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The Regimental Senate

2RCHA 1050-1

30 April 2018

Minutes of the 2 RCHA Regimental Senate Executive Committee Meeting
Held at 2 RCHA RHQ, Garrison Petawawa, 30 April 2018

Attendees:

Col (Ret'd) Dave Marshall, Chairman
CWO (Ret'd) Dale Batten, Vice-Chairman
LCol Geoff Hampton, CO 2 RCHA □
MWO Peter Thibault, A/RSM 2 RCHA
WO Jack Moloughney, Heritage NCO
CWO (Ret'd) Dan Moyer –Association President

Agenda Item I – Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

1. The meeting was called to order at 1035 hrs by the Chairman.
 - a. Thank CO and RSM of 2 RCHA for years of support to Regimental Senate efforts;
 - b. Thank LCol Sonny Hatton for his work as Secretary thus far;
 - c. LCol Hampton confirmed he would act as the Secretary until LCol Hatton's OUTCAN was complete or a new Secretary was appointed.

Agenda Item II – 2 RCHA Association Update

2. CWO (Ret'd) Dan Moyer updated the attendees on the structure and constitution of the Senate. Appointments were as follows:
 - a. President: CWO (Ret'd) Moyer;
 - b. Vice President (TBC);
 - c. Heritage Member: WO Jack Moloughney; and
 - d. Events Coordinator: Sgt Chris Leblanc.
3. CWO (Ret'd) Moyer outlined his belief that the Association was the link between the serving membership and those retired 2 RCHA veterans to stay in touch with the Regiment, and each other.
4. CWO (Ret'd) Moyer would engage Bdr Nicholson to create a business card to provide to CWO (Ret'd) Batten to circulate at the Gunner's Reunion this summer in Shilo, MB as a means to bring attention to the impending creation of the association.



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5. Key to the creation of the Association was the establishment of an annual “battle rhythm” which would bring together members of the Association, and the Serving Regiment. Initial review of the calendar revealed the following events which will be targeted for Association participation:
- Family Day – August;
 - Remembrance Day – November;
 - Canoe River Memorial – November;
 - St Barbara’s Ball – December; and
 - Spring Ball – June.

These events would be highlighted on the Association tab of the Regimental website.

Agenda Item III – Association Constitution.

8. The following motions for adoption to the Association Constitution were made:
- The 2 RCHA Foundation, which is still in its conceptual state, will be a separate entity from the Association.
Voted: 6 supported, 0 against – Motion passed.
 - Vision Statement: As articulated in draft constitution.
Voted: 6 supported, 0 against – Motion passed.
 - Mandate: Mandate as articulated in the draft constitution, with an addition to read “peer support for association members” will be added.
Voted: 6 supported, 0 against – Motion passed.
 - Position of Treasurer: Association President recommended fund raising was not an aim of the association, but acknowledged funds could be raised and distributed, which a Treasurer will be accountable for, once nominated. A Treasurer’s position will remain within the Association.
Voted: 6 supported, 0 against - Motion passed.
 - Positions of Heritage and Projects, Events were also recommended.
Voted: 6 supported, 0 against. Motion passed.
7. Senate Chairman directed, with the concurrence of those in attendance, that once amendments were made to the draft Association Constitution, it would be circulated to the Executive and adopted secretarially.

Agenda Item IV – Senate Web Page

8. The Association “Battle Rhythm” will be added to the Association tab of the Regimental Website.



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Agenda Item V – Heritage Projects:

9. Artillery Field Artillery Tractor (FAT). WO Moloughney has been leading a team to refurbish a 1943, Field Artillery Tractor which was previously a static display at the CFB Petawawa Museum. Thus far the body has been sandblasted, with some parts being refabricated. The frame work is underway as well. The current challenge facing the project is the refurbishment of the original Ford engine, or replace the engine with an LSVW power train. A company which rebuilds classic cars called “the Guild” is being approached to provide a comprehensive quote to return the engine, drive train and mechanical elements to a functional state. This quote is expected to be approximately \$15,000. The vehicle will be restored to Korean War details and markings.
10. Artillery Park Enhancement and Refurbishment. 2 RCHA continues to determine how to lay a concrete pathway which connects the area surrounding the Artillery Park Gate and the Canoe River Memorial cairn.
11. RCA Parade Belts. The senate expressed interest in the procurement of white parade belts adorned with the RCA badge, vice the CAF crest. CO 2 RCHA contacted RHQ to determine the background and scope of this.

Agenda Item VI – Donations.

12. 2 RCHA Gunner’s Emergency Fund. Col Marshall kindly donated \$1000.00 to create the 2 RCHA Gunner’s Emergency Fund which is established to answer emergency needs of deserving soldiers of the Regiment. The grant is a onetime donation to a soldier who requires immediate financial aid. The request can be made through the chain of command and recommended by the CO/RSM to the Senate Chairman, Vice Chairman and Association President. The Senate Vice Chairman will draw the funds and provide them to the member on short notice.

Agenda Item VII – Financial Update.

13. Senate Vice Chairman, CWO (Ret’d) Batten communicated to the group that the Senate account holds \$1002.00 funds with no forecasted encumberants forecasted. With the addition of Col Marshall’s donation, holdings are now \$2002.

Agenda Item VIII – 2 RCHA Activities and Events.



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14. Expeditionary Operations. At present, 2 RCHA is parading 474 personnel, all ranks, and all 5 x Batteries are established. High operational tempo for both international and domestic operations dominate activity in the Regiment. At present, the following capabilities are deployed:
 - a. Op REASSURANCE (Latvia): 121 x personnel, ATG, 4 x M777, individual augmentees;
 - b. Op UNIFIER (Ukraine): 6 x personnel, Joint Fires and STA mentors;
 - c. Op IMPACT (Kuwait): 6 x personnel, Targeting staff officers and NCOs;
 - d. Op IMPACT (Iraq): 2 x personnel, Targeting staff officer and Mentor SM;
 - e. Op IMPACT (Lebanon): 4 x personnel, close protection party.
 - f. Op CALUMET (Egypt): 7 x members returned from Egypt on 15 Mar, after having been a force protection section for tactical infrastructure in the Southern Sinai.

15. Domestic and Contingency Operations. The following forces have been identified in 2 RCHA.
 - a. IRU (1 May -12 Oct): 110 Personnel to include RHQ, Vanguard Coy and individual augmentees to CSS Coy.
 - b. DART: 53 x personnel to expeditionary disaster assistance.
 - c. NEO: 4 x personnel (JTAC/FOO and 2 x drivers).

16. Command and Appointment Changes. The following Changes of Command and Appointment are occurring:
 - a. Commanding Officer: Outgoing – LCol Hampton, Incoming – LCol Matheson;
 - b. BC D Battery: Outgoing – Maj Evans, Incoming – Maj Beatty;
 - c. BSM D Battery: Outgoing – MWO Thibault, Incoming – MWO Harpelle
 - d. BC F Battery: Outgoing – Maj Zwicewicz, Incoming – Maj Durant
 - e. BSM Y Battery: Outgoing – WO Deziel, Incoming – WO Peckford
 - f. BC HQ Battery: Outgoing – Maj Bradley, Incoming – Maj Southen.
 - g. BSM HQ Battery: Outgoing – MWO Quigley, Incoming – MWO Thibault

17. Training. The following are the focus of ongoing and future training within the Regiment.
 - a. StAR. As part of the Canadian Army's Strengthening the Army Reserve, 2 RCHA has been partnered with the Royal Highland Fusiliers of Canada (RHFC), to create a Mortar Group capability. This has 2 x elements for 2 RCHA: Training and postings.
 - (1) Basic Mortar (Inf): 2 RCHA recently conducted their first inaugural Basic Mortar Course in Kitchener/Petawawa, qualifying 26 x Basic Mortarmen on 28 April.
 - (2) Postings: 1 x Sgt will be posted to Kitchener to the RHFC as their mortar SM
1 x Officer, 1 x NCO and 3 x JRs will be posted to 7 RCA as enhanced RSS staff to support their tasking with a Light Urban Search and Rescue (LUSAR) task.
 - b. TAPV. 2 RCHA will receive approx. 16 x TAPV armoured patrol vehicles in the coming 6 months and will be employed as TSMs vehicles, OP/2IC and general transport within F



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Battery.

Agenda Item IX – Other Business.

18. No other Regimental Business was discussed.

Agenda Item X – Adjournment.

19. Col (Ret'd) Marshall motioned for adjournment, CWO (Ret'd) Moyer seconded. Meeting adjourned at 1335 hrs

J.G. Hampton
Lieutenant-Colonel
Commanding Officer/
Acting Secretary

D.D. Marshall, OMM, CD
Colonel (Ret'd)
Chairman