

SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
CENTRAL BRANCH

Minutes SAOC Meeting

21 September 2010

1. The President, Bob Wallace, brought the meeting to order at 19:30hrs and welcomed the members present.

The following members were present:

Rob Quaia	Jim Pfaff	George Sullivan
Dave Soule	Gord Burns	Bob Davidson
Fred Schatz	George Roach	Bob Wallace
Dave Ashling	Terry Wyss	Butch Thompson
Gerry Rutherford		

2. The previous minutes were accepted as read. Motioned by George Sullivan and seconded by Fred Schatz. Motion Carried.
3. There was one application for membership in SAOC (Central) this month: Richard Morgan, London, ON. Approved for membership.
4. Correspondence: We had an email from SAOC (West) indicating they do not have a pattern for an Association tie and would be interested in a group effort on procuring one.
5. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer, Gord Burns presented the financial report. Our current net worth is \$9,615.38 Moved by Gord Burns to accept the report as read, seconded by George Sullivan. Motion Carried.
6. Membership: Fred Schatz reported we have 188 paid members for 2010, 111 for 2011. Motioned by Fred Schatz to accept report, seconded by Butch Thompson. Carried
7. Entertainment: Nil Report. Peter Heppleston not in attendance.
8. Slops: Sales were quite good over the AGM/BBQ weekend at approximately \$900.00 The new polo shirts were very popular and pretty well sold out. T shirts did not sell all that many and in children's sizes which had been requested in the past sold very few so that was a little disappointing. We have a substantial number of T shirts which may prove somewhat difficult to move. Moved by George Sullivan Slops report be accepted as read, seconded by Terry Wyss. Carried.
9. NCVA/Service officer report: Nil Report. Peter Wilkins not in attendance.
10. Old Business:
 - a. General Belzile ~ Honourary Membership: The secretary George Sullivan, is to draft a letter advising General Belzile of his Honourary Membership in the Association.

- b. Peter Wilkins is requested to draft a letter in support of Pat Strogan, the Veteran's ombudsman.
- c. An appreciation certificate has been designed, all that remains is to acquire frames for them and then they can be presented to those deserving. Bob Wallace is looking into this.
- d. George Roach ~ Slops Items: George Roach, apparently, has found some reasonable sources for various items, however, to date has not forwarded any of them to our Slops representative nor has he indicated who they are at any meeting. Two embroidery files were provided by the association to George to assist in researching sources and getting tentative prices, however, George went ahead and purchased items based on personal orders which he delivered at the meeting. He mentioned something about "contracts" but wasn't clear on this.
- e. BBQ/AGM washup. Both events went well, the food was great as always, however, the attendance was poor. 28 attended the AGM and 50 to 60 attended the BBQ. Again a truly disappointing turnout from our local members considering the time and effort people put into this event. The best turnout of all was the farewell breakfast with 32 people attending. Total costs for the BBQ were \$1511.00

11. New Business:

- a. Gord Burns suggested having a regular meeting during a lunch hour on a weekday vice on a Tuesday evening. Combining with a luncheon on a weekday is an option. The executive will look into this.
- b. George Roach passed on that Bill Hom mentioned could we look into an AGM/BBQ on OJIBWA opening in Port Burwell if the OJIBWA project comes to fruition. The President noted this would be a major project and we cannot go forward with it unless we have a substantial number of volunteers up front. To be reviewed.
- c. We have received correspondence from the U.K. soliciting funds to refurbish HMS/M Alliance (submarine museum in Gosport, former HMS Dolphin.) The submarine is in pretty bad shape and requires substantial funds to bring back up to scratch. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that with ONONDAGA in place, OJIBWA project coming up and the submarine Centennial occurring in 2014 whatever monies are spent should be spent in Canada.

12. 50/50 draw. Richard Guitar. Member not present. \$6.50

13. It was moved by George Roach, seconded by George Sullivan the meeting adjourned at 20:15. Motion carried.

Next meeting: November 23, 2010: January 18, 2011: March 22, 2011

Original signed by:

Bob Wallace
President

Original signed by:

George Sullivan
Secretary