



7 SEP 2017

AFCC 19 JUN 2017 BOD MEETING MINUTES

Prepared by: COL(MA) Dean Saluti, Secretary

ATTENDEES:

LTC Lawrence DiNardo (President), COL Brett Conaway, COL William Wood, COL Thomas Finn, COL Arthur O'Malley, COL(MA) Dean Saluti, LTC Richard Cipro, MAJ Bryan Pillai, MAJ Christopher Cunningham, CPT Angela Cincis, CW3 Edwin Stedman, CSM William Davidson, John O'Brien, Gus Niewenhous, Richard DeVito, Sr. There was a quorum.

NOT PRESENT:

MG(MA) Joseph Carter, BG John Hammond, COL Robert Soldani, COL Richard Matlak, COL Joseph Sullivan, COL Michael Finer, COL(MA) John Silva, MAJ Anthony Ortega, Paul Mendonca, Arthur Burt, Dr. John Christoforo.

MEETING REPORT:

1. Opening: The 19 JUN 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 9 MAY 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 \$15.7K 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 Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.
4. Finance Committee: COL(MA) Saluti presented the Finance Committee Report for COL Soldani. The balance in the Investment Account is approximately \$537.1K, up \$5.9K since MAY 2017. The balance in the Craig Brown Account is approximately \$747.6K. There is a total of approximately \$1.284M in both investment accounts. COL Finer will continue to assist with the Craig Brown Account.
5. Membership: MAJ Cunningham gave a membership update. He discussed the need to contact members delinquent with their dues payments. He also discussed a membership drive. Richard DeVito, Sr. presented membership drive techniques to be implemented.
6. Website: CPT Cincis stated that the website was hacked and that users would be unable to get onto the site. She also stated that the site will be changed for better security.
7. Collections: MAJ Pillai reported on the Collections Committee's progress in selecting a new part-time Curator. The Committee interviewed 5 applicants and narrowed down the applicant pool to 2 finalists. The 2 finalists toured the Museum and had second interviews. The Curator has been selected, and is expected to start, on the job, in August. Gus Niewenhous pointed out that 4% of the Craig Brown investment fund (approximately \$32K) will be allocated for the annual salary of the part-time Curator. Gus also reminded the BOD that approximately \$53K is projected from the next (and last) auction of the remaining Craig Brown holdings.
8. House Report: John O'Brien gave the House Report and stated that there are no new problems at this time. The AC unit has been repaired at a cost of \$4,100.
9. Museum Report: COL(MA) Saluti stated that the graduates of the AFCC Museum Training Program will await the onboarding of the new part-time Curator.

10. Active Unit Report: LTC Cipro gave the Active Unit report:

- The Active Unit supported the Home Base Program's Run/Walk event with \$850 from the AFCC Active Unit Morale Fund.
- The Active Unit supported June Day with a Color Guard for the parade and attended the evening banquet with visiting German Army officers.
- The 772 deployed for a GITMO mission.
- Unit AT took place at Fort Drum and Camp Edwards. There was an AFCC VIP Day at the Unit AT at Camp Edwards.
- The Active Unit is preparing for support of the 4th of July Boston celebration.
- There will be a Yankee Division 100th Anniversary celebration in SEP. The AFCC BOD agreed to fill a table at this event.

11. Prudential Committee: COL(MA) Silva was not present and there was no Prudential Report.

12. Events Committee Report: COL(MA) Saluti reported on events. He thanked the Active Unit for the Memorial Day Color Guard. He described the post-ceremony Conley's Pub activities that were highlighted by the recognition of the 45-year anniversary of CW3 Stedman's retirement from the military. COL(MA) Saluti described the AFCC's participation on June Day as outstanding. He reminded the BOD of the upcoming Golf Tournament. CPT Cincis volunteered to create online links for PayPal payments for Golf Tournament participants and sponsors.

13. President's Report: LTC DiNardo gave his President's Report:

- President DiNardo reminded the BOD of how worthwhile the AFCC Museum Training Program was for the organization.
- He complimented the Active Unit for excellent Color Guards on Memorial Day and June Day. He described CW3 Stedman's "retirement anniversary cake" with the Chief's military ID enlarged on the frosting on the top of the cake. The President also reported that there were 16 AFCC marchers in the June Day parade and 19 dinner attendees.
- He stated that 9 AFCC members participated in the Active Unit's VIP Day at Camp Edwards. He was impressed with the new equipment and lane training.
- The President informed the BOD that COL Matlak has submitted another grant proposal, and that this grant would fund climate control for the Museum.
- The President thanked the Collections Committee for a job well done with an excellent process and final selection of a new part-time Curator.
- The President is excited about the Yankee Division's 100th Anniversary event.

14. Old Business/New Business: Gus Niewenhaus is working on the renewal of the Museum's insurance policy. MAJ Cunningham requested that more golf shirts be ordered. A 26 MP sign was found and presented to the Active Unit. COL Finn reminded the BOD that there are 2 vacancies on the Prudential Committee that COL(MA) Silva will need to fill.

The meeting was adjourned at 2000 hrs. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 11 SEP 2017.