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practice of half-masting the Regt Flag was going well at unit level. He mentioned that his staff is still looking at a design for a commemorative Regt coin. He briefed on the success of last year's Ex EXECUTIVE HUNTER and the intent for 3rd Bn to conduct a similar ex in the early summer.

**3 Reports**

a. **Guard.** There was no update from the Guard as its meeting was postponed.

**b. Association**

(1) The RM provided the report on behalf of the Assn:

(i) The Assn is prep for its 60th Anniversary celebration which will occur during the period 31 Aug-3 Sep 07 in Calgary;

(ii) The Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission has revoked the Assn's casino licence. The Assn will only be allowed to conduct one more casino, which is now scheduled for the 4th quarter of 2006. The RM added that this could have significant effect on the funds avail to support the museum. He said that the Regt Fund should apply for a casino licence and that he should do so immediately so that there is not a significant gap between the last Assn-run casino and the first Regt Fund casino. The REC may be faced with a decision concerning the funding of the curator' position if there is a significant gap in receipt of casino funds;

RM

(iii) The RM briefed on the Assn's desire to assist any soldiers who are recuperating from wounds and injuries away from their units. The COR stressed the importance of the Assn's VPP program. He introduced the Assn's desire to support units on deployment by sponsoring in-theatre community developments and activities. The Assn plans on raising funds now that can be forwarded to units in-theatre once projects are identified.

**a. Financial**

(1) The RM presented the Financial Report at Flag 2.

(2) The RM walked the group through the financial statements as of 31 Dec 05. He explained that statements did not reflect the planned restructuring of the accounts.

(3) The RM briefed on the status of the investments and drew the REC's attention to summary sheets at Flag 2.

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(4) The REC expressed satisfaction with the financial management of Regt Funds. The Financial Report was accepted as presented.

(5) The RM briefed on the success of the Kitshop. The target amount of sales had been set at \$300K but the Kitshop surpassed this amount with approx \$350K in sales. This equates to approx \$72K in gross profit and \$51K in net profit. The RM explained that \$30K of this profit will go to the museum to pay for the curator and the remaining \$21K will be used for Kitshop operations (i.e. inventory). The RM warned of much lower sales this year due to the 1st Bn's absence on operations.

(6) The RM stated that the letter explaining the new policy on tax receipts for Ret dues would be inserted with the mail out of tax receipts. RM

(7) The RM advised the REC to expect higher audit fees this year because of the extra work required to assist with the restructure.

**b. Museum / Heritage**

(1) The RM briefed on the status of expansion plans for the Museum of the Regiments (MOR). He explained that the plan was ongoing and that the decision for proceeding with expansion now lies with the VCDS. It was hoped that the VCDS would give his approval by end of Feb.

(2) The RM explained that the Executive Director's position had been converted to a Public Service position. A competition had been held and a new director hired. The new director will start in Oct 06. LCol John Slater would fill the director's position until that time.

(3) The RM re-emphasized the need to post another soldier to the Regt Museum as the archivist. He also warned about the potential loss of the curator should funding become an issue. The REC was in agreement that we should retain a professional curator.

(4) The RM advised that a Regt Heritage WO position had been created at RHQ and that WO Jones was now filling the position.

**c. 100th Anniversary**

(1) The Chair provided a SITREP on the progress and activities of the 100th Anniversary Planning Cmte. He briefed that the various sub-committees were slow in completing their assigned sections of the draft National Plan. He directed that he wanted the draft completed by the end of April 06.

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	(2) The COR stated that a fundraising committee will be formed once the financial targets are identified.	
4	<b>Old Business</b>	
	a. <b>COR Succession.</b> The COR briefed that the process for identifying his successor was continuing and that the Guard would have to make the final decision secretarially. His intent is to hold the Change of Appointment as part of the Change of Command of 1st Bn in late Aug 06.	
	b. <b>CINC Succession.</b> The COR briefed the REC on the latest discussion wrt succession planning for the CINC.	
	c. <b>RHQ Manning.</b> The RM re-stated the need for NCM to fill the archivist position in Calgary. He also requested a soldier to replace the retiring NCO in the Kitshop. He reminded the REC that he was going short one Sgt in the Accts Section and that this position would need to be filled within a year. The Chair asked the RM to continue to work with unit RSMs and the Career Mgr to fill these positions.	RM RSMs
	d. <b>Ottawa Reps on REC.</b> The RM raised the issue that no one has yet to be identified to act as Ottawa reps on the Rec. The Chair directed that he wait until after the APS to determine who would be aval.	RM
	e. <b>Rifle Sect Comd Recognition.</b> The RM advised that WO Jones is the OPI.	
	f. <b>Partnership with the Rakkasans.</b> The Chair confirmed that RHQ has the lead in establishing a Regimental partnership with the Rakkasans.	RM
	g. <b>Unit Op Tour Streamers.</b> The RM explained that Col Stogran remains OPI but that he had not yet been able to make much progress on this idea. LCol Minor and CWO McNaughton volunteered to take this project on and to do the necessary research and staff work.	WATC reps
	h. <b>Hamilton Gault Skill at Arms Competition.</b> The RM stated that WO Jones is the OPI for creating a revised shooting competition. The REC agreed to re-institutionalize the Cock of the Walk shooting competition.	RM
5	<b>New Business</b>	
	a. <b>Funds to RHQ.</b> The RM explained the limited and inadequate public funds he receives to operate RHQ. He advised that he would work with the DCOs of the units to help source more funds. It was decided that for future years, the 1st Bn should build RHQ requirement into their budget request from Brigade. The RM was tasked to check on the Brigade allocation to the LdSH for its Regt support.	RM

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b.	<b>CINC Funeral Planning.</b> The COR advised the members of his discussion with the CINC wrt her funeral. The RM is to develop a Guard Directive and a funeral plan. The COR plans to write to Lady Patricia's eldest son, Lord Brabourne to ensure he knows of the Regt's desire to participate.	RM COR
6	<b>Misc</b>	
a.	<b>SA Inventory.</b> The RM advised the Museum had been directed to catalogue and register all weapons that are museum pieces. WO Wanvig has been tasked to ensure all Regimental pieces are identified and duly recorded. There was a discussion about the difference between Regimentally owned property and property owned by the Bn. The RM acknowledged that this was a bigger issue that will need to be addressed at some time.	RM  RM
b.	<b>BIQ Update.</b> LCol Minor provided an update on BIQ and BMQ training.	
c.	<b>KapYong Anniversary.</b> LCol Sharpe advised that the KapYong celebrations this year would be modest due to operations and training commitments. There was a concern that KapYong and KVA vets were still planning to come to Shilo for the celebration despite the low-key affair.	
7	<b>Adjournment.</b> The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1550 hours. The next meeting will be held in Ottawa during the Merit Board (approx mid-Oct 06).	All

Approved / ~~Not Approved~~

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13 Mar 06

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