



Minutes of Voyageur District Annual General Meeting

May 29, 2004,

Holiday Inn
208 St Mary's River Dr.
Sault Ste Marie ON

D/C Warren Ginson who took the chair called the Annual General Meeting of the District Council to order at 1104. Caven Ford was the secretary at this time.

ROLL CALL:

District Officers:	D/C	Warren Ginson	Report filed
	D/E/O	Horst Mattern	Report filed
	D/T/O	Jack McIrvine – Absent	Report filed by Red Bowes
	D/A/O	Camille Quesnel	Report filed
	D/Sec	Caven Ford	Report filed
	D/Treas	Ian Scott	Report filed
	D/P/R/O	Red Bowes	Report filed
	D/Marep	vacant	No report filed
	D/Port/C	vacant	No report filed
	D/Memb	vacant	No report filed
	D/Youth	Camille Quesnel	No report filed
	A/D/T/O	Francois Legault	No report filed
	D/Enviro	vacant	No report filed
	PD/Cdr/D/Comm	Gilbert Desjardins – Absent	No report filed
	P/D/Cdr/D/Hist	Earl Bryant	No report filed
	D/Website	Terry Lang	Report filed
Squadron Cdr's:	Bracebridge	Jack McIrvine – Absent	Report filed by Red Bowes
	Huntsville	Rick Keevil	Report filed
	Manitoulin	Francois Legault	Report filed
	North Channel	Doug Hay	Report filed
	North Bay	Terry Lang	Report filed
	Parry Sound	Ian Scott	Report filed
	Sault Ste Marie	Lynn Burzese (p/cdr)	Report filed
	Sudbury	Allen Ziminski – Absent	Report filed by Camille Quesnel
	Tri Town	Bill Ramsay	No report filed

The chairman stated that there were 14 voting members present which constituted a quorum and therefore the meeting was properly constituted and in order.

Additional guest not mentioned in roll call was P/C/C David Durward.

Notice of Meeting:

The chairman advised that the notice calling the meeting had been emailed to all council members on **May 9th, 2004**.

Minutes of Meeting:

The chairman advised that the minutes of the **May 25, 2003** AGM were available from the secretary or at the back of the room.

The chairman asked if there were any errors or omissions.

The chairman asked that someone make a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last AGM as corrected and presented, and that these minutes be signed by the chairman and the secretary.

Motion #1 moved by Francois Legault and Seconded by Camille Quesnel:
That the meeting dispenses with the reading of the minutes and accepts them as modified.
Carried unanimously

Business arising from the minutes:

The chairman asked the meeting if there was any business arising from the minutes of the meeting of **May 25, 2003** and was advised that there was none.

District Officers Reports: presented and copies attached to official minutes.

Annual financial report for 2003/2004

The total net worth of Voyageur District is **\$16,342.22**. The prior year's total was \$15,290.93. Fiscal 2004 produced a surplus of \$1,051.29 compared to a budgeted deficit of \$10.18 and last year's surplus of \$131.51. The improvement reflects stronger "Dues/Contributions". Lower rental fees at the Legion (compared to Howard Johnson) continue to benefit the District's finances.

Receipts of \$5,000.54 increased vs. last year's \$4,162.19 as gains in "Dues/Contributions" more than offset declines in "Other/Interest". The former figure includes the receipt of a fiscal 2003 outstanding Squadron Levy of \$211.50 as well as an actual increase of 3.7% (vs. a budgeted decline of 2%) in the District membership Levy base. The fiscal 2004 levy of \$3,531.00 (based on membership data as at 10/07/03) compares with the prior year's \$3,405.00.

The co-operation of the District and Squadron Bridges is sincerely appreciated.

Motion #2, moved by Camille Quesnel and Seconded by Bill Ramsay:
That the financial report of D/Treas Ian Scott be accepted.
Carried unanimously.

Squadron Cdr Reports: presented and copies attached to official minutes.

LUNCH BREAK 1204-1300

A forum with P/C/C Dave Durward was held after lunch. A discussion of the financial shape of National was held. Dave indicated that the Coast Guard was considering outlawing on-line boat card examinations. The deal between CPS and Canadian Sport Fishing is costing CPS a lot of money. The National Finance Committee is presenting a motion to raise National's portion (non-discounted) of the dues from \$26.00 to \$29.00.

Presentations:

- John Edward received his Life membership from P/C/C Dave Durward.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nominating Committee Chairman **Earl Bryant** presented the report of the nominating committee (attached) and asked if there had been any new nominations forwarded to the secretary. There were no new nominations mailed to the secretary, **Caven Ford**, so he cast one vote to close the election of the nomination committee.
- The new Bridge was then pledged by P/C/C Durward.
- Discussed the proposed governing board motion to raise the dues by \$3.00. most Squadrons seemed to come out in support of the increase.
- Proposed dates for District Meetings:
 - September 26, 2004
 - January 16, 2005
 - April 03, 2005
 - May 29, 2005 – AGM – Business Meeting Style

Invitation to terminate:

There being no further business, the chairman requested a motion.

Moved by Camille Quesnel
Be it resolved that this meeting be terminated.
Carried unanimously.

Termination: 1435

D/C Warren Glnson_____

D/Sec Caven Ford_____

P/D/Cdr Gilbert Desjardins_____