

**BRANCH 92 EXECUTIVE MEETING
FEBRUARY 6TH 2024**

ATTENDEES:

Bob Howard	President	Anne Parker	1 st Vice
Janet Gaylord	2 nd Vice	Owen Fitzgerald	Poppy Chair
Alf Read	Service Officer	Joanne Lancaster	Youth Education
Shirley Walker	L.A. President	John Robertson	Sgt. at Arms
Ann DeWolfe	Branch Manager	John Beddows	Executive
Shirley Howard	Secretary/Treasurer		

ABSENT:

Wes Rideout	Past President	Kevin Offord	3 rd Vice
Bill Beswetherick	House & Property	Dan Beauchamp	Executive
Mary Alguire	Executive	Chris Ormsbee	Executive

Review of the Executive Meeting Minutes on January 2nd 2024 reviewed and discussed. No changes or amendments made. Motion made by Shirley Walker to adopt the minutes as read and seconded by Joanne Lancaster. Carried.

An Incident occurred concerning Branch 92 and was brought to the attention of the Executive Members at tonight's meeting. It was discussed and a motion was made which resolved the issue.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Bob Howard reported that he had talked with Sgt. Dickson of the Gananoque Police service regarding the Teddy Bear Program. She stated that if the Legion wishes to make a donation it would be to the Lansdowne OPP Detachment. She also stated that the funds used would remain in our area. Bob stated he would bring this up at our next General Meeting on Feb 13th.

Also he plans to set up in April with Sgt. Dickson to arrange an information session regarding phone scams, phishing etc. It will be held during the day at our Branch for Legion members as well as the General Public and Senior groups etc.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Shirley Howard gave the report on the Branch's finances and we are still losing money.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received donations in memory of 2 ladies who passed this last month and Thank you cards were sent out to the donors.

P R O: Janet Gaylord first brought up the National Film Day being held Wednesday, April 17th 2024. She stated that we need to decide how we want to advertise it, whether to have it late afternoon or early evening, and the theme for the movie. If you go onto the National film site "Reels for Canada" the options are there. Review and make your suggestions. She is suggesting a film from 2015 and is a humorous documentary called "Being Canadian" and is 90 minutes long. Free Will Donation – and a Community Fundraiser.

2nd Rain Barrels – make it a Community Fundraiser. Will be on sale April 27th 2024. John Beddows gave Janet a contact person through the Town Hall to co-ordinate advertising.

Janet reports that a school in Kingston is selling Rain Barrels the same date as we plan and therefore we can share the transport delivery with that school. Also we'll be able to deliver them the same day.

POPPY CHAIR: Owen Fitzgerald reported that the Poppy campaign is put to bed at this time until early next summer. It was very successful this year and many thanks to all the volunteers.

MEMBERSHIP: Anne Parker stated her shredder is not working and either needs to be repaired or replaced. Also she has 2 people who are interested in hosting a "Murder Mystery" If we are interested, she is willing to speak with them to arrange a date.

BRANCH MANAGER: Ann DeWolfe reported that we have a big Celebration of Life this Saturday, the Super Bowl, cribbage and party on Sunday. The Wednesday Euchre is up to over 40 people. We are also having a St. Patrick's Day party with Tim Hallman from 1:30 to 5:30.

Sgt. at Arms: John Robertson reports that Robbie Burns function is over and was a great success. Everyone enjoyed themselves. Expenses were \$461.46 for groceries, roasts of beef and rolls of Haggis and money paid to dishwasher. Revenue was \$1700. Total Profit was \$1238.54. Bar sales were \$722.81. John made a motion to donate \$400. to the PWOR Pipe and Drum Band. John Beddows seconded the motion. Carried.

SERVICE OFFICER: Alf Read reports that he has 2 files in process. They are moving, but quite slowly.

YOUTH EDUCATION: Joanne Lancaster reported that February 18th is the Public speaking being held here at our Branch. Registration is at 1230. Owen and Pat Fitzgerald and Alf Read will be judging. Joanne will need 20 certificates printed out and the cheque for \$400. from the Poppy fund for the prizes. Joanne has notified Lorraine Payette, but has also asked Janet Gaylord to pass on the information so we can get newspaper coverage.

LADIES AUXILIARY: Shirley Walker mentioned there is a Valentine's basket to be raffled off. Next Friday lunch is February 16th .

Motion to adjourn

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY/TREASURER