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11 Sept 2025

**MINUTES OF FLEET CLUB ATLANTIC
GENERAL MESS MEETING 10 SEPT 25**

Chair: MS Hewitt PMC

Members:

MS Longmire	Interim VPMC
MS Lefrense	1 st VPMC
MS Nash	Secretary
MS Richards	Advertising/Media Rep
MS Moores	Financial
S1 Ouellet	Interim Entertainment/Events

Ex-Officio:

Mrs. Caitlin Andrecyk	PSP Deputy Manager
Mr. Robert Benoit	Fleet Club Mess Manager

Absent:

Vacant	Security
Vacant	Technical Chair
Vacant	Sports

Item	Topic	Action
1.	Introductory Remarks	
	PMC call General Mess Meeting to order and confirmed quorum. Motion to start meeting at 1013 hrs by MS Richards 2 nd MS Gormley Motion carried Meeting called to order @ 1014	PMC
2.	Previous Mess Minutes	
	Previous mess minutes were read by the PMC Motion to accept the Previous Mess Minutes by S1 Shewfelt 2 nd by S1 Francouer	PMC
3.	Financial Statement	
	MS Moores reviewed Financial Statement S1 Graham asked if we could lower mess dues, PMC said we would revisit once the PMC opened the floor to the membership. Motion to accept the Financial Statement by MS Wright 2 nd by MS Richards	PMC

4.	Old Business	
	<p><u>Patio</u> PMC had MS Lefrense explain to the mess that the sand trap will be removed from the patio, and that working with RPOps, ground will be broken on a new fully renovated patio by next month.</p> <p>--</p> <p><u>Furniture</u> PMC stated that the mess will purchase new patio furniture once the deck is built. The Mess will be getting new furniture for both Slackers and Mr Mac's which will incorporate a more darker colour scheme to make it look more a "Dive Bar".</p> <p>--</p> <p><u>Popcorn Machine</u> PMC stated that the Executive Committee, at the last Exec meeting, had voted in funds to either fix the popcorn machine that is currently broken or if unable to fix the machine, then they would purchase a brand-new popcorn machine.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Due to the many recommendations from the membership, the mess now has Guinness on tap.</p>	PMC
5.	New Business	
	<p>PMC stated that there were several positions that had to be voted and filled for the executive committee due to resignations/vacancies.</p> <p><u>Call for Nominations</u></p> <p><u>VPMC</u> MS Lafrense nominated MS Longmire, 2nd by S1 Ouellet MS Longmire accepted the nomination.</p> <p>MS Gormley was nominated, in which he refused the nomination</p> <p>MS Longmire voted in as the new VPMC</p> <p><u>Mess Secretary</u> MS Gormley self-nominated, 2nd by MS Clowes. S1 Eden Self-nominated, 2nd by S1 Allen MS Huckabone self-nominated, 2nd by S1 Allen</p> <p>MS Gormley voted in as the new Mess Secretary</p> <p><u>Entertainment Chair</u> S1 Ouellet nominated by S1 Francouer, 2nd by MS Longmire</p>	PMC/Executive

<p>MS Suter nominated by S1 Best, 2nd by MS Martin</p> <p>S1 Ouellet was voted in as the new Mess Entertainment Chair</p> <p><u>Events Coordinator</u></p> <p>S1 Cowen self nominated, 2nd by S3 Assaf Maisonneuve</p> <p>MS Doiron, nominated by S1 Best, 2nd by MS Lafrense</p> <p>MS Doiron was voted in as the new Mess Events Coordinator</p> <p><u>Media Rep</u></p> <p>Avr Jesso nominated S3 Burke who accepted the nomination, 2nd by Cpl Girard</p> <p>MS Laplante nominated S1 Belliveau who accepted the nomination, 2nd by MS Poole</p> <p>MS Lafrense nominated MS Huckabone, who accepted the nomination, 2nd by MS Wright.</p> <p>S3 Burke was voted in as the new Mess Media Rep.</p> <p><u>Sports Rep</u></p> <p>S1 Burnet nominated MS Huckabone, who accepted the nomination, 2nd by S1 Ouellet</p> <p>S1 Rogers self-nominated 2nd by S1 Cowen</p> <p>S3 Fahee nominated S3 Sekhon, who accepted the nomination, 2nd by S3 Corburn</p> <p>S1 Mallee nominated S1 Soper, who accepted the nomination, 2nd by S1 Allen</p> <p>S1 Brooks self-nominated, 2nd by S1 Allen</p> <p>MS Huckabone voted in as the new Mess Sports Rep</p> <p>--</p> <p>There was a question on if the mess could either fix or replace the sound system in the mess and MS Cleary put forth a motion to vote to spend upwards of \$100,000 to upgrade/purchase a new Mess sound system The Mess will look to get quotes and then come back to vote at a later date, 2nd by MS Huckabone.</p> <p>Motion passed by a majority vote.</p> <p>--</p> <p>MS Sampson put forth a motion to have a cost breakdown of an AV system sent out to mess members for review before the mess makes any purchases, 2nd by MS Lafrense.</p> <p>Motion passed by a majority vote.</p> <p>--</p> <p>PMC discussed the new bar hour changes, stating that the change was made to bring hours more in line with other messes across the</p>	
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	CAF, and that it was a Base Command decision to make that happen	
6.	Open Floor	
	<p>PMC opened the floor to any questions or concerns from the membership.</p> <p>S1 Baker asked the PMC if the mess could subsidize the Bar for cheaper drink prices. PMC said that it was the Mess is not allowed to subsidize the Bar prices.</p> <p>--</p> <p>S1 Jovanoski commented on the quality of PSP bar staff and asked if the Mess had any say in bar staff. PMC stated the role of PSP in messes CAF wide and that bar staff are unionized and fall under PSP purview.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Question was asked if here was a higher authority/command that can veto any mess decision. PMC explained that the Base Commander/Base Administration CO oversees all decisions made by the CFB Halifax messes, and they have the authority to veto a decision made by the Mess if those decisions don't align with the CAF.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Question was raised to reduce mess dues. PMC stated they the mess currently has some of the lowest dues CAF wide and explained the breakdown of where every dollar is spent. Additionally, the PMC explained the Mess is has been spending every dollar that has been coming into the Mess.</p> <p>--</p> <p>There was a question if the Mess could have drink tickets or have the use of a chit. PMC explained if the membership wants to put some money on the bar then they are allowed but the PMC is not allowed to "Ring the Bell"</p> <p>--</p> <p>Member asked if the Mess could pay to have a Gazebo set up in the smoke pit on base, PMC said no, as the smoke pit is not part of the Mess.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Member asked why do we have to pay mess dues? PMC explained that it is in CAF legislation and that every CAF member is part of a Mess and every member will pay Mess dues.</p> <p>--</p> <p>S3 Ryan asked if the Mess could limit Karaoke to maybe every other week and bring back showing the UFC events. PMC said that they could do that, the reason behind not showing as many UFC events was that members didn't show up to watch the events.</p>	

	<p>--</p> <p>Questions about possibly have a poll for upcoming events PMC said that they would entertain a poll to see how many members would show up to a Mess event.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Question was raised if the Mess could purchase season tickets for the upcoming Halifax Mooseheads Season, the Halifax Wanderers, and Halifax Thunderbirds sports teams. PMC said the Mess already buys tickets for the Mooseheads and that they would investigate purchasing tickets for the other teams.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Member asked if they Mess could buy different/more flavours of Pizza Pockets. PMC will investigate getting more of a variety.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Question was asked about purchasing more video games for use by the membership. PMC will investigate but stated that the mess does buy them and they usually are broken within a month, and that the membership must start policing each other to respect the items that the mess purchases.</p> <p>--</p> <p>PMC raffled off a total of 21 prizes, totaling \$5,000.</p>	
7.	Calendar Events	
	N/A	PMC/Executive
8.	Adjournment	
	<p>Motion to adjourn meeting by S1 Baker</p> <p>2nd by MS Wright</p> <p>Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 1140</p>	PMC/Executive

Date: 16 Sept, 2025

Nash, CM
MS
Secretary
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Date: _____

Hewitt. ML
MS
PMC
721-8219

Andrecyk, CJ
Civ
Deputy PSP Mgr.
721 8709

Date: _____

Recommended/~~Not Recommended~~

Berryhill, TA
Cdr
BAdmO
721 8611

Date: _____

Approved/~~Not Approved~~

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