

49th Annual General Meeting Army Cadet League of Canada (British Columbia) April 14, 2021 Via Zoom Teleconference

In Attendance

Norman Campbell Ken Usher Christine Alexander Michael Johnson Roger Prouse Elisabeth Mortlock Celine Gee Suman Kumar Martin Hilmer Louise Prouse Ted Usher Graeme Menzies Andrea Newton Mike Young

Regrets

Simon Cumming

1. Opening Remarks

The meeting began at 7:03 pm and Mr. Norman Campbell acted as Chairperson for this meeting. He opened his remarks by welcoming everyone to the 49th AGM of the BC Branch of the Army Cadet League. He briefly explained the procedures and format for the meeting. There were 12 Members and 2 nonmembers present on the teleconference.

2. Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the By-Laws of this Branch, a Notice of Meeting was sent to the membership and posted on the League's website dated 11 March 2021.

3. Quorum

In accordance with the By-Laws of this Branch, a quorum was present and gave authority to proceed with the 49th AGM.

4. Minutes of Previous AGM (15 April 2020)

The 48th AGM was held on 15 April 2020 and the minutes were distributed to the membership and posted on the League's website. The Chairman asked if there were any errors or omissions. M. Hilmer moved that the minutes of the 48th AGM be adopted as presented. The motion was seconded by K. Usher. All agreed and there were no abstentions. **Carried.**



5. Business Arising

There were no questions raised concerning any business arising and this item was closed by the Chairperson.

6. Report of the President

The President, Normal Campbell presented his report which is attached to these minutes. A. Newton moved that the President's Report be adopted as read. The motion was seconded M. Johnson. All approved the motion. There were no abstentions. **Carried.**

7. Report of the Treasurer

Mr. Michael Johnson gave a very thorough financial report to the Branch and there were no questions raised in the motion. The unaudited 2020 Financial Report is attached to these minutes. The Treasurer's unaudited report was moved to be accepted by C. Alexander and seconded by R. Prouse. There was no discussion, and all agreed. There were no abstentions. **Carried.**

8. Election of Directors

E. Mortlock read the names of the present Director of the Board. Mr. Norman Campbell, Ms. Christine Alexander, Mr. Michael Johnson, Ms. Suman Kumar, Mr. Ted Usher, Mr. Martin Hilmer, Mr. Simon Cumming, Ms. Celine Gee, and Mr. Ken Usher. E. Mortlock announced that this Board of Directors is hereby dissolved on this date and a selection of new Directors will be appointed for the ensuing year or until such time that these new directors are replaced. The following individuals are running for directorship for the ensuing year or until they are replaced. Those names are: Mr. Norman Campbell, Ms. Christine Alexander, Mr. Michael Johnson, Mr. Kenneth Usher, Ms. Suman Kumar, Ms. Celine Gee, Mr. Ted Usher, Mr. Martin Hilmer, Mr. Graeme Menzies, and Ms. Andrea Newton. M. Johnson moved that the list of the Directors as presented be accepted for the next year or until replaced. The motion was seconded by T. Usher. All approved and there were no abstainers. **Carried.**

9. Appointment of Auditor

Michael Johnson explains the requirement for an auditor needs to be licensed to audit such as a CPA. Michael keeps the records in good order and is a firm believer in transparency; therefore, all League records are available for anyone to see upon request. If anyone knows of such a person able to fill this position, please contact Michael via the League.

10. Other Business and Termination

a. Membership Dues: The Chairperson called for a motion to keep membership dues fixed at \$25.00 for the next year. L. Prouse moved that the annual membership dues stay fix at \$25.00 per Member per year. The motion was seconded by T. Usher. All agreed. There were no abstentions. **Carried.**



- b. Approval of Acts or Resolution: Chairperson called for a motion for the approval of Article 1 paragraph 3-additon of the ACLC BC Branch Bylaws Life Membership. In accordance with the By-Laws of this Branch, a notice for the approval of this act was sent to the membership and posted on the League's website dated 11 March 2021. Life Membership in the Army Cadet League of Canada (British Columbia) reflects the National Policy and is governed by Article 2.08 of By-Law 9 (August 2011) contained in the National Policy Manual. Any member in good standing of The Army Cadet League of Canada (British Columbia) may be nominated for Provincial Life Membership. Candidates for Life Membership will be considered from those members who have provided an outstanding contribution in any of the following areas:
 - (i) Rendered outstanding service to the Army Cadet League of Canada (British Columbia); or
 - (ii) Served on The BC Branch Executive Committee; or
 - (iii) Been awarded the BC Member of the Year Award; or has
 - (iv) Provided outstanding leadership and dedication to BC Branch.

Any member may make nominations to the Branch President where the nominee is a member. This nomination should be in the form of a "citation". The provincial office will solicit nominations annually in advance of the annual general meeting. If the Branch Executive approves the nomination, the Branch President will advise the successful nominee by letter. A suitable certificate will be prepared by the provincial office and will be accompanied by a letter of congratulations by the Branch President. Successful nominees will have voting privileges at Annual General Meetings. Chairperson called for a Motion for the approval of Article 1 paragraph 3-additon of the ACLC BC Branch Life Membership. M. Hilmer moved that addition of the Life Membership to the ACLC BC Branch Bylaws be approved. The motion was seconded by M. Johnson. All agreed. There were no abstentions. **Carried**.

- **c.** New Business: The floor was opened to any items the members wished to discuss. There was no further business to deal with and this item is closed.
- **d. Termination:** There being no further business on the agenda, the Chairperson called for termination of the 49th AGM of the Army Cadet League of Canada, British Columbia Branch. The motion was moved by L. Prouse and seconded by G. Menzies. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM. **Carried.**

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E. Mortlock, Executive Director



PRESIDENTS REPORT AGM 2021

I must first thank everyone here for their tireless dedication to the cadet program and league initiatives. This report will be short and simple.

With the Covid-19 virus still showing up it has caused a large disruption to the cadet movement and general population. This has resulted in the suspension of the in-person cadet program with a few breaks where some type of person-to-person training was allowed but most was done by on line meeting software.

The program is now starting to suffer as cadets are getting tired of on-line training. Some corps are unable to do this due to logistics and internet access. There is still the hope that there will be some sort of summer training but it will be all based on what the public health officials are allowing.

We have a huge challenge ahead to try and help with re-building of the cadet program. One of the biggest issues is not just the number of cadets but the lack of adult supervision in the program especially uniformed officers. I believe we may need to lay out a plan how we can assist DND.

This is our 50th anniversary and we had hoped to celebrated with numerous events, but we will have to see what can be done and hopefully in the latter part of the year things will open up. But I again wish to promise to everyone that has left this organization, we will find a time to honor you correctly when we are able to meet again in person. You have not been forgotten.

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Norman Campbell President Army Cadet League of Canada (BC Branch)