

The Forty-Second Royal Highland Regiment of Foot, Grenadier Company
Annual Business Meeting
April 2, 2022
The History Center, Lafayette, IN

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:31 am EDT.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: 21 of the 48 paid Full members were present at the beginning of the meeting, providing a quorum (15 required).

FULL –Matt Adams, Nancy Bain, Cliff Catt, Kim Catt, Beth Chowning, Justin Chowning, Corey Coovert, Mark Coovert, Eric Dilger, Shawn Hall, Tracie Hall, Rose Hamilton, Holly Hamilton, Will Hamilton, Valerie Long, Ian McNulty, Kayte Ossler, Kevin Ossler, Patrick Ossler, Harvie Teague.

RECRUIT – Gene Kramer, Maria Norman.

Approval of Minutes: MOTION by Cliff Catt to approve the 2021 meeting minutes. Motion Approved

Call for Agenda Additions: None

Last Post: No new additions.

OFFICE HOLDER REPORTS:

Commander: Shawn Hall – 2021 report was printed in the 3/14/22 BC

Vice Commander: Will Hamilton – No report

Adjutant: Kayte Ossler – 2021 report was printed in the 3/14/22 BC.

Paymaster: Kayte Ossler – 2021 report printed was in the 3/14/22 BC. The current combined bank balance is: \$9,574.80

Corporate Agent: Don Fisher – Absent; Kayte reported the IN-business entity report was filed last August and both Federal & State taxes have been filed for 2021.

Quartermaster: Jillian Miller – Absent; the 2021 report was printed in the 3/14/22 BC.

Armorer: Cliff Catt – 2021 report was printed in the 3/14/22 BC.

Provost Marshal: Patrick Ossler – Aspirin, Non-Aspirin, & Antacids have been replaced. The bag is ready for the 2022 season.

Sergeants-at-Arms: Mark Coovert & Eric Dilger – 2021 report was printed in the 3/14/22 BC.

Publication Editor: Katie McNulty – Absent; No report.

Webmaster: Heather Kinser – Absent; No report.

Public Facebook: Michelle Ford – Absent; No report.

Historian: Will Hamilton – No report.

JAG: Harvie Teague – No report

I.G.: Will Hamilton – There will hopefully be inspections with a few new recruits at Vincennes for them to get their shillings.

AUDIT REPORTS

Unit Treasury Report – Cliff Catt

The financial audit went well with all transactions being documented. No concerns or suggestions for improvement.

Property Inventory Report – Jillian Miller (absent); Kayte provided the report

The listing to show who has what as of the end of 2021 was printed in the 3/14/22 BC. Kayte noted there aren't any shirts as part of the loaner equipment. MOTION by Harvie for the XL shirt from the Underly sale be moved from the Company Store to loaner equipment. Motion Approved. MOTION by Mark C to move the ladies clothing from the Company Store to loaner equipment. Motion Approved. Matt Redbeard suggested the Unit get a clothes horse and bring 1 set of men's clothing to each event for display and to have on hand to outfit potential recruits. The suggestion will be discussed by the Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Regimental Colours – Kayte Ossler

Both sides of the flag have been sewn together and a flagpole sheath has been constructed. The two pieces need to be connected.

Pictorial GIR – Will Hamilton

GIR updates are complete; Officer & musician photos are needed and will be taken at Vincennes. The updated document will then be circulated to the Board and Senior Field Command for review & approval.

Recruiting: Kit Acquisitions – Shawn Hall & Kayte Ossler

As seen on the Property Inventory Report, the Holm & Gill kits have been acquired. Anyone needing loaner equipment is asked to contact Kayte by the Thursday prior to an event. Shawn has been in contact with Robin who is looking at Steve's things. He's also reached out to Charlie. Shawn also plans to reach out to Mary Carl. It was suggested that contact be made with Diane Belpasso, Earle Davidson, Jon Moore, & Jesse Penman.

Recruiting: Public-facing materials – Emily Hayes (absent); Shawn & Kayte provided the report

Shawn got the trifold from Emily and will be printing those for Vincennes. Kayte is in possession of the business cards and is working on the frame for the laminated poster.

Belly Box Flaps – Will Hamilton

Instead of purchasing the pre-printed flaps as discussed a year ago, Will purchased a stamp but needs a press. Presses are made in China, so it’s currently sitting in a cargo box out at sea.

Grant Procurement – Valerie Long

There hasn’t been any recent activity. Val needs a list of ideas for pursuing grants. Ideas discussed were: loaner tent(s) for recruiting, ability to purchase gun powder, ability to purchase raw materials for making kits to reduce the cost of joining, food for a cooking demonstration, gasoline cards to enable members to travel to/from events. It was suggested that Tippi’s grant writer would be a good connection. Val will reach out to Malcolm.

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

NWTA Report: Kayte recapped the email sent March 9th.

Line Report: The Line discussed marching & drill evolution and their plans for drilling before Vincennes. MOL will carry their own water as they can, but more participation from the women is wanted.

Distaff Report: Camp & Field command will be decided at each event depending on who’s there. It was reiterated that MOL should carry either a canteen, a tin cup, or even a bottle of water in their haversacks. Women will carry extra water & sanitizing wipes. A camp cook will be planned for Ft. Massac.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Recognition

7-year medals were awarded to Mark Coovert, Holly Hamilton, & Harvie Teague with thanks for their service.

14-year medals were awarded to Mark Coovert, Corey Coovert, & Rose Hamilton with thanks for their service.

25-year medals were awarded to Corey Coovert & Rose Hamilton with thanks for their service.

2022 Event Schedule

Voting was via Election Runner. Following member voting it was determined the top 4 events (1st column) would be considered “Unit Events” for 2022. During Muster discussion, it was decided to shift Creve Coeur Club to be a Unit event due to the ability for individual members to earn payment for event participation. Anyone attending the events in the 2nd column will need to register independently.

45 votes for Vincennes	21 votes for Cantigny
42 votes for Ft. Massac	15 votes for Vermillion Valley (Westville, IL)
41 votes for Feast of the Hunters’ Moon	13 votes for Ft. Chartres (in June)
32 votes for Celtic Fest Ohio	12 votes for Market Fair (Locust Grove, KY)
	9 votes for Colonial Market Days (Lebanon, IN)
	8 votes for Ft. Chartres (in November)
	7 votes for Ft. Meigs
	4 votes for Old Falls Village (Menomonee Falls, WI)
4 votes for Creve Coeur Club of Peoria	

Announcement of the 2022-2024 Board of Directors

Voting was via Election Runner. The people with asterisks (*) are those who were elected.

Matt (Redbeard) Adams	*	Valerie Long	
Justin Chowning	*	Katie McNulty	
Will Hamilton	*	Kayte Ossler	*
Emily Hayes	*	Harvie Teague	*
Heather Kinser		Yancey von Yeast	*

Election of the 2022-2024 Regimental Commander

Will Hamilton was the only individual from the elected Board willing to stand for Commander. MOTION by Eric Dilger for Will Hamilton to be elected Commander by unanimous consent. Motion Approved. Will appointed Kayte as Deputy Commander.

Incoming Commander Comments

Will asked for 3 cheers in appreciation of Shawn stepping up as Commander for the last four years. HIP HIP HUZAH!

2022 Office Holders

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| Paymaster – Patrick Ossler | Provost Marshal – Patrick Ossler |
| Adjutant – Kayte Ossler | Sgt at Arms – Mark Coovert & Eric Dilger |
| Quartermaster – Harvie Teague | Publications Editor – Katie McNulty & Matt Redbeard |
| Armorer – Cliff Catt | Historian – Yancey von Yeast |
| Inspector General – Kayte Ossler | Judge Advocate General – Harvie Teague |
| Corporate Agent – Don Fisher | Webmaster – Heather Kinser & Kevin Ossler |
| | Social Media – Michelle Ford & D’Arcy Berry |

Holiday Party

MOTION by Corey for the 42nd to have a conjoined holiday party with Tippi at Baker's farm. Motion Approved. Kim & Cliff will be the coordinating liaisons.

In-camp/rope line activities

Discussed various rope line activities such as pay call, floggings, cooking demonstrations.

Cogswell sale

The items for sale were published in the BC and are here at Muster. All monies achieved from the sale will go to the Cogswell family.

Benefits of being a 501c3

Shawn shared information from his tax advisor that even if you don't itemize on your taxes, you can deduct \$300 cash donation since we donate our time at events. There's more that can be deducted if itemized.

Unit Sponsored Meal

Kimmie suggested a unit sponsored meal at Vincennes would be nice since we have a lot of money in the coffers. Justin pointed out that'd be a lot of alcohol.

MOTION by Harvie Teague to adjourn the meeting. Motion Approved. Meeting ended at 12:28 am EDT

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayte Ossler
Adjutant