



9 JUN 2016

## **AFCC 3 MAY 2016 BOD MEETING MINUTES**

Prepared by: COL(MA) Dean Saluti, Secretary

### **ATTENDEES:**

LTC Lawrence DiNardo (President), MG(MA) Robert Davenport, BG(MA) Peter Blankenship, COL Thomas Finn, COL Richard Matlak, COL William Wood, COL Robert Soldani, COL Arthur O'Malley, COL(MA) Dean Saluti, COL(MA) John Silva, COL(MA) Len Wolfe, LTC Brett Conaway, MAJ Bryan Pillai, 1LT Angela Cincis, CSM William Davidson, CW3 Edwin Stedman, Gus Niewenhous, Richard DeVito, Sr., John Cunningham, Dr. John Christoforo

### **NOT PRESENT:**

MG(MA) Joseph Carter, BG John Hammond, COL Joseph Sullivan, COL Michael Finer, LTC James Blake, MAJ Christopher Cunningham, Paul Mendonca, John O'Brien, Arthur Burt

### **MEETING REPORT:**

1. Opening: The AFCC Board Meeting opened at the AFCC HQ and Museum, Boston, MA at 1830 hrs with the Pledge of Allegiance led by AFCC President LTC Lawrence DiNardo.
2. Secretary's Report: COL(MA) Saluti presented the 8 MAR 2016 AFCC BOD Meeting Minutes. The Minutes were reviewed and approved.
3. Treasurer's Report:

CW3 Stedman reported that there is a balance of approximately \$24.7K in the AFCC Operating Account. All bills have been paid. There is approximately \$21.8K in the Restricted Funds Accounts. CW3 Stedman also presented a monthly income and expense analysis that included the rental of the two (2) parking spaces and the Society of Colonial Wars 3rd floor front room. Note that \$20K was transferred from the Investment Account and \$5.3K is still left to expend. Also, \$12K remains on the Ice House Loan and \$8K remains on the payback for the Windows Project. A Dues Status Report was presented by the Treasurer. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

4. Finance Committee: COL Soldani gave the Finance Committee Report. The APR 2016 balance in the Investment Account is approximately \$476K. This balance represents an increase of \$35K from the last Finance Committee Report.
5. Membership: MAJ Cunningham was not present, and there was no formal report. However, the Membership Committee acknowledged the processing of author Anthony Sammarco's application and MG (ret.) Steven Wickstrom's application. The AFCC BOD unanimously voted to accept these two applicants into the membership. The President directed the Secretary to send an Acceptance Letter and Membership Certificate to these two new members.
6. Website: 1LT Cincis gave the Website Report. Some technical issues are now being addressed.
7. Collections:

COL Wood reported on Collection Committee activities. LTC Conaway and MAJ Pillai are representing the AFCC with Craig Brown's widow, coordinating the transfer of Craig's collection to the Museum. This collection is vast – approximately 250+ items, such as rifles, handguns, and uniforms. It was noted that there will be a memorial service for Craig Brown in October. Details will follow. The Committee requested that the AFCC pay for membership in several museum associations, which the AFCC BOD unanimously approved. The Committee met in April. It was noted that AFCC Museum holdings catalogues have been located.

8. House Report:

John O'Brien was not present for the House Report. LTC Conaway reported on the repair of the front steps and gas lines. Gus Niewenhous reported on the progress on insurance coverage analyses.

9. Museum Report:

COL(MA) Saluti presented the Museum Report. He reported that the replacement for the in-house AFCC BOD and member Museum Training Program instructor will be Valerie Kincaid from Museum & Collector Resource. Valerie comes highly recommended by the Harvard University Museum Studies Program. She has worked for the Currier Gallery of Art, the Antiquarian and Landmarks Society, the Smithsonian in Washington, DC, and was the Curator of the US Coast Guard Museum. COL(MA) Saluti will work with her on the training curriculum. COL Matlak will work with her for grant funding.

10. Active Unit Report:

MAJ Pillai presented the Active Unit Report:

- The Active Unit is preparing for its 2016 4<sup>th</sup> of July responsibilities.
- The IACP visited the Museum and was given a tour and briefing.
- COL(MA) Silva was thanked for a job well done with the Giggles event.
- Active Unit AT will be at Fort Dix from 4-17 JUN.
- The Active Unit's 275<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is in OCT, and plans for a celebration will be forthcoming.
- The filming of the "Patriots Day" movie is being supported by the Active Unit.

11. Prudential Committee: There was no formal report.

12. Events Committee Report:

COL(MA) Saluti reminded the AFCC BOD of the upcoming Memorial Day and June Day events. COL(MA) John Silva gave a recap of the Giggles Comedy fundraiser. A profit of \$3K is anticipated.

13. President's Report:

LTC DiNardo gave his President's Report. He congratulated AFCC BOD members Dick DeVito and COL Finer for their recent award of the Sons of Italy Roman Legionnaire sword. He thanked COL(MA) Silva for his hard work on the Giggles fundraiser, and he stressed the importance of supporting this event. He reminded the AFCC BOD of the upcoming Memorial Day and June Day activities and asked for their support. He tasked COL Finn with updating the AFCC Annual Calendar, as appropriate.

14. Old Business/New Business:

1LT Cincis thanked the AFCC BOD for the \$2K donation from the Unit Morale Fund for the Active Unit.

Dick DeVito thanked the AFCC BOD for allowing his grandson, Matthew DeVito, to work on a project with COL Wood to inventory and catalogue the artifacts on loan to Smith & Wollensky. Dick DeVito announced that this project enabled Matthew to receive the highest Boy Scout award, the Eagle Scout Award.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 14 JUN 2016. The meeting was adjourned at 2000 hrs.