

RCAF MUSUEM – AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL PROJECT

Minutes & Action Items Meeting 6

15 November 2006

Meeting held at MFRC 8 Wing Trenton

ATTENDEES

David Weir
Nelson Lyon
Ralph Thistle
Doug Chase
Capt Jennifer Mundy (Active 8 Wing ATC)
Bob Doan
Bill Nurse
Grant Anstey
David Penley

Regrets

Gerry Britt
Barry Cockerline
Dick Beaulieu

All of these active or retired ATC personnel now currently reside in the Trenton area.

The meeting commenced at 12:10

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

MATCHA Constituion

Weir noted that General Hussey, Kingston and Dirwin Hayes, Military Air Traffic Control Association (MATCA) Winnipeg have both reviewed the first draft of our Military Air Traffic Control Heritage Association (MATCHA) and have offered numerous suggestions. David Weir and Nelson Lyons met between meetings to review these suggestions and made tentative changes to the constitution.

The association reviewed the Weir/Lyons changes and made further amendments. This second draft will now be forwarded on to Hayes and Hussey for further comments.

RCAF Museum External Display

Nurse noted that there will be a meeting to possibly turn over the portable Control Tower from DND to the museum. Weir and Anstey will attend the meeting with the Curator and a DND equipment representative from Ottawa.

A general discussion followed about how to put on a solar powered audio presentation on the portable Tower once it is set up in the museum air park.

External Communications

Weir noted a meeting he had with Ernie Lund of Truro, NS former ATC (1943 -19XX) and Barry Cockerline. Ernie turned over historical information and photos to our group for preservation and display. Weir will send out a copy of Ernie's personal ATC history via email.

The group received copies of DARTS magazines for preservation from Jean Ravenda (retired ATC) via a meeting with Weir.

Fundraising

A general discussion took place regarding fundraising efforts with ATC equipment suppliers. It was decided that letters could be sent to companies such as Gillfillan, Motorola, Marconi, Raytheon etc requesting support for our project. Weir noted that he had a copy of Ernie Lund's qualification on Gillfillan radar from the 1950s that could be sent with the Gillfillan letter requesting support.

It was noted that we could solicit not only financial support but also inquire if these companies had equipment, photos etc that might be suitable for our displays.

Weir noted that Hussey had also suggested we request support from the air force.

Public Relations

Penley suggested that we solicit anecdotes from ATC personnel and then publish these in a newsletter. It was also noted that we could publish a book of these anecdotes as a way of raising funds for our project.

Officers of the Association

After much discussion the following personnel will assume the duties noted below:

Doan	RCAF Memorial Liaison Officer
Penley	Public Relations
Anstey	Museum Display Officer

Mundy	8 Wing WATCO Representative
Cockerline	Historian
Chase	Ass't Historian
Britt	Museum Display Committee
Beaulieu	Museum Display Committee
Thistle	
Weir	President, Fundraising Officer
Lyon	Vice- President, Display Committee

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES

To get maximum exposure for our project the minutes for this meeting, and subsequent meetings, will be posted to www.rcaf-atc.org As well, they will be distributed to MGen Hussey, MATCA, and Wing Air Traffic Controller Officers (WATCOs) nationwide.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place at 12:00 on Wednesday January 10th 2007. The meeting location is tentatively planned for the MFRC subject to confirmation.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:45 p.m.

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