Minutes of Teleconference call on Dec. 13th, 2016

Duration 1:32, Attendees: Larry F., Wayne L., Cash M., Ron J., Ralph L., Mike D., Everett S., Doug W., Rogers S., Terry S., and Bob L.

1. Secretary Report: minutes for the meetings of Oct 29th and Oct 30th of 2016 were approved by the Board.

2. Treasurer's report: Before the reunion acct. #8815 had $33,480, acct.#1106 had $4,380. After bills were paid acct. #8815 had $25,5175 and acct. #1106 had a little over $4.000, bringing our total a little over $29,000. This is approximately where we should be at this time of the year. Should we continue to ask for donations?: Yes. Dream Host costs were high due to renewing of our security certificate. The memorial bench was paid for from general funds and donations.

3. Discussed Gus's health. Orders for goods are being delayed due to Quartermaster's health issues and customers need to be notified of this. Lee Wolf is trying to backup the quartermaster. Lee should notify customers of delays

4. Membership: ES: going OK and Ev thinks we have 441 Life members.

5. Media Manager: MD-We have three external hard drives with three terabytes capacity, completely updated for video interview backups from JP Mac Issac. JP converted all interviews to MP4 files for ease-of-duplicating and distribution. Mission tapes: MD to check with Norm Evans about transferring the responsibility to convert the mission tapes to CD to ES. ES suggested we buy a converter . ES to check on cost of converting mission tapes to mp4 format by a commercial facility.

6. Website: WL-Hopes for a start date by the end of January. WL and MD interviewed Cindy Etherton as a potential Web Site Master to take over when WL launches the new one.

7. Newsletter : MD-The newsletter was seven pages. Next newsletter in February to get out information on website. CM: February is when advertising goes out.

8. Facebook: ES-We have 396 members, and five requests for membership that have to be vetted.

9. PD: Historian not available.

10. RS: Update of Dayton reunion-There will be three registration forms: one reunion registration, one for two Air Force Museum restoration tours and a third for the Sunday tours. We will also need additional security information for people going on the restoration tour. WL is to send information on past reunions' attendance to the reunion committee. There was general discussion on auctions, professional photos, and compensation expenses. Prior to the Board meeting, RJ emailed a detailed “discussion topics” and cost estimates spreadsheets.

11. Comments:

* WL-We have a standard add language that CM and JD use, and an Association letterhead format is available for review on the new web site in the “Board Only” area.
* MD: The hitch covers for the FWB auction that disappeared from the hootch seem to be unretrievable.
* Bob and Ev are working on a certificate of appreciation for George Jones at the Armament Museum.
* BL: Suggested a speaker from the Air Force Museum?
* BL: We need descriptions of tour in the next newsletter.
* TS: We need to put out info in the newsletter on auctions since they will be different from past auctions
* MD: Next board meeting will be a short meeting on January 10.