



12 JUN 2017

## **AFCC 9 MAY 2017 BOD MEETING MINUTES**

Prepared by: COL(MA) Dean Saluti, Secretary

### **ATTENDEES:**

LTC Lawrence DiNardo (President), BG John Hammond, COL Brett Conaway, COL Robert Soldani, COL Arthur O'Malley, COL(MA) Dean Saluti, COL(MA) John Silva, MAJ Bryan Pillai, MAJ Anthony Ortega, CW3 Edwin Stedman, CSM William Davidson, John O'Brien, Gus Niewenhous, Richard DeVito, Dr. John Christoforo. There was a quorum.

### **NOT PRESENT:**

MG(MA) Joseph Carter, COL William Wood, COL Thomas Finn, COL Richard Matlak, COL Joseph Sullivan, COL Michael Finer, LTC Richard Cipro, MAJ Christopher Cunningham, 1LT Angela Cincis, Paul Mendonca, Arthur Burt.

### **MEETING REPORT:**

1. Opening: The 9 MAY 2017 AFCC Board Meeting opened at the AFCC HQ and Museum, Boston, MA at 1830hrs with the Pledge of Allegiance led by AFCC President LTC Lawrence DiNardo.
2. Secretary's Report: COL(MA) Saluti presented the 7 FEB 2017 AFCC BOD Meeting Minutes. The Minutes were reviewed and approved.
3. Treasurer's Report: CW3 Stedman reported that there is a balance of approximately \$18.7K in the AFCC Operating Account. All bills have been paid. There is approximately \$17.8K in the Restricted Funds Accounts. He presented a monthly income and expense analysis that included the rental of the two parking spaces and the Society of Colonial Wars 3rd floor front room. The Ice House Loan has been paid in full. The Windows Project has been paid in full. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved. CW3 Stedman read a letter of thanks from the family of MG(MA) Davenport.
4. Finance Committee: COL Soldani was present and provided a Finance Committee Report. The balance in the Investment Account is approximately \$531.2K, up \$4K since APR 2017. The balance in the Craig Brown Account is approximately \$737.7K. There is approximately a total of \$1,268.9M in both investment accounts. COL Finer will continue to assist in structuring goals for the Craig Brown Account.
5. Membership: MAJ Cunningham was not present, and Dick DeVito gave an informal update. He discussed recruiting techniques, such as emailing to the existing members requesting new member leads.
6. Website: 1LT Cincis was not present. She was TDY.
7. Collections: MAJ Pillai reported that the Collections Committee met at the Lexington Armory on 13 APR 2017. He stated that the third auction for the Craig Brown collection will take place on 3 JUN 2017. It was reported that additional 211<sup>th</sup> Coastal Artillery unit records have been found, and the National Guard is updating AFCC Active Unit history. Items at Smith & Wollensky that are not on display will be retrieved by COL Wood and COL(MA) Silva. It was reported that dignitaries from the Army Historical Society met with the TAG, COL Conaway, and MAJ Pillai. They are seeking a collaborative effort from Boston museums for assistance in creating an exhibit on the founding of the Army National Guard. Lastly, advertisements have been posted for the Museum Curator position, and applications are being received.
8. House Report: John O'Brien gave the House Report and stated that there are no new problems at this time. However, he is preparing an updated list of required building maintenance. He reminded the AFCC BOD that the June Day hospitality room at the Fairmont Copley Plaza has been reserved.

9. Museum Report: COL(MA) Saluti reported that the Museum Training Program will be completed at the end of MAY 2017. He praised the quality of the training and the professionalism of the trainers. Several AFCC BOD members who have been attending the training echoed his remarks and the outstanding value of the training.
10. Active Unit Report: MAJ Ortega gave the Active Unit report:
- The Active Unit fielded 330 MPs in support of the Boston Marathon.
  - The Active Unit will be supporting June Day with a Color Guard.
  - The 772 will be deployed for a GITMO mission on 21 MAY 2017.
  - Unit AT will take place in MAY and JUN 2017 at Fort Devens and Camp Edwards.
  - There will be an AFCC VIP Day on 10 JUN 2017 during AT at Camp Edwards.
  - The Active Unit is preparing for support of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Boston celebration.
11. Prudential Committee: COL(MA) Silva stated that there was no formal report at this time, but was pleased with the final payoff of the Windows project by the “Giggles” event profit.
12. Events Committee Report: COL(MA) Saluti reported on events. He reminded the AFCC BOD of the 29 MAY 2017 Memorial Day family activities at Mount Auburn Cemetery, with a collation at Conley’s Pub & Grill in Watertown. He emphasized the importance of marching on 5 JUN 2017, June Day, and the evening formal banquet at the Copley Plaza Hotel.
13. President’s Report: LTC DiNardo gave his President’s Report:
- President DiNardo complimented the organization for the successful completion of the Museum Training Program and the importance of having Directors and members who understand the correct processes and procedures to identify, document, and catalog the artifacts in our Museum.
  - He encouraged all available and able-bodied AFCC members to participate in the upcoming June Day Parade and Dinner at the Copley Plaza Hotel on 5 JUN 2017
  - He also encouraged interested AFCC members to participate in the Active Unit’s VIP Day at Camp Edwards on 10 JUN 2017.
  - He stated that the 2017 AFCC BOD Monthly Meeting schedule will be changed to accommodate conflicts for the Active Unit members of the AFCC BOD.
  - The President stated that the AFCC needs a program to encourage bequests and estate planning.
  - The President tasked the Collections Committee to prepare an annual budget that would include a part-time Curator.
  - The President tasked the Treasurer to prepare a projected annual budget.
14. Old Business/New Business: COL Matlak is preparing the newsletter, and has requested pictures and articles. CW3 Stedman represented the AFCC at the Boston University ROTC Awards Banquet. Several Active Unit officers will be training in Germany this year, and several German officers will participate in Active Unit training.

The meeting was adjourned at 2000hrs. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 19 JUN 2017.