November

WWIIHRS BOD Meeting November 17, 2006

Attending the meeting were Dave Halseth, Dave Jameson, Greg Lee, Jonathan Stevens, Brian Ogstad, Brian Jones, Elliot James, Carl Bogar, and Dave Fornell.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05.

September Minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Lancers

The actions of the 12th Podolian Lancers at the National Battle were discussed. The jeep rollover was an accident that may have been partly due to the lack of experience of the operator. Also mentioned was the questionable decision of the 5th Armored Div halftrack of the route it took, which the jeep followed. However DF said the berm driving was the main issue. EJ asked Rob Lienwebber to comment. RL said he was not an eyewitness of the event. He also complained there was no apology from the Lancers and they tried to minimize the risk to others by their actions by saying there were no signs posted. DF explained the construction of berm, which may have been more than a 45 degree angle. GL expressed the need for vehicle safety to be stressed. DF explained the charter approval for the Lancers came about only after some HRS members vouched for the Lancers and they promised to be safe. Others mentioned a number of problems with the unit during the past year. Carl Bogar mentioned that at the Camden event the Lancers behaved well. DF mentioned there were two options. Either kick them out of the society or impose sanctions on them. BJ proposed sanctions against the individuals responsible for the berm driving rather than the entire unit. Also suggested was to ban vehicles for the Lancers for 1-2 years. DF mentioned if they violated the sanctions they would be ejected from the society. A number of BOD members said they were favoring expulsion of the Lancers. BJ mentioned they do have an excellent impression. EJ suggested that the final vote be postponed until the next meeting. GL motioned to table the discussion until RL and Greg Dabrowski could speak. DF said the final decision should be sent out in a certified letter to Lancers.

Marilyn Fornell Complaint

DF asked to table this discussion until the next meeting as it was a conflict of interest for him to vote on this issue.

By-Law Committee

GL said 5 bylaws were ready to vote on and a few may be ready.

HRS Audit

EJ said there were some questions from the auditors and one month had already been completed. The total cost for the audit would be $3000. BJ mentioned that it was a shame that a very small minority of HRS members caused so much money to be spent on the audit.
Treasurer’s Report

Currently there was $2165 in checking and $14130 in savings. A $900 bill for directors and officers insurance has been paid. DF will transfer the accounts to DJ.

Secretary’s Report

JS reported 890 members. DF mentioned a good idea was to send reminder notices to members that had not renewed by June.

Unit Charters

29th Div MP charter looked good according to GL. DF mentioned some minor issues. EJ mentioned a 2nd Armored group is interested in membership. DF mentioned an Arkansas German unit needed to be looked at. GL asked about a one year probation for new units.

A motion was made to vote on the 29th MP charter. The 29th Div MPs was unanimously adopted. The one year probation status was also unanimously approved. A question was asked about the 11th Panzer. No further information was available. DF mentioned there were some problems in their charter that needed improvement. DF said the 5th Armored needed some changes to their charter. At this point Erich Junkers the CO had not responded.

CB asked about the 3 Commando charter. DF said they needed to remove the M1 Garand from their TOE. CB wanted to vote 3 Commando down on the M1 Garand. BJ said to approve the charter with the M1 removed or only to be used in an Operation Torch scenario. A vote was called with four for approving the charter with the stipulation the M1 was removed and two voted against the charter. The motion passed.

Old Business

None reported.

Handover Of the BOD to New Members

A motion was made to handover the BOD to the newly elected members before the term began. The motion was unanimously approved. EJ made a motion to thank the old BOD members for their service. JS seconded the motion.

New Business

A new registered agent needs to be chosen as Ken Thompson asked to be removed from the position. DF said no replacement had been found and asked if JS may be interested. JS responded only as a last resort.
DF mentioned he would be the registered agent if no one else could be found. Also mentioned was the incorrect name of the organization on the official documents. This would be corrected.

Other Business

A question from an unidentified member was asked about Tim Scherer’s status as CO. EJ said this would be deferred until the next meeting. A question was asked about a digital recorder for the secretary. DJ mentioned an alternative. This was deferred until the next meeting. BO said a new Webmaster would be needed, as he was now a BOD member. JS mentioned a volunteer. BO said he would continue until a replacement was found. This would be discussed at the next meeting. The Edge was nearly ready except for an article from EJ. All the BOD would see the new issue before publishing. DJ said a PO box was set up for the HRS and bank accounts were ready. The member application for 2007 was complete.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm.