

**The Forty-Second Royal Highland Regiment of Foot, Grenadier Company**  
**Annual Business Meeting**  
**April 10, 2021**  
via Microsoft Teams Meeting

Due to COVID-19, the annual business meeting was held virtually with electronic voting occurring 3/22-4/3.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:17 am CDT.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:** 20 of the 50 paid Full members were present at the beginning of the meeting, providing a quorum (16 required); four additional members joined late.

**FULL** –Matt Adams, Cliff Catt, Kim Catt, Mark Coovert, Eric Dilger, Joey Hall, Shawn Hall, Tracie Hall, Holly Hamilton, Will Hamilton, Emily Hayes, Tim Hess, Heather Kinser, Ian McNulty, Katie McNulty, Cole Miller, Jillian Miller, Carol Morris, JD Morris, Jim Morris, Kayte Ossler, Kevin Ossler, Harvie Teague, Yancey von Yeast.

**RECRUIT** – Beth Chowning, Justin Chowning. **APPLICANT** – Krystal Cheney.

**Set Discussion Time Limits:** Discussion time limit will be set at our standard 5 minutes per topic.

**Approval of Minutes:** Voting approval of the 2020 minutes was via Election Runner 41-Aye/0-Nay/9-Abstain.

**Call for Agenda Additions:** None

**Last Post:** Jack Wilkinson and Mike “Cuda” Carl are being added to the Last Post

**OFFICE HOLDER REPORTS:**

**Commander: Shawn Hall** – After a way-too-long break we’re going to get to camp again. Vincennes is a go!

**Vice Commander: Will Hamilton** – Happy we’re going to events this year. He can’t wait to see everyone.

**Adjutant: Kayte Ossler** – 2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC.

**Paymaster: Kayte Ossler** – 2020 report printed was in the 1/31/21 BC. Thanks to some donations and the virtual Muster keeping expenses low, we’re operating at a profit of \$116.53 for first quarter and the combined bank balance is: \$9,082.63

**Corporate Agent: Don Fisher** – Absent; Kayte reported that taxes have been filed.

**Quartermaster: Jillian Miller** –2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC.

**Armorer: Cliff Catt** –2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC.

**Provost Marshal: Patrick Ossler** – 2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC.

**Sergeants-at-Arms: Mark Coovert & Eric Dilger** – 2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC.

**Publication Editor: Jim Morris** – 2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC.

**Webmaster: Carol Morris** – 2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC. Carol corrected her report to indicate the website has been renewed for another 3 years. Carol also announced her resignation.

**Public Facebook: Michelle Ford** – absent; no report

**Historian: Will Hamilton** – 2020 report was printed in the 1/31/21 BC.

**JAG: Harvie Teague** – No report

**I.G.: Will Hamilton** – Inspections with Beth & Justin Chowning will occur at Vincennes for them to get their shillings.

**ORGANIZATION REPORTS**

**NWTA Report:** Shawn reported he’d attended the past two meetings virtually and nothing much is happening. Kayte reminded everyone this is a NWTA election year. So far, the only candidate is Marvin Rausch. The election will be a hybrid of electronic & paper again. If you verify your email in July you’ll receive an electronic ballot in August. If you don’t do the verification, you’ll receive a paper ballot. Voting deadline is Feast.

**Line Report:** Cole reminded everyone to look at their kits and handle repairs/improvements before Vincennes. Since it’s been a while since we’ve been out, Men of the Line are highly encouraged to practice the drill which is posted on the website.

<https://www.42grenadiers.com/42-history>

**Distaff Report:** Emily explained that with health concerns, it’s going to be very important that Men of the Line carry either their own water or a tin cup for water to be poured into.

**AUDIT REPORTS**

**Unit Treasury Report** – Jillian Miller

The financial audit went well with all transactions being documented. No concerns or suggestions for improvement. See Appendix A for the full report.

**Property Inventory Report** – Jillian Miller

The listing has been updated to show who has what as of the end of 2020. See Appendix B.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Regimental Colours – Matt “Redbeard” Adams

One side is complete (Matt held it up so everyone could see on screen) and the other side is in the works. He hopes to be complete by Vincennes.

### Pictorial GIR – Will Hamilton

Pictures will be taken at Vincennes to be incorporated into the document.

### Seven Year War Membership – Shawn Hall

Multiple attempts to contact the group have been made to get our questions answered with no response. Shawn recommends we cease trying.

### Recruiting: Kit Acquisitions – Shawn Hall

Shawn has two full kits in his possession which the Board has agreed to purchase from him at cost. He’s also reached out to Robin who is looking at Steve’s things.

### Recruiting: Public-facing Posters/Business cards – Emily Hayes

We’re going to begin with the dbl-sided 42nd/Louisa business cards. Emily is also in discussion with Jim on a poster for camp with information on how to get involved. Yancey will be creating the sign on which the poster can be mounted.

### Company Store: Missing Inventory – Dan Ford (absent); Shawn provided the report

Marty confirmed last May that the button mold could not be repaired and had been destroyed. He’s subsequently refused offers of assistance to retrieve the belly box stamp from storage and he isn’t sure where the Historian’s hard-drive is. The Board decided to cease its attempts to retrieve property and move forward with getting replacements. We’re going to transition to a more historically accurate belly box design and purchase new flaps at a bulk price of \$300 for 10 (\$30 ea.). Men of the Line have the option of either keeping or replacing their existing flap.

### Company Store: Procurement – Harvie Teague

Cost research into purchasing the raw materials to make kits occurred, but the Board determined it wasn’t economically feasible to purchase both full kits and raw materials in the same year. The decision was to move forward with purchasing 2 full kits in 2021 and hold on this project for now.

### Grant Writing Committee – Jim Morris

Jim has our mission statement but needs the list of Board members and their affiliations as well as photos/video of unit demonstrations. Testimonials would be good to have too. Heather spoke up to volunteer her assistance and mentioned a clearing house online listing grants. She also mentioned that if we contact a grocery store local to the event site, we may be able to get a grant to conduct a cooking demonstration.

## OLD BUSINESS

None.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 2021 Office Holders

Shawn explained he’d received a note from Katie McNulty that her dad would like to get re-involved and was hoping to work on the BC again, so he’s making a change to one position. The following members were appointed to staff positions for 2021.

Paymaster – Kayte Ossler	Provost Marshal – Patrick Ossler
Adjutant – Kayte Ossler	Sgt at Arms – Mark Coovert & Eric Dilger
Quartermaster – Jillian Miller	Publications Editor – Katie & Bob McNulty
Armorer – Cliff Catt	Historian – Will Hamilton
Inspector General – Will Hamilton	Judge Advocate General – Harvie Teague
Corporate Agent – Don Fisher	Webmaster – Heather Kinser (FB is Michelle Ford)

### Restating the Constitution & Bylaws

All three approved amendments were incorporated and members were asked to ratify the document as a whole. Voting was via Election Runner. 41-Aye / 0-Nay / 9-Abstain

### 2021 Event Schedule

Voting was via Election Runner. Following member voting the Board met and determined the top 5 events (1<sup>st</sup> column) would be considered “Unit Events” for 2021. Anyone attending the other events (2<sup>nd</sup> column) will need to register independently.

40 votes for Ft. Massac	18 votes for Cantigny
37 votes for Vincennes	15 votes for Ft. Chartres
33 votes for Feast of the Hunters’ Moon	10 votes for Ft. Meigs
26 votes for Forest Glen (Danville)	4 votes for Colonial Market Days (Lebanon, IN)
25 votes for Celtic Fest Ohio	

Kayte mentioned a one-day event in Peoria, IL September 18<sup>th</sup>. The sponsor is offering compensation of some sort, but details are unknown at this time. Further information will be circulated as it becomes available.

**Masks at Encampments**

Members were asked if they'd be in favor of wearing masks as a safety precaution at events when not mandated by the site/sponsor to do so. Voting was via Election Runner: 22-Aye/19-Nay/9-Abstain. Shawn provided an update that Vincennes is mandating masks inside the monument and the visitor center, and is highly encouraging the use of masks in camp, but they will not be mandated. Since voting was split almost 50/50, members may wear a mask or not as desired.

**Muster 2022**

Will has been speaking with White River State Park in Richmond, IN. The park is located in between Indy & Dayton and has rentable cabins, a campground, as well as RV hookups. The park is interested in hosting an event and may comp us the cost of hosting Muster there. Heather mentioned the pottery shop might be feasible although we'd need to rent a porta-potty. Mark suggested Eagle Creek and volunteered to make a phone call.

MOTION by Joey Hall/Kevin Ossler to adjourn the meeting. Motion Approved. Meeting ended at 11:37 am CDT

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayte Ossler  
Adjutant

## 42<sup>nd</sup> Royal Highland Regiment

Re: Official financial audit for 2020 Fiscal Year

Date 2/1/2021 10:00am-11:20am

To: The 42<sup>nd</sup> RHR Board of Directors

The financial records of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Royal Highland Regiment (42<sup>nd</sup> RHR), and the bank records from Purdue Federal Credit Union (PFCU), from 1/1/2020 through 12/31/2020 have been inventoried, examined and found by the audit committee, Cole Miller and Jillian Miller. Unit dues income exceeded budget by \$5 and company stores exceeded budget by \$40, however, due to COVID-19 restrictions all 2020 events were cancelled. This negatively impacted income by \$2050. All expenses were well under budget. All warrants agreed with bank records. The audit was conducted at the residence of Cole and Jillian Miller. Paymaster, Kayte Ossler, provided all required documents and records digitally.

All bank register transactions were reviewed, including 18 in checking and 12 in savings that were interest income only with no warrant number assigned. There were 12 monthly statements from PFCU, 18 regimental warrants, the checking account register, savings account register, 2020 actual financial summary and 7 pages of general ledger accounts.

### For the 42<sup>nd</sup> RHR Fiscal Year 2020 (1/1/20-12/31/20):

\$1,761.90 Total Income

\$1,968.09 Total Expenses

(\$206.19) Net Deficit

**Beginning Balance**      Checking: \$1697.36

Savings: \$8,280.39

**Ending Balance**      Checking: \$679.86

Savings: \$8,286.24

### Items of note:

No concerns were addressed by the audit committee.

### Suggestions concerning financial procedures for the future:

All suggestions resulting from 2019 Audit report were fulfilled.

There are no suggestions for 2020 Audit report.

Respectfully submitted,

Cole Miller and Jillian Miller

## Property Inventory

2020

Item	Possessed by:	Comments
Bell of Arms	Will Hamilton	
GR belly box stamp	Martin Webb	
Button mold	Martin Webb	Defunct & destroyed. REMOVE from list
Flag (#1) (including pole, cord, & finial)	Don Fisher	Finial location is unknown
Flag (#2)	Matt Adams	
Adjutant portable hard drive	Kayte Ossler	
Commander portable hard drive	Shawn Hall	
Communications Editor portable hard drive	Jim Morris	
Historian portable hard drive	Martin Webb	
Paymaster portable hard drive	Kayte Ossler	
Commander gavel	Shawn Hall	
Large framed Unit photo	Robin Klepfer	
Ribbon for service medals	Kayte Ossler	1 roll navy blue grosgrain 9 rolls gino-striped grosgrain
"Baker" regimental	Dan Ford	Dan Ford traded his regimental + \$100 for the "Baker" regimental. Payment pending
"Ford" regimental	Eric Dilger	
"Baker" waistcoat	Patrick Ossler	
"Baker" canteen	Shawn Hall	
"Baker" hat tin w/bear, bonnet & fatigue	Justin Chowning	