

Reporting: M. Drzyzga 3/18/2016

Participants: L. Fletcher, M. Drzyzga (late), D. Wohlgamuth, C. McCall, W. Laessig, J. Mattison, R. Lefarth, P. Diel, and R. Julian

1. Meeting Duration 50 min., it began at 8:06 p.m. EST, Prez. L.F. was the “host” and the session recording activated, then roll call completed.

2. Secretary’s Report (M.D.):

- a. The Minutes from the Feb. 9, 2016, Telecom, were accepted as distributed.

3. Treasurer’s Report: D.W.

We have a Balance of \$29,874.

A payment of \$2,848 was made on the Memorial Bench Project, leaving a balance of \$2,025.

We still owe TWE \$2,179, plus two future \$600 ea. maintenance fees, for a total of \$5,404 total payments pending.

B. Petrie’s “DreamHost” web software was updated, and they pulled \$7.50 from our account.

We have received \$1,560.00 in donations for the raffle of a custom .45 ACP pistol.

Cash M. interjected that the cost to advertise the reunion in Military Times will drop from about \$500 to \$300 due to less lines being used. Cash was approved to move forward.

4. Quartermaster’s Report – G.S. Gus is relocating and has no internet access at this time. Cash needs Gus’ telephone number (cell 850-865-2634). WL reports for Gus: working with Lee for more accurate inventory. LF suggests we limit our cost to resupply at this time, due to high near future expenses.

5. Newsletter / FLASH / Firing Circle (M.D.): Positive feedback received on the most recent NL.

6. Web Site (IT Committee) report, W.L. –

Earl will work with Bill P. to rent / protect the most likely web site address “Names”, cost \$12 ea. per yr. for 4 names = \$48/yr. annual cost. DW motion, MD 2nd motion, and payments approved.

W.L> continues to complete more MCL work: (a) to correct database errors, and (b) how to list spouses with the same email address as the member, to avoid duplicate messages to spouses..

WL will be traveling for 2 weeks.

DW needs to be notified OF REGISTRATION DETAILS when registrations are process on-line and payments made via PayPal.

7. Media Manager – Ev. Not available, NO REPORT.

8. Reunion XVII, FWB update (Gus) WL reports for Gus – Gus suggest that we need not have a Guest Speaker for that purpose alone. Col. Burton would be good, but if it does not happen, that’s OK.

9. Reunion 2017, Dayton, OH: R.J.

- a. The Holiday Inn is making a draft contract, it may be ready for Board review next month. Of the two caterers for the banquet – the team is looking at the Wright-Pat Club. The team is working on procedure to limit reserved seating confusion. What is the \$25 reunion regi’ fee used

for? Since we must rent the Museum for ~\$2,200, the team desires to use some of the regi' fee to off-set that cost. Opt 2 is to add a few bucks to the meal cost (less likely choice). WL reports that Gus suggests a "table number list" with blank lines for names sign-up. Also, we can PRINT instructions BOLDLY to clearly tell attendees how to sign up, PLUS add a note in the welcome pack, PLUS make an announcement at the Sat. morning Association meeting. LF reports that the memorial bench is moving forward as planned.

DW – reports that we are not eligible for tax exempt, therefore the down payment cost was higher than originally stated for the Memorial Bench.

10. Last Orbit:

- a. Leroy Frahm requested that we offer volunteer awards. We do already recognize our volunteers. W.L: Leroy has brought this issue with three former Association Presidents. We do now have Special Coins and Above and Beyond awards.
- b. C.M. – Filled out his reunion regi on computer, but cannot figure how to pay. He will send a D.W. a check.
- c. J.M. reports we are over 350 members on FB, AND he posted an encouragement for membership in the Association. Question: where did Stinger 883 land after being damaged, in DaNang or Thailand? He will check the History Book.

NEXT BOARD Teleconf Meeting: Tues. April 12, 2016

Respectfully,

Mike D