

ONTARIO GROUP, RCAFA

**69th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT SARNIA, ONTARIO
HOSTED BY 403 WING, MAY 18 – 20, 2018**

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2018

HOSTING:

The host for the 69th Annual General Meeting was 403 (City of Sarnia) Wing.
The Host Committee was chaired by John Stewart, Shirley Kelly and Frieda Stewart.

OPENING CEREMONIES commenced at 1900 hrs. on Friday, May 18, 2018 and were followed by the **PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION**.

DIGNITARIES included Marilyn Gladu, MP, Bob Bailey MPP, Mike Bradley, Mayor City of Sarnia, Bev Hand, Mayor of Point Edward and the Chief of the Aamjiwnaang First Nations, Joanne Rogers.

The **PADRES** for the AGM were Deacon Chuck Stevens and Padre Gene Nishimura

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION

President John Hooper called the first Business Session to order at 0830 hrs., Saturday, May 19th with the Opening Prayer.

RECOGNITION OF ONTARIO GROUP PAST PRESIDENTS

The following Ontario Group Past Presidents were recognized as being present:
John Stewart, Les Ball, Noel Funge and Sam Newman.

RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL PAST PRESIDENTS

None present but a letter from our current National President was read allowed by President John Hooper.

RECOGNITION OF CANADIAN FORCES CONTACT/LIAISON OFFICERS

The following were present: Major Andrea Sloan

RECOGNITION OF RECORDING SECRETARY

Shirley Kelly was announced as Recording Secretary along with Bette Coyle, Secretary of Ontario Group.

ROLL CALL

The Ontario Group President called upon the 1st Vice-President Bob DiMillo to conduct the Roll Call. Voting Delegates were determined by membership count at the National Office as of April, 2018. Copy of the Roll Call is attached.

APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN

The President appointed John Stewart, Past Ontario Group President as Parliamentarian for the 69th AGM.

APPROVAL OF NOTICE TO HOLD THE 69TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The President requested a motion to approve the Notice of the 69th Ontario Group Annual General Meeting.

MOVED BY: Jim Scherb, 403 Wing

SECONDED BY: Walter Peckham, 413 Wing

RULES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING THIS MEETING

MOVED BY: Bob DiMillo, 424 Wing

SECONDED BY: Jim Scherb, 403 Wing

That the Rules of Order published in Booklet 103, issued July 1, 1992, govern the proceedings of this Annual General Meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 68TH ONTARIO GROUP AGM

MOVED BY: Doug Arnold, 404 Wing

SECONDED BY: Art Darnbrough, 413 Wing

That the 68th AGM Minutes be approved. Carried.

APPROVAL OF THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY ONTARIO GROUP EXECUTIVE THIS PAST YEAR

MOVED BY: Howard Johnston, 428 Wing

SECONDED BY: Vern Conklin, 429 Wing

That the actions taken by Ontario Group Executive over the past year be approved.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

MOVED BY: Bob Coxon, 441 Wing

SECONDED BY: Jim Browne, 432 Wing

That the Agenda, as presented, be accepted.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Chairman called upon the Immediate Past President, Les Ball, for the first reading of the Nominating Committee's Report. Les reminded the delegates that we are now back to a 2-year term.

Proposed slate of officers for Ontario Group

Nomination for President	Bob DiMillo
Nomination for 1st Vice-President	Susan Arsenault
Nomination for Treasurer	James Scherb
Nominations from the Floor	none

PRESENTATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Executive Reports have been distributed to all delegates and are recorded as follows:

Ontario Group President	Annex A
Ontario Group Immediate Past-President	Annex B
Ontario Honourary Group President	Vacant
Ontario Group First Vice-President	Annex D
Quinte Region Vice-President	Annex E
Eastern Region Vice-President	Annex F
Central Region Vice-President	Annex G
Western Region Vice-President	Annex H
Ceremonial Advisor	Annex I

DISCUSSIONS FOLLOWING THE EXECUTIVE REPORTS

President Hooper spoke about his relationship with the National Office.

Brenda Wilson has set up a private, for Ontario Group members only, facebook page. She now requires the secretary's name and contact information from each wing. She also requires a few moderators to help her. The executive is attempting to improve communication between them and the members.

Pat Hope, 418 Wing said she has new members who wanted to take a picture of every member and make a picture directory.

Don Pitman, 410 Wing feels the new man taking over from Hood will do a good job.

Doug Arnold, 404 Wing informed all that they are revising their by-laws and enquired as to what happens next. They must first be approved by Ontario Group and then 404 Wing members.

Bill Sergeant, 441 Wing, asked if the modes of communication on the Part I Form will be changed. Yes.

Murray Hope, 418 Wing questions why the magazine ceases immediately when a member passes on. He feels they should keep sending it until end of June unless requested by the family.

Bill Heron, 434 Wing stated that they have lost their charter and requested a replacement. None has appeared!

Walter Peckham, 413 Wing asked if Ontario Group keeps a list of award winners. They are listed in the minutes of every AGM.

DRAW WINNERS FOR THIS SESSION

Doug Arnold, 404 Wing
Dave Strange, 413 Wing
Jim Browne, 432 Wing

End of 1st Business Session

RCAFA TRUST FUND PRESENTATION

Larry Paziuk gave a very comprehensive report on what the Trust Fund is for and how bequests and donations are handled. He also spoke about the RCAFA Ambassador Fund which was set up to provide financial assistance to Group Presidents on behalf of Group Executive. It stands at \$3100 as of January and is supposed to be available to Group Presidents.

Les Ball, 429 Wing moved that we task our Trust Fund representative to find out how we can access these funds, seconded by Don Pitman, 410 Wing and carried.

Contact information for our reps follow: Larry Paziuk, 416 Wing,
416wingpresident@outlook.com or Bruce Harden, 432 Wing, bruceharden@gmail.com

Les stated that in his position as IPP, the Ontario Group Handbook revisions are for him to produce. The first section is for everyone, the second is for the Ontario Group Executive only. It has all been converted to PDF form.

The president then announced that Don Feduck has had serious eye surgery and Grant McDonald also has had serious surgery. Our prayers and hope for early recovery go out to both of these gentlemen.

DRAW WINNERS

Mark Shipman, 416 Wing
Jay McArthur, 413 Wing

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Since the signed copy of the Auditor's Report for 2016-17 has gone on the missing list, the Auditor, John Stewart, confirmed that the Audit was done and no discrepancies were found. When it is located, it will be sent to all the wing presidents.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2018-19

This document was dispersed to all present and unfortunately the figures were found to be incorrect. The Treasurer is to redo and hand out the corrected copy at the 3rd business session.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Jim Scherb, Treasurer, moved the appointment of John Stewart, 403 Wing as the auditor for the next term, seconded by Donna Kuehl, 404 Wing. Carried, 2 against.

President John announced that the executive have accepted a bid from 424 Wing, Cornwall for the AGM in 2020.

REPORT FROM HOST COMMITTEE OF THE AGM IN 2019

Larry Paziuk, 416 Wing Kingston noted that the dates for the AGM next year will be May 17-19 and it will be held at the Ramada Inn at Highway 401 and Division St. The Wind Down Party will be held at the wing quarters and the theme is Jailhouse Rock. They are having a live band and hope that everyone will participate in the theme. Downtown Kingston is very historical and interesting and you can also go on a Thousand Island cruise if you have time over the weekend. Registration is \$165 and the room rate is \$120 (ish).

ADDRESS BY OPC CHAIRMAN

Chairman John Nolan addressed the delegates and gave an update on what's happening at the Cadet League of Ontario office and upcoming changes. He mentioned that the price of the OPC Tickets may change from \$2.50 to \$5.00. He will take back our displeasure and discuss with the rest of the executive. Nick Czernkovich, 408/437 Wing suggested they might have to change the prices back in order to sell books of tickets.

Donna Kuehl, 404 Wing said it is a challenge to get graduates to join the Association. Could you have a liaison from the alumni to our wings? OPC will look into this suggestion.

Nick also suggested that in regards to power flying if they bought a block of time it could then be divided by those flying and would be much cheaper.

RESOLUTIONS

Sandra Carter, RVP for Quinte, brought to the floor Ontario Group Hand Booklet 113, page 22, paragraph 14.08 sub paragraph 11 which states that each Regional VP is to conduct two Regional Conferences annually. The members of Quinte Region recommend that only one Regional Conference need be held annually, such conference to be held in the spring of each year. Cecile Thompson, 444 Wing, suggested one in the spring before the AGM and one every other year in the fall. Joanne Peckham, 413 Wing remarked that the spring meeting could be a critical meeting and the fall could be workshops.

Notice of Motion

Organize at least ONE area conference each year, in spring of the year.
Changing the word two in booklet 113, page 22, paragraph 14.08, sub-paragraph 11, to ONE to reflect the change requested.

Respectfully submitted: Quinte Regional Wing Presidents and their members.

This Notice of Motion was moved by Sandra Carter, Quinte RVP, seconded by Murray Hope, 418 Wing and carried.

2ND READING OF NOMINATIONS FOR THE ONTARIO GROUP EXECUTIVE FOR THE 2018-20 TERM.

Ontario Group President

Bob DiMillo

1st Vice-President

Susan Arsenault

Treasurer

Jim Scherb

Nominations from the Floor

Walter Peckham for 1st Vice-President

By Dave Sharp, 413 Wing

Les announced that the vote tomorrow will be by secret ballot and the two members nominated for the 1st VP position will each have 2 minutes to speak before the vote.

The Ceremonial Advisor, Tommy Thomas then announced the Head Table guests and sub-tables for the Gala Dinner.

Guest speaker will be Blake Morrison, B.Ed., LLB. Mr. Morrison is a lawyer with both military and civilian experience as well as military pilot experience with helicopters, tutors and CF 18 jets.

3rd READING OF THE NOMINATIONS FOR ONTARIO GROUP EXECUTIVE 2018-20

Ontario Group President	Bob DiMillo
1 st Vice-President	Susan Arsenault Walter Peckham
Treasurer	Jim Scherb
Nominations from the Floor	none

Bob DiMillo and Jim Scherb are acclaimed and ballots were dispensed by the secretary to the delegates on the Roll Call and any proxies they held.

The vote was taken and the ballots checked and counted by two ladies in the outer room and Susan Arsenault will be the new 1st Vice-President.

Motion to destroy the ballots was made by Murray Hope, 418 Wing and seconded by Alan Fell, 432 Wing and carried.

NEW BUSINESS

June 9th is the service at Deseronto – summer dress.

Cecile Thompson then spoke about dissolving 444 Wing. The majority of her members are transferring to 408/437 Wing. She thanked everyone for their support over the years and especially the friendships she has made.

VE Day, Toronto, May 8/18. Nick Czernkovich, 408/437 Wing showed up with President John to do a display with materials from National and Dean didn't show up or send any materials. Very embarrassing. There was nothing in the media either.

Len Milligan and Vern Conklin, 429 Wing, suggested an increase in Ontario Group dues from \$5 to \$8 per year. This is to be discussed at your Fall Regional Meetings.

Jim Scherb then distributed corrected copies of the financial reports. Moved by Jim Scherb, seconded by Howard Johnston, 428 Wing that they be approved. Carried. 1 opposed. Copies of these reports are attached to these minutes.

Ceremonial Advisor, Tommy Thomas announced wreath layers for the memorial service.

The closing ceremonies will follow directly after the memorial service and then the Awards Luncheon. Don't forget the Wind Down Party later (Down East Kitchen Party) with live music by the Sarnia Kitchen Party Band.

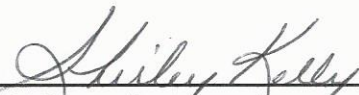
INSTALLATION OF 2018-20 ONTARIO GROUP EXECUTIVE

The following members will be installed in their positions for 2018-20 at the closing ceremony.

Ontario Group President	Bob DiMillo
Ontario Group Past President	John Hooper
1 st Vice-President	Susan Arsenault
Treasurer	Jim Scherb
Eastern Region VP	Bette Coyle
Quinte Region VP	Sandra Carter
Central Region VP	Brenda Wilson
Western Region VP	Rene McKinnon
Ceremonial Advisor	Tommy Thomas
Secretary	Bette Coyle

CLOSING PRAYER

President Hooper gave the Closing Prayer and closed the 69th Ontario Group AGM.



Shirley Kelly, Recording Secretary



John Hooper, President