287 Squadron Sponsoring Committee

Parent Meeting

February 20, 2019

**Attendees**: please see attached sheet

**Call To Order** at 16:37h

1. **Welcome and Introductions**- Brian Morrison welcomed the parents
2. **Approval of Agenda**- moved by Becky, seconded Trudy, carried
3. **Approval of Minutes**- moved by Trudy, seconded by Jamie, carried.
4. **Commanding Officer**- was unavailable this evening
5. **Fundraising**- presented by Jamie Murphy
	1. Jamie welcomed all parents who wanted to help with fundraising but emphasized that ideas would also be very welcome. Her email is jmurphy@tpi.ca and she encouraged parents to email any ideas or offers for help to her.
	2. **Upcoming Events** - Flower Basket Voucher sales are under way

-Bottle Drive – next one is March 16th

-Pictures- group/individual picture combos will be taken. Digital copies will be offered for a nominal price ($5-10) but donations will be encouraged. Details TBD

-Jamie will be approaching local businesses asking for donations and looking for ways to support them

Future Plans/Ideas include a Garage Sale during Beaumont Daze, Apple case sales, Mundare Sausage sales, VIP Meats sales, Ritchie Bros, etc

* 1. **Importance of Fundraising**- To run a full calendar of activities for a Squadron costs approximately $800/cadet. Many of the activities including the rental costs of facilities are funded through fundraising efforts therefore parent participation is essential.

**Provincial League Fundraising Efforts**- Carole presented- The Provincial League runs two camps- Wright and Worthington and the Glider Program which is currently in need of a new glider plane and more. Since every Squadron is given the opportunity to go gliding each year, it is important that we support this program by participating in the following events: Dave Hatfield- March 23rd in Edmonton 7-10pm $35/ticket

Golf Tournament Volunteers needed for May 11th at the Garrison

Casino in Edmonton July 24th and 25th- volunteers needed

1. **Parent Screening-** Trudy presented- For the benefit of the new parents she explained what the process consisted of and why it is necessary. It is a four-part process: Application Form, Police Criminal Record Check, Interviews with four references and a Personal interview with two other screened parents. It is important that as many parents as possible be screened- this protects the Cadets, the reputation of the Squadron and ensures that these parents are covered under our insurance plan. ‘Screening’ lasts for 5 years. Police Checks are currently free with a letter, but much be done at your local station- Ie Edmonton residents must go to the Edmonton Screening Station. Next year, Cadets will require that we use the online system which costs $25 per application.
2. **Questions and Answers**- None were put forward

**Meeting Adjourned at 19:45h**