

**AC119 Gunship Assoc Minutes from Teleconf Mtg Tues, 4/14/2015 Reporting M. Drzyzga 4/17/15** Participants:

Fletcher, Wohlgamuth, Drzyzga, LaRosa, W.Dunn, Sininger, Sprou, Mattison, Julian, Laessig, Lefarth, Diel, McCall, Dunn

1. Meeting Duration 67 min., it began promptly at 8 p.m. EDT, Prez. L.F. completed roll call.
2. Secretary's Report: The minutes from the March 10 teleconf' were accepted as distributed.
  - a. Report of status of 3 ext USB Hard Drives: MD procured 3 new ext Seagate 3TB hard drives, all are formatted for a PC (not MAC), & all now hold contents of JPs original drive, plus Secretary files in folders named TeleconfHistory, Life Cert forms, Newsletter/Flashes. These 3 were shipped to ES with request that Ev copy all the Assoc data he has gathered over the yrs to all 3, Once that is completed, the Bd must develop a procedure to have all the HDs routinely/periodically refreshed, so new items acquired by MD or JP or ES are synched to all 3 drives.
3. Treasurer's Report, DW: Bank Acct. \$25,857, Quartermaster Acct. \$4,080. So far, D.W. received 15 registrations for the reunion. PayPal is available now but is unused since the Web Site is not ready. We pay \$30 / month for no use? TWE may need the PayPal to test the "e-Commerce module" on the new Web site. If we cancel, we may lose (not be able to reuse) the current acct name. **Action:** DW will talk to PayPal about our cost/use status, take no action now, report back to the Board.
4. Quartermaster's report – DW called Gus just as Gus joined the teleconf. The New shirt form is functioning well based on seven orders. Gus will order more coins for the reunion – in the near future. M.D. asked Gus re: new (reunion) mugs. He has a video, but we need image files. Gus will resend email with image files.
5. Newsletter Future: We will gather info for a summer newsletter, *Firing Circle*. We can use a email Flash if necessary. I you want to distribute some news or have ideas for the next release, please send items for distribution to both Bill P. & M.D. The next NL should have also have space for Quartermaster items.
6. Web Site (IT Committee) report – R.J: Web page template is done, we need content to provide to TWE (they are waiting on us). The e-Commerce module is almost completed. The Event module is also moving forward. Gus: has provided all the image files needed for the e-Commerce part. Gus & W.L. will review all the updated data on the new module – but Gus needs the "training guide" & hands-on training. After that is completed: we should pay some to TWE, NOT by "auto pay", but D.W will send a check. The e-Commerce transactions should include PayPal & credit cards. Credit Cards (VISA, MC, & Discovery) were part of the original plan. IT Team will meet on Thur. 4/16. W.L will ask TWE for clarification on Credit Cards.

RE the Web Site: IT team will i.d. who is the owner of the content for the new pages, & gather new original content. TWE is a good implementer for the web design, but not the best at telling us what we need to do for them. For example, taking pict from our current site will provide poor quality, we will need original content. Taking "screen shots" of our current site will not be useful. For sure, this entire process is a learning experience. J.M. clearly explained that the structure of the existing site is different from the new site, so that most of what we "see" on the existing site, can but be harvested or extracted for use on the new site.
7. Facebook, J.M.: Over 300 members – valuable interactions continue.
8. Reunion XIV, St. Louis Report, ES: Advertising is completed. EV needs from DW # signed up for Tours, & meal count. DW will provide spreadsheet as usual with all that data. WL suggests that the new site's event module may be ready to take DW info, for the Board to see. LF asked about riverboat cruise? W.Dunn indicated that info will not be available until after Memorial Day. WD will send data info to MD & BP. Will cruise be available for our reunion, after Labor Day? Hmmm? WD will learn that in end of May. WD has a detailed tour agenda, for LF. Who will do Banquet Program for each seat? Ev will work on that – make a brochure on his PC. LF has the banquet agenda, & Ev will have them printed & bring them to St. Louis.
9. Ft Walton, Reunion XVII 2016 report: Gus – All Good – no change
10. Historian Report – P. Diehl: Asked Mac for info – Mac directed him to the Web site. Phil is having trouble with access Web site. LF will check on the Web site & call Phil with details.
11. Last Call around the circle-- LF needs above & beyond award nominations – currently has four names, & is looking for more. Once he has all these, we can vote by email. Gus to approach Tony Pakutinski to help Back-up his QM work, & as such should be nominated as Above & Beyond recipient.
  - a. B.L: Traveled to Las Cruces, NM, visit for ceremony – saw Ken Browns name on new Memorial Wall. B.L posted lot's of pics on the FB page. Also, ExO Lt.Col. Derek Barton will NOT take command of 73<sup>rd</sup> SOS, instead reassigned to Hulbert, to Command 4<sup>th</sup> SOS. Col. Dooley is retiring this Jun. New Commander is Jim Hood (SP??). Gus will provide Stinger coin to Col Barton, Gus can get details via email with Col. Hubie.
  - b. The mug images for use in the upcoming NL/Flash are "for sale at the reunion only". Gus will send the mugs to Wade Dunn, (not Jim Dunn). Gus needs Wades' mail address.
  - c. Cash is planning Jan. Cruise – if interested, talk to Cash or Jim Dunn. L.F can work on info to "friends of Col." for the 2017 WP reunion.
  - d. W.L asked L.F. to intervene & engage the resolution of images that family of our KIA want to post on the Memorial Wall. W.L was really "breaking up" with his report.
  - e. Gus has excess raffles tickets to bring to the reunion.

**NEXT Telecom will be Tue. May 12, 2015.** Details will be announced by the Sec. as usual. Mike D