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AFCC 28 JAN 2019 BOD MEETING MINUTES

Prepared by: COL(MA) Dean Saluti, Secretary

ATTENDEES:

President Gus Niewenhous, MG(MA) Joseph Carter, COL William Wood, COL(MA) Dean Saluti, LTC Lawrence DiNardo, LTC Bryan Pillai, MAJ Anthony Ortega, MAJ Christopher Cunningham, CW3 Ed Stedman, John O'Brien, Paul Mendonca, Michelle Abrams

NOT PRESENT:

BG John Hammond, COL Thomas Finn, COL Richard Matlak, COL Brett Conaway, COL Robert Soldani, COL Michael Finer, COL(MA) John Silva, CPT Angela Cincis, CSM Bill Davidson, Richard DeVito, Dr. John Christoforo, Arthur Burt

MEETING REPORT:

1. Opening: The AFCC BOD Meeting, led by President Gus Niewenhous, opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at the AFCC HQ and Museum, Boston MA at 1830 hrs.
2. Secretary's Report: COL(MA) Dean Saluti presented the 24 SEP 2018 AFCC Meeting Minutes. The Minutes were reviewed and approved.
3. Treasurer's Report: CW3 Stedman reported that there is a balance of \$6,882.41 in the AFCC Operating Account. All invoices have been paid. There is \$11,761.55 in the Restricted Funds Accounts. The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.
4. Finance Committee Report: CW3 Stedman reported that the last balance was \$887,132.55 in the Craig Brown Funds, a balance of \$473,669.51 in the Investment Account, with total holdings of \$1,360,802.06. President Niewenhous asked the Committee to invite Gary Coon, from Finer Wealth Management, to speak at the next BOD meeting. The Finance Committee Report was approved unanimously.
5. Collections Committee Report: COL Wood and LTC Pillai gave a report. The BOD was apprised of the next Craig Brown auction scheduled for 23-24 MAR 2019. There may still be one more auction. COL Wood praised the Curator for her progress. LTC Pillai stated that the Collections Committee will meet in February to review Museum policies. LTC Pillai discussed the Collections budget's three-year rolling average, managed as an endowment. LTC Pillai praised John O'Brien for his work on the facility.
6. Museum Report: Curator Michelle Abrams gave the report:
 - Nearly all the artifacts on display in the Museum have been entered into PastPerfect.
 - Free Friday has been renewed for 2019 at \$2500.
 - The Curator has attended a recent professional association conference.
 - A recent tour was given to a Back Bay school group.
 - On Point Journal of Army History will be publishing an article written by our curator.
7. House Report: John O'Brien gave his report:
 - Per a recent insurance company inspection, emergency lights on the third floor should be moved, all emergency light batteries should be replaced, and some exit signs will need to be installed.
 - The current light fixtures on the third floor need expensive bulb replacement and will be replaced with track lighting.
 - Per the State elevator inspection, handrails must be installed in the elevator and door safety switches will need to be adjusted on each floor.
 - The exhaust vents on the three skylights on the roof need to be replaced.
 - Per a recent fire department inspection, a floor must be installed over one of the rooms on the fourth floor.
 - The hospitality suite on June Day should be eliminated.

8. Prudential Committee Report: No formal report was given.
9. Active Unit Report: LTC Pillai presented the Active Unit Report. Note the following:
- 19-21 OCT 2018. Conducted the Battalion's Annual Weapons Qual. Change of Command from LTC Cipro to LTC Pillai and the Semi-Annual Association meeting at Ft. Devens. Received a telephonic update from BG Richard Johnson (former 211th MP BN CDR), who was serving overseas as the Deputy Commanding General, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).
 - 5-7 NOV 2018. Activated as the National Guard Reaction Force (NGRF) providing law enforcement support to the Commonwealth during its national Vigilant Guard exercise and hosted a Military Police leadership symposium with distinguished guests - BG Brian Bisacre, United States Army Military Police School Commandant and his Command Sergeant Major, CSM James Breckenridge.
 - 18 NOV 2018. Attended the annual Veteran's Recognition event held at the Granite Links Golf Club. The Color Guard was provided by the 772nd MP Co.
 - 30 NOV 2018. Conducted the Yankee BDE leadership development day at the newly rededicated Michael J. Perkins Armory that included a visit to the First Corps Museum.
 - 1-2 DEC 2018. Conducted unit drills and unit holiday parties.
 - 5-6 JAN 2019. Conducted mandatory annual Periodic Health Assessments for medical readiness.
 - 17 JAN 2019. Collective attendance by members of the VAFCC, 26th Yankee Brigade and 211th MP BN for the funeral services of LTG (MA) Joseph P. Hegarty in Duxbury, MA. The VAFCC medallion was presented to Mrs. Hegarty by LTC Bryan Pillai.
 - 26 JAN 2019. Conducted the MP Branch Leader Board for future positions of all MP Officers in the State in the ranks of MAJ (less than four years' Time in Grade) and below.
 - 2-3 FEB 2019. Conducting on-going Mission Essential Task List Training at Home Station to continue to prepare our force for any future operations in any "Fight Tonight" scenarios.
10. Website Committee Report: There was no formal report. It was recommended that an updated events calendar should be on the website.
11. Membership Committee: MAJ Cunningham reported that there are applications in process. LTC Pillai acknowledged that MAJ Cunningham was the Distinguished Honor Graduate of his recently-completed in residency C&GS class.
12. Events Report: COL(MA) Saluti gave the Events Report. He reported on the 2018 Veterans Recognition Event and Christmas Party. He thanked the 211th MP BN for support at both events. There was discussion concerning scheduling conflicts with other military historical organizations.
13. Old Business/New Business:
- President Niewenhous introduced a 5.2% raise for John O'Brien. CW3 Stedman's motion, seconded by MG(MA) Carter, was unanimously approved.
 - President Niewenhous stated that, according to the Museum budgeting formula, there will be an increase in the salary of the Curator.
 - President Niewenhous stated that he has appointed the Nominating Committee.
 - There was discussion concerning inclusion of wives of recently deceased, long-term Association members at the annual Veterans Recognition Event.
 - LTC Pillai reminded the BOD of the importance of an Association presence at the wakes and funerals of Association members.

The meeting was adjourned at 2100 hrs. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 28 JAN 2019.