

GABRIOLA ISLAND SQUADRON

Minutes of the Bridge Meeting

Held on October 18th, 2021

Via Zoom

Commander Jean van Praet called the meeting to order at 1503.

Present: Jean van Praet, Don Butt, Ivan Bulic, John Bullas, Mike Hoeinghaus, Agathe Gaulin, Elaine Pearce, Gary Small, Li Decosas, Jude Briscoe, Bob Derksen, Carole Lemieux, Andy Hunter.

Regrets: Sean Lewis, Bob Wood, Nigel Wells.

Minutes of the previous meeting of September 1st, 2021: moved by **Don**, seconded by **Andy**, that the Minutes be accepted. **Approved.**

Reports: Commander's report, Communications, Membership and Webmaster's are on the website. **Elaine** stated that there were 43 members at this time.

Correspondence: none was received by **Carole**. **Bob Derksen** wrote a detailed report on the closure of the Silva Bay Shipyard and he discussed his assumptions behind the report which was attached to a draft agenda from **Jean**. **Jean** solicited opinions from the bridge members present.

Financial report: **Jude** stated that the squadron had \$6,000 + in the bank.

Educational: **Agathe** discussed the courses current and pending. There are now 11 students, none from Gabriola. B2 & 3 are self-studying and the students prefer physical manuals. **Jean** authorized **Agathe** to purchase these manuals. B-4 is postponed until Nov. 3rd. Discussion on tutoring.

Zoom: the squadron is currently using **Don's** subscription and discussion around whether the squadron should subscribe on its own. **MOTION:** moved by **Andy**, seconded by **Mike**, that the Gabriola Squadron goes ahead and gets its own Zoom subscription. **Approved.** **Agathe** stated that she would like to compare Zoom with Go-To-Meeting to see which is more suitable.

PRO: **Jean** thanked those who helped on Sept. 4, 5 & 6. **Agathe** discussed write-ups in the Sounder and will arrange to meet with Sarah.

Advertising & Communications: Jean thanked **Mike** for the sandwich boards and Scuttlebutt contained information on the courses.

Don stated in his report that he is looking for an assistant to possibly take over Scuttlebutt.

Social: there will probably be no Fall or Xmas social due to COVID-19.

VIND: **Jean** and **Don** attended on Sept. 26th via zoom. Meeting detailed in **Jean's** report.

Next meeting Monday, November 15th @ 1500.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1624.