



1000-1 (CAFL National Secretariat)

18 March 09

Distr List

**Canadian Association of Forces Linemen National Meeting 01/09
Held Tue, 3rd March 2009 at
1900 hrs Navigation Canada Trg Center
Cornwall, ON
General Meeting**

RECORD OF DECISIONS

In Attendance: Name

NATIONAL CHAPTER

President/Chairman	Wayne Babcock
VP	Owen Crabbe
Secretary	Owen Crabbe
Treasurer	Will Richards
Membership	Mike Mackie
General Members	Denis Lafreniere Chris Young Les Tomlinson Mario Martel Mike Huard

CENTRAL CHAPTER
(Kingston & Area)

President	Jeff Lavoie (not in attendance)
Vice President	Al Moore
	Rob Bard
	Darren Charlong
	Joey Desroches
	Troy Byrne
	Blaine Kilback
	Blair MacKnight

Les Henry
Ken Noseworthy

PETAWAWA CHAPTER
(Petawawa & Borden)

President
Vice President

Corey Galbraith (not in
attendance)
Mike Walsh (not in attendance)

Stephen Hopkins
Jody Sherrington
Tim Stevens
Bill Hewitt

ALANTIC CHAPTER

President
Vice President

Phil Ferguson (not in attendance)
John Perry

Greg Snook
Gerard Flood
Casey Worth
Dave Burgess

NEW BRUNSWICK
CHAPTER

President
Vice President

Bernard Currie
Larry Gaudet

Tim Stephens

QUEBEC CHAPTER

President
Vice President

Stephane Savard
Mike Pelletier

PRAIRIE CHAPTER

President
Vice President

Mike Purdy (not in attendance)
Dave Salisbury (not in
attendance)

Marc Scheppler

WESTERN CHAPTER

President
Vice President

Troy Polack
Jerry Dowling (not in attendance)

Joel Laquerre



Pierre Thibodeau

PACIFIC CHAPTER

President

Vice President

Brian Stewart

Ian Clark

Ron During

Kris Gummer

Item	Decision	Action
I	CALL TO ORDER 1. The by the President, Wayne Babcock, thanked everyone for being there and asked for a motion to open the meeting. Mike Mackie so motioned.	Dave Burgess 1 st 2 nd Gerard Flood
II	REVIEW OF MINUTES AND OUTSTANDING ISSUES 2. The last meeting minutes were read, Wayne Babcock called for discussion or questions. 3. Blair McKnight questioned what the Shawn Aucoin Invitational tournament was; Dave Burgess informed the group that the annual Maritime Region golf tournament was given a new name each year. 4. The President asked that the minutes of last year be adopted. Motioned passed.	Joey Desroches Seconded the motion. Joey Desroches 1 st Dave Burgess 2 nd
III	FINANCIAL REPORT 1. The treasurer Will Richards gave the group an update on the current CAFL financial status, a current balance of \$ 5722.61 2. The President motioned that the financial report be adopted as read.	Denis Lafreniere 1 st Mike Huard 2 nd
IV	FELLOWSHIP REPORT 1. The fellowship representative Frank Leblanc was not available. 2. Mike Huard indicated that he would gather information for a later update. 3. Owen Crabbe discussed that he had talked to Joe Haywood, a retired Lmn in Alberta. Joe Had recently undergone survey for cancer. He is currently recovering and doing well. 4. The President motioned that the minutes, although not formally read be put in as part of the minutes and indicated that a future fellowship report needs to be better prepared.	Mike Huard 1st Tim Stephens 2nd

V

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Not given.

Mike Mackie

VI

REGIONAL REPORTS

ATLANTIC CHAPTER

John Perry

John Perry briefed about the Atlantic Chapter. He indicated that for the most part the Atlantic chapter has been fairly quite this year; the main function being the Will Richards Invitational golf tournament, this tournament had been held for the last 3yrs but been know as the Shawn Aucoin invitational. **John has promised to update the Atlantic chapter membership list and attempt to get the invite out to more retired members.**

NEW BRUNSWICK

Tim Stephens

Tim Stephens briefed about the New Brunswick Chapters activities. Tim passed on greetings from the chapter president Bernie Currie and the chapter members. The NB chapter had hosted two beer calls and barbecue events. Both events were well turned out but both serving and current members.

Tim also briefed that since Valacartier was unable to host the Jean Romard challenge NB had attempted but was unable to during 2008. Tim brought up a proposal for 2009, the president asked him to hold it until new business.

QUEBEC CHAPTER

Stephan Savard

Stephan Savard, newly elected to the CAFL Quebec Chapter executive. Reported that the Quebec region was unable to host the Jean Romard challenge this year due to operational tempo.

PETAWAWA CHAPTER

Steve Hopkins

Steve Hopkins briefed that the Petawawa chapter is going strong. **Corey Galbraith is the new president this year and has promised to organise this years CAFL fishing derby, timings forthcoming soon.** Last years 10th Annual derby was a success held this year at Cory Lake, just West of Petawawa. Norm Leblanc won the Bill Hansen Trophy this year as the top prize, shutting out Mike Walsh in his attempt to win 3 years in a row, thus tying Roger Ladouceur. There was also a successful posting party, with a recruiting drive pushing the chapter to over 35+ paid in full members. The chapter also welcomed back 8 members from Task Force Afghanistan.

CENTRAL CHAPTER

Al Moore

Al Moore commented that the central chapter hosted two successful beer calls, one in September and one in December. The chapter had donated \$200.00 towards the refurbishment of the Perry Porter Cairn. The Pig Roast hosted at Al's home was a great success except that his wife broke her axel, the secretary assumes he was talking about her car.

PRAIRIE CHAPTER

Marc Scheppler

Marc Scheppler reported that the Prairie region has nothing of significance to report this year.

WESTERN CHAPTER

Troy Polack

Troy Polack reported that the Western region has nothing of significance to report this year.

PACIFIC CHAPTER

Brian Stewart

Brian Stewart briefed that the Pacific Chapter hosted a camping trip this year. Unfortunately the turnout was somewhat less then last years but at least Brian, his beer cooler and chair became closer in the effort. He has mentioned that Ian Clark



was looking at hosting a Golf Tournament this year.

VII OLD BUSINESS

The President brought up the ongoing matter of approximately 25 ball hats that were somewhat out of style. There was a motion from Mike Mackie that they be given to deserving vendors on a case by case basis.

Les Thomlinson
1st
Mike Huard
2nd

VIII NEW BUSINESS

1. Les Thomlinson brought up that Cathy Corney was searching for a association ring for Bob Corney. Les had called Herb Postill at the museum and none are available or have been made for several years.

Al Moore 1st
Denis
Lafreniere 2nd

If a new ring was to be designed, it should also be finalised a long outstanding issue of a new CAFL (if required) crest.

**ACTION
REQUIRED
BY:**
Greg Snook.
National
Committee.

Greg Snook volunteered to do some research, contact Dean Upshall and work on a new crest proposal, and a ring design.

Mike Huard motioned a \$100 contest for a ring design that the national chair would award if they deem suitable. The actual adaption and decision if a new CAFL crest is required or will be adopted will be on next years old business agenda.

2. Jim Stephens briefed on behalf of our webmaster (Jeff Sandney) on a prototype for new association cards. The prototype was passed around voted on and accepted by the group as a great idea to receive action and be adopted as the new card.

Casey Worth 1st
Dave Burgess
2nd

Mike Huard identified that the items in new business Para 1 would have to be clarified before the new cards should be produced.

**ACTION
REQUIRED
BY:**
Greg Snook;
National
Committee;
Jeff Sandney.

3. Jim Stephens also brought forward that Jeff was opening a CAFL Facebook site, and was also looking for the names of the Regional Presidents. To add to the Web site. Owen Crabbe volunteered to provide Jeff with that info.

**ACTION
REQUIRED
BY:**
Owen Crabbe;
Jeff Sandney.

4. Wayne Babcock brought forward that the membership list had always been a problem to keep accurate. One of the main issues being that if the national membership and national treasurer need to work at the same time to update both lists.

Blair
MacKnight 1st
Mark
Desroches 2nd

Also just having the national list held at within Ottawa and not visible nationally

was not always the most effective way of spreading Lmn contact info. Mike Huard brought forward that either the Web site or his FTP site would be the best locations to place the new list. It was motioned by Tim Hope to form a Tiger Team to design a new membership list template. Give the regional chapters the ability to update their own lists once the master list has been created. This would be done by the National Treasury and Membership committee, Will Richards and Mike Mackie. It would also be decided by the national chair whether once the template is designed what location, the Web page or FTP site would be the best location to house it.

5. Blair MacKnight had asked if the memorial plaque in the memory of Archie Toole for the C&E museum had been purchased. It was deemed to have not been done. As this had been voted on in a previously meeting Owen Crabbe and Will Richards agreed to action.

6. Tim Stephens brought forward that 3 ASG Sigs and the Gagetown Chapter will be hosting the 2009 Jean Romard challenge this year. He briefed that all required background work with the normal hosts in Valcartier and with last years winning team from 1 Line Sqn is in progress. The location event will either be held in Gagetown but 721 Communication Regiment compound "Brighton" in P.E.I has a training facility existing that may be available for use. Les Henry brought up the subject of U.S.A Lmn being able to participate. No issues were brought up about having them at the event, but it would be completely up to 1 Line to organise. Also if the U.S.A team were to win 1 Line Sqn would have to coordinate the next year's event.

IX CAFL SCHOLARSHIP 2008

Three names had been submitted for this year's award of a \$600.00 scholarship award. Theo Ladouceur, Mathew Ferguson and Kim Lafreniere. After reading all the submissions and based on requirement and qualification the Scholarship committee awarded bursary to Kim Lafreniere, Denis Lafreniere accepted on his daughter's behalf. Kim's educational plans are detailed in the brief she has provide us:

To: The Canadian Forces, Linemen Association.

I would like to thank the Canadian forces, more specifically the Linemen Association for awarding me with this bursary. This is also an opportunity, not just a check with my name on it. These funds will allow for me to use them for textbooks in the upcoming year. Thank you once again for this great opportunity to reach my full potential at the University of Ottawa; I can now begin September 09 with a little less stress that comes with growing up.

Thank you, this means a lot to me.

Kim Lafreniere

X GENERAL DISCUSSION

Darren Charlong briefed the membership on the CFSCE Line Training Table project. The table is to be a 4 x 8 ft conference table to be housed in the new Line Training facility. It will have the names of pers who have been posted into Line Training and have been essential in the training and advancing of our Trade.

**ACTION
REQUIRED
BY:**
Mike Huard
National
Committee;
Jeff Sandney.

**ACTION
REQUIRED
BY:**
Owen Crabbe;
Will Richards;
Herb Postill.

**ACTION
REQUIRED
BY:**
Tim Stephens;
Les Henry;
Lmn in Snr
positions.



XI

MOTION TO ADJOURN

The President thanked the assembled membership and requested that they brief the active and retired Linemen in their respective areas. He reminded that the CAFL is a fellowship organization and only is as good as what the members put into it. He called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Mackie motioned.



Dave Burgess
1st
Greg Snook 2nd

*Original Signed
by*

G.O. Crabbe
CAFL Vice President/Secretary
National Chapter

Distr List

Action

National Executive
All those identified as having action items in this document

Info

CAFL Members