

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Friends of "88" Squadron Society Regular Meeting**  
**Virtual**  
**Wednesday, February 7, 2024**

**Attendees: Sarah Lyon, Cheryl Dorn, Donna Labreche, Jill Munday, Carmen Volk, Peter Davis, Farshad Commissariat, Chrispy Chemerys, Karen Nguyen, Kournty Lubig, Lynnae Miller, David Ward, Janelle Ward, Dustin Walker, Karen O'Neill, Dennis Keeping, Sharon Baese, Kris Molenchak, Tikky Faizuddin, Buren Harka, Chris & Tin Algier, Shayne Davidson, Rob Heiduk, Ruta Alazar, Shaun McNamara, Dmitri Dmitriou, Tolyope Sajobi, Joanne Casavant, Brad & Natacha. Fehr, Sarah Sperrin, Time & Nicole Grochowich, Jo & Ryan Kelk, Nina Santos, Pavel Jacobs, Jennifer Dingwell**

<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Action</b>
1. Call to Order	Called to order by Sarah Lyon at 6:45 No changes/additions to the agenda	
2. Approval of the previous Minutes (October 2023). posted at <a href="http://www.airdrieaircadets.ca">www.airdrieaircadets.ca</a>	Motion by: Chrispy Chemerys Seconded by: Lynnae Miller	Carried
3. Squadron Officer Report	a) Squadron Officer Report – Captain Pike <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dropped down to 123 cadets after the holidays</li> <li>• Enrollment closed to the public in Dec</li> <li>• Enrollment close to siblings next week – due to limitations in training year and cadets would require repeating the first year</li> <li>• Parent newsletter from officers success – please email if you are not receiving this and would like to</li> <li>• Summer Training: opportunities for adult staff and staff cadets now available. Waiting for information for courses – Rocky Mountain a full CTC this year – Staff cadet opportunities if cadet is over 16 by end of June</li> </ul>	
4. SSC Advisor Report	a) Peter Davis *See attached	
5. Directors Reports	b) Treasurer Report – Sarah Lyon, SSC Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$ – chequing - \$134,483.69</li> <li>• \$ – Gaming - \$35,668.81</li> <li>• \$ - GIC's \$ 222,916.64</li> <li>• Profit &amp; loss as of December 31<sup>st</sup> -\$16, 808.64</li> </ul> b) Fundraising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bacon - \$110</li> <li>• Calendars – sold all of them – profit TBD</li> <li>• Hoodies \$1302</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swag sold this year\$886</li> <li>• Parent donations: \$600</li> <li>• Canteen – parent donations and funded</li> <li>• Sponsorship – unsuccessful</li> <li>• Wine Survivor – fundraiser in March – details to come – has the potential to be our best fundraiser this year</li> <li>• Bacon + more items (steaks, burgers) in spring</li> <li>• Bottle Drive – waiting for approval, hoping for May</li> </ul> <p>c) Volunteers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bottle Drive, canteen,</li> <li>• If you want to volunteer, you must be screened, is simple but a time factor – biggest time factor is getting the vulnerable sector check, checking</li> <li>• Drivers need to have a second level of CAF screening</li> <li>• We only have 17 screened parents , some of these are from the same family– only 10 screened families</li> <li>• Screening is good for 5 years</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	
6. Old Business	<p>a) Parent auditor for annual review of the books – require 2 parent volunteers</p> <p>b) We hire a book keeper</p> <p>c) Have to do a report to the league that is essentially an audit</p> <p>d) If you want to volunteer – 1 – 2 hr time commitment</p>	
7. Announcements	<p>a. FTX</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 8, 9 and 10th</li> <li>• Fun camp out weekend – leave at 5pm on Friday and return Sunday between 3 – 4</li> <li>• Camp Kesoda</li> <li>• Indoor washrooms, but no access to the showers</li> <li>• Recommend you review the kit list now</li> <li>• Will not get on the bus if they don't have the full kit</li> <li>• Cabins</li> <li>• Kids are well supervised</li> <li>• Medical trained personal</li> <li>• Will eat MRE's – 2000 calories</li> <li>• SSC provides snacks</li> <li>• If your child has allergies, speak to CO if they have restrictions to make arrangements at least a few weeks before</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medication handed in to officers and distributed</li> <li>• Kit List posted on the website under FTX information</li> <li>• SSC Documents – FTX FAQ</li> </ul> <p>b. Effective Speaking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday evenings – not too late to join – sign up through WO2 Volk</li> <li>• Cadets do not have to compete if they don't want to</li> <li>• Squadron Competition is March 16<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Wing Competition March 23<sup>rd</sup> in Ponoka – Top 3 go here</li> <li>• Provincial Competition April 20<sup>th</sup> in Red Deer – Top 3 from Wing go to Provincial</li> <li>• Winner of national competition will be the national representative for all 100 year celebrations in Ottawa</li> <li>• If parent is interested in helping, speak to Sarah</li> </ul>	
8. Questions and Answers	Can parents donate or sponsor a specific item? Yes, and tax receipts can be given for anything donated over \$20	
9. Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting: Tiki Faizzudin Seconded by: Crispy Chemerys Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm pm	Carried



## **Advisor 88 Feb. 2024 Report**

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1. League is currently in a holding pattern waiting to hear what the Defence budget cuts will mean to the program. We have already seen summer training get reduced. Looks like gliding will take place in Ontario and Quebec. In order to keep the opportunities for the cadets the league may have to increase its support.
2. Calendars are now being returned to the league. Congratulations on 88 selling all of their calendars.
3. Effective speaking zone competition will be held March 23<sup>rd</sup> in Ponoka. Provincial competition will be April 20<sup>th</sup> in Red Deer. Just a reminder that cadets will need to register even to compete at the squadron level. Everyone is welcome to attend it is a great competition to watch.
4. The Leagues annual golf tournament has been moved from May to September.
5. The league awards booklet is being updated and will be out soon. There are awards for volunteers, officers, and cadets. Deadline for nominations is end of June.
6. Any questions comments or concerns regarding the league let me know.