



AFCC 11 SEP 2017 BOD MEETING MINUTES

26 NOV 2017

Prepared by: COL(MA) Dean Saluti, Secretary

ATTENDEES:

LTC Lawrence DiNardo (President), MG(MA) Joseph Carter, COL William Wood, COL Thomas Finn, COL Richard Matlak, COL(MA) Dean Saluti, COL(MA) John Silva, MAJ Anthony Ortega, MAJ Bryan Pillai, MAJ Christopher Cunningham, CW3 Edwin Stedman, John O'Brien, Richard DeVito, Sr., Paul Mendonca, Arthur Burt, Dr. John Christoforo, Michelle Abrams. There was a quorum.

NOT PRESENT:

BG John Hammond, COL Brett Conaway, COL Robert Soldani, COL Arthur O'Malley, COL Joseph Sullivan, COL Michael Finer, LTC Richard Cipro, CPT Angela Cincis, CSM William Davidson, Gus Niewenhous

MEETING REPORT:

1. Opening: The 11 SEP 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 19 JUN 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 \$6,840 in the AFCC Operating Account. All bills have been paid. There is approximately \$11,930 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: Richard DeVito, Sr. presented the Finance Committee Report for COL Soldani. The balance in the Investment Account is approximately \$547.5K. The balance in the Craig Brown Account is approximately \$811.4K. There is a total of approximately \$1,358,900 in both investment accounts. COL Finer will continue to serve as the AFCC investment advisor.
5. Membership: MAJ Cunningham gave a membership update. There are eight new members, including Gary Coon. Richard DeVito, Sr. updated the BOD on the membership drive. MG(MA) Carter's motion to waive dues for new AFCC members who have recently completed the OCS Program and are entering the Active Unit as 2LTs was unanimously approved.
6. Website: COL Matlak is now heading the Website Committee. He stated that the AFCC newsletters will now be online on the website. He presented a progress report on the newsletter and website.
7. Collections & Museum: COL Wood and MAJ Pillai gave the Collection Report. The new Museum Curator, Michelle Abrams, was introduced. She was formerly employed by the U.S. Army Historical Foundation and the National Guard Museum. She is experienced in PastPerfect museum software. Her start date was 1 SEP 2017. MAJ Pillai gave a report on the recent visit to our Museum by the Chief of Military History of the U.S. Army. The tour resulted in the potential opportunity for our Museum to rotate First Corps artifacts "on loan" to the U.S. Army Museum in Washington, D.C.
8. House Report: John O'Brien gave the House Report. The first-floor meeting room floor has been beautifully refinished. The first-floor front room floor will be done next year. The central air conditioning and heating systems have been serviced. The elevator inspection will be done this month. The outside brick pointing needs to be addressed.

9. Active Unit Report: MAJ Ortega gave the Active Unit report and also submitted this written synopsis:

- 3 to 5 JUL 2017: 211th Military Police Battalion conducted a successful security operations mission for the Annual Boston Pops 4th of July Esplanade event - consisting of Military Police, Security Forces and Civil Support Team personnel, alongside our civilian Law Enforcement counterparts.

- 15 to 29 AUG 2017: A Platoon from the 747th Military Police Company conducted an Alternate Annual Training in Gagetown, Canada, training in a different type environment and setting the conditions to further our pre-established relationship with the Canadian Forces Military Police (CFMP) as unified action partners.

- 30 AUG 2017: 211th Military Police Battalion Full Time Unit Support Personnel conducted an annual weapons qualification on the M4 & M9 at Ft. Devens to meet our annual requirement and be readily available to assist the Battalion for its upcoming weapons qualification during the October drill.

- 09 SEP 2017: 211th Military Police Battalion hosted its annual Military Police Officer Professional Development at the museum. There were over 40 Military Police commissioned officers in attendance who received briefings on evaluations, unit training management, state of the MP Corps and an introductory historical significance briefing/tour from our keynote speaker and senior MP Mentor, COL Brett Conaway (incoming BDE Commander), along with MAJ Pillai's insights.

-First Corps Website: CPT Cincis posted pictures and a recap from both the weapons qualification at Ft. Devens and the Officer Professional Development, to include the Annual VAFCC Golf Tournament.

- Members of the 211th MP Battalion are excited to participate in the upcoming VAFCC Annual Golf tournament in Boxford, MA.

- 30 SEP 2017 at 1100 hours: SPC Matthew Pollini (who died while serving his country for the 772nd MP Co in Al Kut, Iraq on January 22, 2009) 5K Ruck or Run in Dracut, MA. Donations will go to the SPC Pollini Memorial Fund.

- 30 SEP 2017 at 1700 hours: The 100th Anniversary Centennial 26th Yankee Division (YD) Ball was held at Gillette Stadium to celebrate the historic significance and lineage of the YD and its subordinate units. We currently have seven full tables purchased for attendance and would like to thank the VAFCC for its continued generous contributions.

- 20 OCT 2017: The 26th YD Centennial WWI Conference was held at the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company's 4th Floor Faneuil Hall HQ. There were presentations from BG (MA) Kondratiuk, a Maine National Guard Historian, and a National Geographic Photographer.

10. Prudential Committee: COL(MA) Silva gave an informal presentation.

11. Events Committee Report: COL(MA) Saluti reported on events. A DVD was presented to CW3 Stedman from the BU ROTC event. A Memorial Mass for BG(MA) Hurley was announced. COL Wood, Arthur Burt, and CW3 Stedman gave an update on registrations for the upcoming Golf Tournament.

12. President's Report: LTC DiNardo gave his President's Report. He encouraged the AFCC BOD to attend the 26 YD upcoming events. He mentioned both the annual Golf Tournament, the Semi-Annual Meeting to be held on 22 OCT, and the 2017 Greatest Generation event.

13. Old Business/New Business: COL Matlak reminded the BOD of the Preservation Assistance Grant proposal for climate control that was submitted. MAJ Cunningham announced that more golf shirts at a selling price of \$40 have arrived. The legal name (VAFCC) needs to be approved at the Annual Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2000 hrs. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 27 NOV 2017.