

**AC-119 Gunship Association Minutes - from Teleconference Meeting, Tuesday, 4/12/2016**

**Reporting: M. Drzyzga 4/18/2016**

Participants: L Fletcher, R LaRosa, M Drzyzga, D Wohlgamuth, C McCall, J Dunn, W. Laessig, G. Sininger, P Diehl, E Sprou, & R Stevens

1. Mtg Duration 58 min, began at 8:05 pm EST, Prez LF was delayed connecting to the call, & roll-call was completed
2. Secretary's Report (M.D.): Minutes from the March 8, 2016, Telecom, were accepted as distributed.
3. Treasurer's Report: D.W.
  - a. Account balances (summary both) show a total of \$30,089.79.  
Deposits Counter Credits: \$159, Pay Pal Transfers in: \$158.16  
Expenditures for last month were: \$30 for Pay Pal; \$2,848.38 for Memorial Bench Down Payment; \$22.46 for Vast Conference Calling, \$7.50 for Dream Host.
  - b. The following was provided by Ass't Treasurer Ralph Lefarth via email:  
Account 8815: \$26,778.15  
Account 1106 3,311.64  
Total \$30,089.79, this total is up \$242.77 from this time last year.
4. Quartermaster's Report – GS No money will be used to replenish the inventory until June.
5. Newsletter *Firing Circle* - MD: We have sufficient information for a May newsletter.
  - a. DW to add MD to the group who receives updated notification of "Who's Attending".
  - b. Carol Hinton has worked on a tour for FWB, & asked Andrea for feedback on her early plans. Originally considered for Thurs, which is a big travel-in day for reunion attendees, she is now planning this trip for Fri. A bus trip to: Historic Pensacola Village, McGuire's Irish Pub, then the Veteran's Memorial Park. The trip cost \$27 pp. Lunch is not included at the Pub (you pay tour way – separate bills). The Assoc could arrange something special at the Memorial. Andrea & Carol will work-up a detailed flyer, which will go into the *Firing Circle*, after review by the Bd.
  - c. Carol also obtained info on additional local activities that can be posted in the Hootch, or added into attendees welcoming package, & also added to the *Firing Circle*. The goal is to offer activities that will entice reunion attendance. These include Fishing Boat Trip Charter, a Sat afternoon "Quilting Tour", Whale/Dolphin watching boat trip, & info regarding the NAS Museum in Pensacola. Carol will provide details to MD Gus cautioned that a Fri bus tour may have a large enough group requiring more than one bus, & those buses are difficult to obtain while football season is ongoing. Gus also indicated the 18<sup>th</sup> at Hulbert is willing & able to host a visit for us, but they are not committing to anything yet due to the uncertainty of future mission objectives. MD suggests that Gus steer them to a Sat afternoon event is we can be so fortunate. LF call for discussion, & Bd approval for the above plans. So Approved!
6. Website (IT Committee) Report, W.L. – Earl was away for personal family business, & is returning soon. **There is about 2/3 of the Web site content ready to go. Also, WL intends to have some output from MySQL ready as Report Formats in about a week, for the Board to review.** Further, there is a lot of great information being posted on the AC119 FB page, & we therefore need a solid means to capture that onto the new Web site for everyone to access. Currently the process is manual – you see something of value on FB & have to request the file from the participant who posted it.
7. Media Manager – Ev was commended for his ability to post pictures on FB & provide valuable info on FB threads
8. Reunion XVII, FWB update (Gus): MD indicated Carol Hinton, on a side discussion while talking with MD about the tour, suggested it would be helpful to have another area near the hootch for the spouses to gather, possibly to have their own (board) games &/or play cards. Gus indicated he had already spoken to Carol on this topic for FWB & has planned for this additional space. MD indicated Carol is then most likely asking the Board to consider this idea for future reunions also.
9. Reunion 2017, Dayton, OH: Roger Stevens reporting: MD "mis-folded" an email w/Word Doc attached from Ron Julian, that MD was supposed to forward to the Board on April 7. Sorry, MD goofed that. It is the HI Contract & was forwarded immediately during the Telecom. The document & associated message summarized the reunion hotel arrangements for the HI. The one question that the Dayton team asked regarded the number of room-nights. The HI staff indicated that they would make more rooms available to us at the same rate of \$120.xx if the rooms are available. LF suggested that the team has done a superb job already, & asked the Board Members for their approval. So Approved. RS also noted that the team will be considering a Sunday trip or tour, based on the success of the Sun. brunch/cruise in St. Louis last year.
10. Last Orbit:
  - a. Cash reported that all the "advertising" has been submitted to publishers. Additionally, LF provided Jim Dunn a summary document regarding our Association history for his use.
  - b. DW reported that we have 25 signed up for the reunion so far.

**NEXT BOARD Teleconf Meeting: Tues. May 10, 2016 Respectfully, Mike D (ver 2, 4/18/2016)**