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5545-5 (Secretary)

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Distribution List

**WEST NS REGT MESS**  
**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

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|----------------------|-----|-------------------|------------------------|
| <u>PMC:</u>          | 1.  | Maj Parrish       |                        |
| <u>Ex Officio:</u>   | 1.  | Sgt Davis         | Vice PMC               |
|                      | 2.  | Sgt Hill          | Treasurer              |
|                      | 3.  | Capt Robinson     | Entertainment Officer  |
| <u>Secretary:</u>    | 1.  | Lt Legere         |                        |
| <u>Mbrs Present:</u> | 1.  | Cpl Baker         | 24. MCpl Luttmann      |
|                      | 2.  | Pte Bigelow       | 25. Pte McDonough      |
|                      | 3.  | LCol Bobbitt      | 26. Cpl Mead           |
|                      | 4.  | Cpl Bruce         | 27. WO Morse           |
|                      | 5.  | Pte Campbell      | 28. Cpl Noble          |
|                      | 6.  | Pte Cairns        | 29. MCpl Russell       |
|                      | 7.  | Pte Clarke        | 30. Pte Sanche-Spencer |
|                      | 8.  | Capt Colford      | 31. Cpl Veinot         |
|                      | 9.  | Pte Comeau        | 32. Cpl Wade, C        |
|                      | 10. | Cpl Coneybeare    | 33. Pte Whynot         |
|                      | 11. | Cpl Corkum        | 34. Pte Woloshyn       |
|                      | 12. | Cpl Deell         | 35. Pte Wood           |
|                      | 13. | Sgt Doggett       | 36. Cpl Wood           |
|                      | 14. | Sgt Eichel        | 37. CWO Smith          |
|                      | 15. | MCpl Ells         | 38. Cpl Stevens        |
|                      | 16. | Sgt Everett       | 39. Pte Plehn          |
|                      | 17. | Cpl Fraser-Oickle | 40. Pte Bush           |
|                      | 18. | Cpl Girvan        | 41. Pte O'Brien        |
|                      | 19. | Cpl Hogan         | 42. Pte Fraser         |
|                      | 20. | Cpl Houle         | 43. Pte Anthony        |
|                      | 21. | Cpl Clarke        | 44. Pte Alcorn         |
|                      | 22. | Cpl Mohamed       | 45. MCpl MacAulay      |
|                      | 23. | Cpl MacDonald     |                        |

## QUORUM

1. The PMC accepted a survey of members present as sufficient to meet the requirements of a quorum based on reasonably available members as defined in the constitution.

## OPENING REMARKS/PREVIOUS MINUTES

2. The meeting was called to order at 0906 hrs by the PMC who gave his opening remarks. The PMC's opening remarks welcomed the members of the meeting and introduced himself, the Vice PMC, Entertainment O, Treasurer, and Secretary.

3. The Secretary read the minutes from the previous meeting. Acceptance of the previous meeting minutes was seconded by Cpl Wade and the motion was unanimously accepted by vote of the members.

4. The PMC read off the roll call and allowed non-members to voice their desire to either change over to the Fort Edward Mess, or remain with the mess they currently hold a membership with. Members who decided to join the Fort Edward Mess include: CWO Smith, Pte Moore, Cpl Stevens, Pte Plehn, Pte Bush, Pte O'Brien, Pte Anthony, Pte Alcorn, Cpl Clarke, Cpl Mohamed, Cpl MacDonald, and MCpl MacAulay.

## MESS EXECUTIVE REPORTS

5. The PMC asked the Treasurer to brief the members on the Mess' current financial standings. The Treasurer noted that the mess currently holds a balance of \$16 000, with a projected accumulation of \$4000 per year. The Treasurer suggested the Mess spend more to the benefit of the members.

## OLD BUSINESS

6. Mess Funded Ball Caps for Members. The original cost was not to exceed \$1500; this was largely underestimating the actual cost of the items, with a proper estimate ranging closer to \$3500. The PMC forwarded two options for the hat design, both similarly priced. A motion was put forward by Sgt Eichel to pursue option 1, the motion was seconded by Cpl Fraser-Oickle and the motion was unanimously accepted by vote of the members.

- a. Number of Ball Caps to be Purchased. Sgt Hill followed up with a motion to purchase 100 units of option 1 ball caps to provide a sufficient amount to current Mess members with a small amount of extra leftover for anticipated new arrivals throughout the year. This motion was seconded by Cpl Fraser-Oickle and the motion was unanimously accepted.

## NEW BUSINESS

7. Mess Committee Succession Plan. Maj Parrish's term as PMC concludes on 24 Apr 23, a motion was forwarded to have Sgt Davis become the new PMC and Cpl Wood become the new

Vice PMC on 24 Apr 23. This motion was seconded by Cpl Corkum and the motion was unanimously accepted by vote of the members.

8. Mess Committee Secretary Position. MCpl Ells motioned to have Lt Legere fill the Mess Committee Secretary position. The motion was seconded by Cpl Fraser-Oickle and the motion was unanimously accepted by vote of the members.

9. End of Month Mess Call Scheduling. Cpl Wade motioned to have a mess call occurring on the last Thursday of every other month during the scheduled training year, unless conflicting with a higher priority training event, in which case it will be moved to the nearest Thursday that does not conflict with other training. The motion was seconded by Cpl Mead and the motion was unanimously accepted by vote of the members.

10. End of Month Mess Call Funding. A motion was forwarded by Pte Bush that funding for scheduled Mess Calls should not exceed \$10 per member present at the Mess Call. This motion was seconded by Pte Alcorn and the motion was unanimously accepted, less one, by vote of the members.

11. Mess Sponsored Sport Events. MCpl Luttmann proposed sport based mess events. The PMC appointed MCpl Luttmann to a head a sub-committee under the Entertainment O to further pursue these interests.

12. Mess Sponsored Gym Equipment. Cpl Houle inquired about using Mess funds to procure sports / gym equipment for outlying locations, particularly Middleton. The Treasurer suggested attempting to use public funds instead of Mess funds. The PMC decided that Cpl Houle should start by pursuing public funding options, and if they do not work out then the Mess would entertain the idea of using Mess funds to support this procurement.

13. Mess Sponsored Kit Shop. Cpl Wood and Cpl Wade were appointed by the PMC to form a sub-committee under the Entertainment O to look into the cost of printing West NS Regt clothing items for a rudimentary kit shop, such as t-shirts and sweaters.

#### CLOSING REMARKS

14. LCol Bobbitt congratulated Maj Parrish as PMC during his term. The crowd applauded.

15. The next Mess Committee Meeting will be held in December 2023.

## ADJOURNMENT

16. There being no further matters to discuss, the PMC asked for a motion to adjourn the mess meeting. The motion was put forward by MCpl Ells, seconded by Pte Bush and the motion was unanimously accepted by vote of the members. The motion was approved, and the meeting adjourned at 1011 hrs.

A.W. Parrish  
Major  
PMC