

# **Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund**

# **Board of Trustees**

24 July 2025 By video conference at 1730 MST

Present:	
Mr. Dave Pentney	Chair / Treasurer
Mr Pete Hofman	Vice Chair
Mr. Paul Hale	Secretary / Fundraising
Mrs. Donna Campbell	Heritage / Veterans and Family
Mr Quentin Innis	Governance Chair
Mr. Derek Prohar	Educational Bursary
Mr Bryan Bailey	Cadets
Mr Alex Gault	Trustee
Mr Ernie Reumiller	Chief Financial Officer
Maj Steve Zivkow	Regimental Major
Absent / Regrets	
Greg Ferguson	President PPCLI Association

Item	Discussion	OPI/Action
1.	Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1730 (MST) hours, with a quorum.	Chair
2.	Opening Remarks: Dave advised that the HGMF recently received bequest form Robrt Peacock, initial disbursement is \$240,000 with another possible \$70,000 to follow as the final disbursement. There was also a bequest from Colin Bokovay in the amount of \$25,000. These funds will be added to the For the Soldier Legacy Fund once they have been received.	Chair

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3.	Approval of the Agenda:	Chair
	Motion for approval: by Pete Seconded by Quentin. <i>Carried</i>	
	Approval of minutes from 24 October 2025	Chair
4.	Motion for approval: by Donna. Seconded by: Paul. <i>Carried</i>	
	a. Financial Report (as per attached slide)	CFO
	2025 2nd Quarter Financial Review We currently have \$83,500 in the For the Soldier Legacy Fund.	
	Our funds have recovered from the ups and downs of the stock market and we currently have a gain of \$43,269.28.	
	Expenses for the past quarter have been low. \$2,000 to Fernie Cadet Corp, just over \$1,000 for Trustee travel to the AGM in Halifax. Our cost for BDO accounting services was \$7,128.87	
	Our next major expense will be \$20,000 for Educational Bursaries.	
	We received just over\$21,000 from Into the Summitt donations. A donation of \$20,000 has been made to Citadel Canine Society in Vancouver for a Service Dog.	
	We currently have \$29,421 in the bank account after the cheque to Citadel Canine Society has been cashed.	
5.	b. Finance Committee Report	Finance Chair
	There has been a net increase in HGMF investments of 3.3% for year to date. We currently have \$1,167,683 in the account.	
	c. 2025 Budget Review	Chair
	Dave reviewed the revised 2025 budget. Changes are highlighted red. Income has been invested. \$25,000 has been budgeted for Patricia Park and \$3,400 will be donated in support of Regimental History Vol V. BDO Accounting fees for 2024 were \$7,130.	
	\$50,000 will be moved from investments when needed.	
	Moved by Bryan and the updated budget be accepted. Seconded by Pete	
	d. Change of Accounting firm	
	BDO expenses have been consistently increasing in 2020 they were \$4,000 annually and in 2025 they are \$7,130 or an increase of 78% over 5 years. Ernie has researched other agencies in	Chair

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	Calgary that can provide the same service at lower cost as per the attached briefing note.	
	It was moved by Pete that we set aside the motion passed at the AGM on 24 May 2025 to approve BDO as the auditing agency for 2025. Seconded by Quentin. Carried	
	It was moved by Paul that we appoint Lockhart LLP accounting as our new auditing agency. Seconded by Derek. Carried	
	Bursary Program Update	Bursary Chair
	Derek briefed that application window has closed and we have received 23 applications. Some are incomplete and we are in the process of confirming that sponsors are a paid-up member of the PPCLI Association or a currently serving member.	
6	There were two PPCLI cadets who applied for bursaries, despite the fact that they will be aging out of the cadet program it was decided to keep their applications for this year. We will review the issue at our next meeting.	
6.	We also need to consider what to with respect to deceased members as sponsors who were not members of the PPCLI Association.	
	We are reviewing composition of the bursary committee to reduce it to 4 or 5 members and confirming date for reviewing applications.	
	There was a lengthy discussion on ensuring that sponsors know they must be members of the PPCLI Association.	
	Cadet Program Update	Cadet Chair
7	Top Cadet Corps was awarded to Fernie Cadet Corps. No Cadet Corps requested financial assistance.	
7.	There will be a strong push to encourage all Cadet Corps to participate in the Top Cadet Corps completion and to submit requests for financial assistance.	
	Support to Veterans and Families Update	V & F Chair
8.	\$20,000 donation to Citadel Canine Society. Donna will follow up for a photo of the dog and owner if possible.	
	There was a discussion about recipients for future donations. The majority of the agencies commented on were in Alberta. Dave commented that the HGMF had agreed with the PPCLI Association and three Casinos supported by the Regiment would	

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	support charities within Alberta, while the HGMF would look for	
	charities outside of Alberta.	
	Heritage Update	Heritage Chair
	a. Mike Levy Battlefield Tour (Korea 2026)	Paul Hale
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	Currently 6 registered for the Battlefield Tour, need 24 for a viable tour. Registration will close 31 Oct. Question raised re	
	airfare. Costs for a round-trip airfare are Vancouver \$1,640;	
	Edmonton \$1,695; Calgary \$1,745; and Toronto \$2,150	
	b. Balkans 35 Commemoration	Paul Hale
	Website will be operation early Sep. Estimated budget is 2.2	
	Million. Major budget items are	
	Oral Histories – 1,400 interviews 1.2 Million Six Interpretive Displays \$150,000	
	Electronic Storage \$150,000	
	Graphic Novel \$50,000 Written History \$15,000	
	Documentary \$200,000	
	Archivists \$110,000 Mental Health Training \$60,000	
	Academic Conference \$25,000	
	Advertising \$ 20,000 Contingency Fund \$200,000	
9.		
	Very ambitious. Fundraising will commence October 2025. Currently do not have a location for a National Repository of	
	Balkans 35 <sup>th</sup> material. Archivists will be responsible for	
	cataloging all material.	
	Mental Health (MH) is a significant concern. There will be	
	training for the Planning Committee and MH Advocates on the Balkans Tours. Mandatory 90 Minute MH sessions at start and	
	end of each tour. MH Advocate will be responsible for	
	identifying any individual who experienced significant issues and passing the info to Chair of MH committee so that we can follow	
	up.	
	Fundraising Chair is a member of the Edmonton Oiler	
	Fundraising Group, True Patriot Love and Invictus Games. Intent is to approach high profile donors. Asks will commence in Oct. I	
	should have a copy of the plan to be included in the Balkans	
	Campaign plan by 10 Aug.	
	c. Patricia Park	Vice-Chair
	On-site visit with Jennifer from Old World Paving to discuss	
	installations of stones. Concerned that the stones have not been	

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	delivered yet. They will arrive between $3-5$ Aug. The work to lower the stones will be completed prior to winter.	
	Trying to get a quote for the 4 pillars that have been displaced. No idea on how the pillars were constructed. Paul advised that he would forward contact info for Scorpio Masonry to Pete. They did the initial work on Patricia Park for the 100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary and should be able to provide a quote for repairs.	
	Governance	Governance
10.	Nothing to report at this time.	Chair
	Communications Update	Comms Chair
11.	Handeover between Paul and Bryan has not been completed. Will have it completed within the next two weeks.	
	Photos from Fernie Cadet have to be posted.	
	Fundraising Update	Fundraising
	Into the Summit was very successful despite a late start. Next year it should be in March. We will start fundraising earlier which should increase how much we raise.	Chair
	For the Soldier Institute completed their Casino two weeks ago. We do not know how much we raised until the end of the quarter. By end of October we should know how will be allocated to the HGMF.	
12.	Alex is in process of reviewing the draft Planned Giving document. Dave requested that everyone review the Planned Giving document he had distributed prior to this meeting and provide their comments to Alex.	
	Dave reiterated that we need funds for our core activities Cadet, Veterans and Families and Educational Bursaries. What are our fundraising targets and priorities for 2026? What agencies do we want to support outside of Alberta?	
	Donna and Alex will meet next week to discuss options.	
	Transformation Team Update	Chair
13.	Dave received an email from Mike Day. Paperwork has been submitted by the Foundation to their bank to initiate transfer of funds to HGMF. Hopefully this will happen by end-Aug. TBD!	

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14.	Open Forum  Dave advised that he has responded to Scott-Moncrieff & Company Barristers and Solicitors with respect to the Peacock Estate Bequest. Nothing heard back.  Ernie advised that repairs to the three statues at the Museum of Regiments is ongoing and should be completed by end of October.  RM advised that work is progressing well on Vol V of Regimental History. Archivists in the Regimental Museum are starting research for Vol VII.	OTIACUM
15.	Date and Time of Next Meeting  Virtual BoT meeting 23 October 2025 at 1730hrs Mountain Time	Chair
16.	Adjournment:  There being no further business or objections the meeting was adjourned at 1830 (MST) hours on a motion by: Alex	

Paul Hale

Prepared by: Paul Hale HGMF Secretary July 2025 Approved by: Dave Pentney HGMF Chair July 2025

## Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund Balance Sheet As at 06/30/25

## ASSET

Current Assets BMO Chequing Account Total Cash Investments HGMF Investments FTS Legacy Fund Accounts Receivable GST Total Refund Receivable Total Receivable Total Current Assets	49,421.80 0.00 211.91	49,421.80 1,167,683.39 83,657.02 211.91 1,300,974.12 1,300,974.12
LIABILITY		
Current Liabilities Accounts Payable (Note 1) Canada Helps Deferred Student Bursaries Deferred Qualified Donees Deferred Museum & Archives Deferred Cadet Support Deferred Veterans & Family Sp Trg Defer Legacy Stones Deferred FTS Legacy/110th Art Show Def Balkans 35th Deferred (Note 2)	0.00 7,200.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 21,074.00 1,440.00 0.00 0.00	6,955.00
Total Deferred Revenue		29,714.00
Total Current Liabilities		36,669.00
TOTAL LIABILITY		36,669.00
Retained Earnings Retained Earnings - Previous Year Current Earnings Total Retained Earnings		1,148,205.71 116,099.41 1,264,305.12
TOTAL EQUITY		1,264,305.12

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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

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Note 1: Accounts Payable Estimated BDO costs for 2026

Note 2: Balkans 35th Deferred Breakdown of donations in separate Excel SS.

# Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund Comparative Income Statement - Actual vs Budget

	Actu	ual	Buc	lget	
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REVENUE	06/30	)/25	12/3	1/25	Difference
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Revenue		0.00		00 000 00	00 000 00
HGMF Investments Revenue (N		0.00		30,000.00	-30,000.00
FTS Investments Revenue Tax Receipted Donations		83,564.84 2,318.04		0.00 35,000.00	83,564.84 -32,681.96
Non-Tax Receipted Donations (N		2,591.00		10,000.00	-7,409.00
Canada Helps Donations		860.00		0.00	860.00
United Way Donations		0.00		0.00	0.00
PayPal Donations		0.00		0.00	0.00
Student Bursaries Donations		0.00		0.00	0.00
Qualified Donees Donations		0.00		0.00	0.00
Museum & Archives Donations		0.00		0.00	0.00
Cadet Support Donations Veteran & Family Sp Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00
Into the Summit Donations	0.00		0.00		0.00
Total Veteran & Family Sp Donat	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Legacy Stones Donations	1,120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,120.00
110th Art Show Donations	577.10		0.00		577.10
Total Heritage Donations		1,697.10		0.00	1,697.10
Balkans 35th Total Donations (N		0.00		0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		0.00		0.00	0.00
Net Revenue	-	91,030.98		75,000.00	16,030.98
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Other Revenue					
HGMF Investments Unrealized G		43,269.28		0.00	43,269.28
FTS Investments Unrealized Gain	-	92.18		0.00	92.18
Total Other Revenue	-	43,361.46		0.00	43,361.46
TOTAL REVENUE	-	134,392.44		75,000.00	59,392.44
EXPENSE					
Charitable Expenses					
Memorials		551.22		5,000.00	-4,448.78
Bursaries (Note 4)		0.00		20,500.00	-20,500.00
Museum & Archives		0.00		0.00	0.00
Cadet Support (Note 5)		2,000.00		8,500.00	-6,500.00
Veteran & Family Sp Legacy Stones	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,000.00	-22,000.00 0.00
110 Art Show	563.36		563.36		0.00
Regt History Vol V	0.00		3,400.00		-3,400.00
Total Heritage Expenses		563.36		3,963.36	-3,400.00
Balkans 35th Total Expenses (N		0.00		0.00	0.00
Total Charitable Expenses	-	3,114.58		59,963.36	-56,848.78
Other Expenses					
HGMF Investments Unrealized L		5,947.11		0.00	5,947.11
FTS Investments Unrealized Loss	_	0.00		0.00	0.00
Total Other Expenses	-	5,947.11		0.00	5,947.11
General & Administrative Expe					
Professional Fees		7,128.87		7,130.00	-1.13
Directors & Officers' Insurance		673.00 0.00		750.00 1,500.00	-77.00 -1,500.00
Office Expenses Web Hosting Services		0.00		500.00	-1,500.00
Fundraising Expense		324.18		750.00	-425.82
Interest & Bank Charges		50.00		150.00	-100.00
Trustee Travel (Note 7)		1,055.29		3,000.00	-1,944.71
Miscellaneous Expenses		0.00		0.00	0.00
Total General & Admin. Expen	-	9,231.34		13,780.00	-4,548.66
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	Actual	Budget	
	01/01/25 to	01/01/25 to	
	06/30/25	12/31/25	Difference
TOTAL EXPENSE	18,293.03	73,743.36	-55,450.33
NET INCOME	116,099.41	1,256.64	114,842.77

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## Note 1: HGMF Investments Revenue

Unrealized gain from HGMF investments for 2023 was -\$49,121. Past practice has been to budget 50% of the unrealized gain from two years prior. Proposed that up to \$30,000 from investments be used if required.

### Note 2: Non-Tax Receipted Donations

\$5,000 from PPCLI Assn for Student Bursaries

#### Note 3: Balkans 35th Total Donations

Breakdown of donations in separate Excel SS.

#### Note 4: Bursaries

\$20,000 for bursaries and \$500 for admin.

#### Note 5: Cadet Support

\$1,500 top Cadet Corps and \$250 for keeper plaque, engraving, etc. \$6,750 financial support for Cadet Corps outside of Alberta.

#### Note 6: Balkans 35th Total Expenses

Breakdown of expenses in separate Excel SS.

#### Note 7: Trustee Travel

Trustees will be reimbursed to a max of \$750 for expenses to attend the AGM. Receipts must be provided.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

## 30 June 2025

## Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund (HGMF)

A summary of the HGMF portfolio performance for 2025 to date is as follows:

2025 Opening Balance	\$1,130,361
First Quarter	\$1,124,414
Second Quarter	\$1,167,683

Through to the end of the second quarter of 2025 the value of the portfolio increased by \$37,322 or 3.3%.

Dave Pentney Finance Chair