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From: Comrade Valerie Mitchell Veinotte
Executive Director
NS/NU Command, RCL

Subject: Special Executive Council Meeting Minutes,
November 5, 2020.

Message: Comrades: On behalf of NS/NU Chairman Karen Lynch please find attached minutes of Special Executive Council Meeting. Please be reminded to access the updated NS/NU Command Bylaws and Policy Books on the Command website at:
<http://ns.legion.ca/index.php/branch-resources/nsnu-bylaws>
<http://ns.legion.ca/index.php/branch-resources/nsnu-policy>

**The Royal Canadian Legion
Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command
Special Executive Council Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2020**

In Attendance:

Marion Fryday-Cook	President
Donna McRury	1 st Vice-President
Conrad Gilbert	Treasurer
Karen Lynch	Chairman
Mel Crowe	Immediate Past President
Cliff MacIntyre	Commander District A
Lorne MacDonald	Commander District B
Robert Hoeg	Commander District C
Peter Townsend	Commander District D
Glen Leduc	Deputy Commander District F
Cliff Laurin	Deputy Commander District G
Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte	Executive Director
Jane Scott	Recording Secretary

Regrets:

Merv Steadman	2 nd Vice President
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Absent:

Don McCumber	Commander District E
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Nova Scotia/Nunavut Command Chairman Karen Lynch assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order at 6.36pm.

1. NS/NU Command Bylaw Amendments proposed to accommodate the format for hosting the NS/NU Command Convention in 2021.

NS/NU Command Constitution and Bylaw Chairman presented the proposed changes/amendments.

EXISTING BY-LAW	PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT
304. A Command Convention shall be held at least once every two (2) years as may be determined by Executive Council. When such Convention is called, it shall be held on the long weekend in May.	304. A Command Convention shall be held at least once every (2) years as may be determined by Executive Council. When such Convention is called, it shall be held on the long weekend in October (October 9-11)

M - 1

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Townsend.

That the proposed change/amendment be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

EXISTING BY-LAW	PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT
307. As soon as possible, and except in the case of a Special Convention called upon pursuant to 305 and 306 not less than four (4) months prior to the date set for an assembly of delegates, the Executive Director shall notify each Branch of the time and place of a Convention.	307. Except in the year 2021 whereby as soon as possible, and except in the case of a Special Convention called upon pursuant to 305 and 306 not less than three (3) months prior to the date set for an assembly of delegates, the Executive Director shall notify each Branch of the time and place of a Convention.

M - 2

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Laurin.

That the proposed change/amendment be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

EXISTING BY-LAW	PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT
309 Except as otherwise provided as per 314, credential certificates and other materials necessary for, and pertaining to, the Convention must be filed with the Executive Director not less than thirty (30) days before the date set for such Convention.	309. Except as otherwise provided as per 314, credential certificates and other materials necessary for, and pertaining to, the Convention must be filed with the Executive Director not less than thirty (30) days before the date set for such Convention, except in the year 2021 whereby credential certificates must be filed with the Executive Director not later than June 30, 2021.

M - 3

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Crowe.

That the proposed change/amendment be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

EXISTING BY-LAW	PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT
<p>314.</p> <p>The reports of District Commanders, Dominion Command Representative and Chairpersons of all Command committees (except Finance) shall be in the hands of the Executive Director by February 15th of the Convention year. Any reports received after the deadline will not be included in the Convention Book.</p>	<p>314.</p> <p>The reports of District Commanders, Dominion Command Representative and Chairpersons of all Command committees (except Finance) shall be in the hands of the Executive Director by February 15th of the Convention year, except in the year 2021 where by the reports are to be in the hands of the Executive Director by May 28 2021. Any reports received after the deadline will not be included in the Convention Book.</p>

M - 4

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre.

That the proposed change/amendment be accepted.

11 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

EXISTING POLICY	PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT
<p>Section VII – Responsibilities For Hosting Convention</p> <p>Host Responsibilities</p> <p>14. Court Reporter Command will pay for the services of a qualified court reporter to record and transcribe the proceedings of the Business Sessions of the convention. It will be the LAC’s responsibility to locate and retain the services of a local court reporter after the service fees have been approved by Command. The business session chair will be responsible to make provisions for the court reporter to access the sound system.</p>	<p>Potential Nova Scotia Nunavut Command Policy amendments (not limited to)</p> <p>Section VII – Responsibilities For Hosting Convention</p> <p>Host Responsibilities:</p> <p>14. Court Reporter Command will pay for the services of a qualified court reporter to transcribe the proceedings of the Business Sessions of the convention. It will be the LAC’s responsibility to locate and retain the services of a local court reporter after the service fees have been approved by Command. The business session chair will be responsible to make provisions for the court reporter to access the sound system. Except for the year 2021 whereby Nova Scotia Nunavut Command will arrange for recording of business proceedings and a verbatim transcription to be transcribed by a qualified court reporter.</p>

M - 5

Moved by Comrade Townsend, seconded by Comrade MacIntyre to amend the proposed change/amendment to include the wording, "to be transcribed by a qualified court reporter."

10 Affirmative
0 Abstention
1 Opposed (Conrad Gilbert)
Motion Carried

Comrade Cliff Laurin lost connection to the meeting

M - 6

Moved by Comrade MacDonald, seconded by Comrade Crowe.

That the proposed change/amendment be accepted.

10 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

EXISTING BY-LAW	PROPOSED CHANGE/AMENDMENT
313. Except in the case of a Special Convention called pursuant to the provisions of #305 and #306, notices of and copies of all resolutions for submission to a Convention shall be in the hands of the Executive Director not less than four (4) months previous to the opening date of such Convention and the Executive Director shall notify the Branches not less than five (5) weeks before such a Convention date of all resolutions.	313. Except in the case of a Special Convention called pursuant to the provisions of #305 and #306, notices of and copies of all resolutions for submission to a Convention shall be in the hands of the Executive Director not less than four (4) months previous to the opening date of such Convention and the Executive Director shall notify the Branches not less than five (5) weeks before such a Convention date of all resolutions, except in the year 2021 whereby resolutions for submission to the convention shall be in the hands of the Executive Director by April 01 2021 and the Executive Director shall notify the branches not later than August 31, 2021 of all resolutions.

M - 7

Moved by Comrade McRury, seconded by Comrade Gilbert.

That the proposed change/amendment be accepted.

10 Affirmative
0 Abstention
0 Opposed
Motion Carried

2. Discussion ensued around league play darts and public health protocol for both darts and pool. The CBC live feed for Grand Parade was also discussed.

M - 8

Moved by Comrade MacDonald, seconded by Comrade Fryday-Cook.

That the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.



Marion Fryday-Cook
President
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Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte
Executive Director
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