than waiting in case things need to be purchased – if there are things to be purchased and there is financial concerns, please contact our Chair, Carmen Volk • Kit List is on the Website. • 5pm on March 12 – pick up at LHG • Activities organized – 503 for Senior Cadets • Cadets bond on these trips • We have some parent volunteers we are trying to get screened to help with supervision • If kids misbehave, parents will be called to pick up • Heat, electricity, flush toilets (luxurious) – no showers • Classes – set training for survival • Kids will eat MREs – the kids love them – • Cabins – sr cadets stay in the cabins, inspected by Mjr Williams, • Food Options – vegetarian options, not GF – able to supply food and bring with them for the weekend. • Within 30 minutes of a hospital – if kids have epi pens, restricted to be within 30 minutes of a hospital • Usually ask kids to hand in the medication <p>Motion for \$700 for Mug Up: Janelle Ward Seconded by: Marianna Lazar</p> <p>b. Marksmanship Review Held at Cedarwood Station – will be instructions on how to get there in newsletter</p> <p>c. Effective speaking Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 signed up for Tuesday evening classes • do not have to participate in the competition • Cadets prepare a prepared speech and an impromptu speech. • We will have a virtual competition because we have so many kids. • Winners we will take and practice in person with these cadets. • We will need volunteers for timing, judging and score keeping. 	<p>Carried Motion voted unanimous</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competition is March 25th <p>d. Mess Dinner, May 3, 2023 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • volunteers needed • Will have 2 seniors plan the mess dinner • Will do some Costco food and have people first (possibly Airdrie First Club for serving) • will have it at the church (St Mina’s) dining hall • Lots of protocols and traditions to be followed • We will need volunteers to help with organizing this <p>e. Year End BBQ – June 14th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • volunteers needed – June 14th – sign up genius, we need someone to organize this • will do it at St Mina’s, and immediate families get to come. <p>f. ACR – June 10th, Save the Date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Squadron comes together, Cadets practice all morning • we feed them lunch • then in the afternoon parents come and the squadron presents themselves to us • We bring in a reviewing officer, sometimes an F18 from Cold Lake 	
<p>7. Fundraising Committee Report</p>	<p>a. Bottle Drive – no longer allowed to let cadets go door to door. Rules and Regs from CAF fundraising and use of cadets is coming down pretty hard and we don’t know. Parents can do things, without cadets involved. Do not want cadets to appear that they are begging. Poppies is not included as it is not fundraising, so we can do that still as it is considered community service/citizenship. There is a lot of confusion.</p> <p>b. Mike and Phoenix Lyon– Value Village Clothing Fundraiser – lightly used, textiles, clothing, accessories, pays the most per pound. Collect and then bring it to a central location and then we bring it to Value Village and paid per pound. 20 cents a pound for soft items. Books and furniture are less, best to stick to soft items. Cost: Value Village will supply a \$100 UHaul Rental – we will pick a date and put it in the newsletter</p> <p>c. James Guy – Firewood – 3 different options – consignment agreement, immediate ownership – presell and then deliver – would like to do it before May Long, James has approval to advertise on FB.</p>	

	d. Are people okay to overlap fundraisers – agreement on this as the two fundraisers are different.	
8. Q&A/What Parents need to know	<p>a. Warrant Board Interviews happening on Sunday, February 12th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warrant Boards are interviews for Seniors/Level 5 cadets. • It is a 3 person interview board and cadets have to answer questions. • It is the opportunity for Flight Sergeants to be promoted to Warrant Officer 2nd class and WOII's to Warrant Officer First Class <p>b. Screening has improved and is much smoother!!!! Let Sarah know if you are interested</p>	
9. Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting at: 8:29 by Mike Lyon Seconded by: Rob Heiduk	



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SSC Advisor Report

APC is now collecting calendars and getting ready for a new raffle draw next year.

Effective speaking will still be virtual at a National Level. However, at the Wing and Provincial level it will be in person. Wing competition will be held in Olds. Provincial will be held in Red Deer.

New Screening coordinator is getting caught up on old screenings. If you have any which were delayed and not processed and the screening has expired let the APC know. They will reimburse the individual for redoing the screening. It will have to be approved by the new screening coordinator.

APC is hosting their Golf Tournament in Edmonton again. It will be held on May 13th.

APC AGM will be held in person this year in Edmonton on the weekend of Oct 27th.

If you have any league related questions please contact me directly.

SUMMER COURSE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q: Can you apply for multiple courses?

A: Yes, will pick your top 3 courses

Q: Is there a cost for Summer Courses for parents?

A: There is no cost for parents – covered by CAF

Q: Application form: Going out tonight?

A: Will be available to Cadets on their Cadet 365 account

Q: Deadline?

A: Will be on this form.

- Most courses deadline is Feb 21, 23:59 (11:59pm)
- National courses is Feb 14, 23:59 (11:59pm)

Q: What about Power and Glide Pilot courses?

A: Cadets started online Ground School in September. These names had to be put forward today (February 8th).

Q: Where are Glider and Power Pilot programs?

A: Glider in Brandon, Power is contracted out to Civilian flying schools. These courses are very competitive, and we don't get many spots. These cadets must get an aviation medical. Big thing for this is that there is a lot of restrictions on medications. Cadets need a category 3 medical. Kids will need that completed by June 1st.

Q: If Level 1's miss a day does that mean that they can't go?

A: Last year this was not an issue, so could be okay this year

FTX QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q: As there is heat in the cabins, are sleeping bags still required?

A: YES, still are required – this is their bedding; we can get sleeping bags if you do not have one

Q: Do we accept donations of items that could be used for cadets?

A: Unfortunately we have no place to store these items, so we cannot accept them

Q: What is temperature restriction for sleeping outside?

A: -20 with the wind chill --- Depending on weather and quality of shelters they can sleep outside on Saturday nights