

OAKVILLE POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON MINUTES OF SQUADRON BRIDGE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 8th August, 2007 at 1930 AT THE TOWARF BUILDING IN OAKVILLE.

<u>Present:</u>	Cdr	Stewart Robinson, SN	Commander
		Ziggy Gaweda, AP	Executive Officer
		Nelle Gaweda, P	Training Officer
	P/D/C	Beryl Durrant	Secretary
		Richard Bodt	Treasurer
	P/Cdr	Matt Kennedy, JN	Environment/Port Captain
		Hugh Ramsay, SN	Editor
	P/Cdr	Fraser Farmer, <u>AP</u>	Membership Officer
	P/Cdr	John Hinksman, SN	Immed. Past Commander
		Mike Hewitt	Officer at Large
		Ian Casey	Officer at Large
<u>Apologies:</u>	P/Cdr	Peter Houzon, <u>AP</u>	

Past Commanders Present: P/D/C Beryl Durrant, P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN, P/Cdr Fraser Farmer, AP, P/Cdr John Hinksman, SN

Call to Order: The Commander called the meeting to order at 1930, and the Secretary confirmed that a Quorum was present.

Minutes of the last meeting held on the 13th June, 2007

Hugh Ramsay, SN advised that his request that it be minuted that the Motion is contrary to the Provisions of the VHF Recognized Examiners contract had been omitted, and should be included.

MOTION: To accept the Minutes as amended:

Proposed by: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN Seconded by: Mike Hewitt CARRIED

Matters Arising:

- a) Historical Committee Reports, 2007-2008. It was agreed that we should prepare to complete the forms, if requested to do so at the end of the Squadron year. Events of note to date: April – AGM and issue of the Mainsheet; May – Graduation; June?; July – Vacation; August - issue of the Mainsheet.
- b) Budgets - FINAL date for submission of Budgets now the September Bridge meeting. The Commander welcomed Richard Bodt as the Squadron Treasurer and asked the Bridge to give him their full support.
- c) Gavel and stand – being completed.
- d) Foundation donation – due to the temporary absence of P/Cdr John Hinksman, SN this item was deferred until his return
- e) Members not renewing. Present membership 267. No response from 40 members. It was decided to leave this matter in abeyance until the new system at HQ is fully operational. A letter to members still not renewed could then be considered.
- f) 2008 Dates – from the Training Officer’s Report – AGM 25th April, 2008 at the Crow’s Nest, OYS, and Graduation on the 30th May, 2008 at the OYS Main Club House.
- g) Purchase of a sound system. Hugh Ramsay, SN had checked into this and found that sets at the lower price range would possibly not be very satisfactory, and prices then increased considerably for a better quality. OYS does have sound systems and it was decided to check these out first. Decision on hold.
- h) VHF Providers. There was a long discussion on the status of Providers. They can work within the Squadron and the Training Department; or outside where the Squadron provides materials only.. Information then goes to HQ and a Registered Examiner submits exams to CPS. Contracts are renewed automatically unless HQ is advised to the contrary. Decision for the Squadron - do we need outside Providers or not..

Reports of Officers:

Available on the Squadron Web Site. A copy is available with the Secretary.

Additional comments:

Commander – Thank you letter received from TOWARF for the recent donation from the Squadron. Thanks for P/Cdr Matt Kenney, JN for dealing with this.

Training Officer - VHF Course to be set up for OYS using their facilities – charge at cost and then donate back to OYS with a covering letter covering savings to club

MOTION: To cover the above –

Proposed by: P/Cdr Fraser Farmer, AP Seconded by: Ziggy Gaweda, AP CARRIED

A question was raised concerning the cost of Training Meetings, and this led to a

MOTION: That the Training Department be allowed to spend the Budget as they see fit once it has been approved.

Proposed by Ian Casey Seconded by: Mike Hewitt DEFEATED

Voting Privileges:

MOTION: That all Bridge Officers – elected and appointed – are entitled to vote at Squadron meetings.

Proposed by: Hugh Ramsay, SN Seconded by: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN CARRIED

MOTION: That a refund of \$86.13 (? or actual amount) be refunded to the Training Department.

Proposed by: Richard Bodt Seconded by: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN CARRIED

Membership Officer - Squadron Membership now 267

Signs at the Harbour ramps some years old and looking very weary.

MOTION: To replace the two signs - size, style, wording to be similar to the ones presently in use. Cost not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Proposed by : P/Cdr Fraser Farmer, AP Seconded by: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN CARRIED

P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN will contact the Harbour Master to request a clean-up of the surrounding site.

MOTION: To accept the Reports of Officers:

Proposed by: Hugh Ramsay, SN Seconded by: Richard Bodt CARRIED

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer presented his Report, and was asked if he would include a list of cheques issued by number, recipient and costs covered – agreed.

MOTION: To accept the Treasurer's report

Proposed by: Seconded by: Ian Casey Seconded by: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN CARRIED

Correspondence None reported.

Squadron Calendar: Date of the next District Council meeting not known

New Business:

Treasurer and Training Officer to discuss Social Budget.

New name for CPS – three choices to be voted on at the National AGM.

Boating students will pay National Membership fee up front; Squadrons will be required to pay District dues – loss to Squadrons??

Restrictions on orders from HQ – different rates etc. Commander will contact HQ to get this matter clarified – very confusing.

Santa Claus Parade – Oakville – 17th November – no action to be taken.

Ian Casey has agreed to be the Squadron Volunteer to undertake training for the new Web based Administrative System at HQ.

Updated Guidelines for New Bridge Officers now available – contact the Secretary if you do not have a copy.

P/Cdr John Hinksman, SN returned to the meeting and gave a short explanation of the work of the Foundation using the interest from capital raised by donations from members, Squadrons, Districts, etc.

MOTION: That a donation of \$1.00 per member be made to the Foundation for the Squadron year 2007-2008.

Proposed by: P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN Seconded by: Hugh Ramsay, SN CARRIED

Purchase of Computer and Projector – this was still under consideration and a

MOTION: To authorize the Training Department to purchase these items when required at a cost not to exceed \$2500.

Proposed by: P/Cdr Fraser Farmer, AP Seconded by: Hugh Ramsay, SN CARRIED

Date of the next meeting - 12th September, 2007 at the TOWARF Building in Oakville at 1930.

MOTION to Terminate by : P/Cdr Matt Kennedy, JN at 2145