

World War Two HRS Board Meeting
Thursday, 24 January 2008 7:00 p.m.

In attendance were Dave Jameson, Jonathan Stevens, Carl Bogar, Elliott James, Todd Machin, Rick Clark, and Tim Scherrer.

The 704th Tank Destroyer Batt and the Detroit Arsenal Museum were discussed in regards to the HRS insurance. The HRS **general liability insurance policy does not insure any member of the HRS organization.** It only insures against an accidental act, injury or property damage that may arise from an incident. The HRS insurance policy does not insure any entity, such as a business or museum, whether for profit or not-for-profit. The HRS insurance policy does not insure a museum and or its vehicles, whether licensed for driving on public roads or not. The HRS insurance policy does not insure a member's vehicle or equipment, of any type either. Each vehicle or equipment owner must insure their own vehicle or equipment.

The only way that this potential charter should be even considered for application of a new chartered unit of the HRS, is as individuals forming another unit. If they use the museum vehicles, at an HRS function, they can not be covered by our policy. To further protect the HRS, we should at the very least have a "hold harmless" agreement between the HRS and the museum and an indemnification agreement by the museums' insurance commercial policy and general liability policy, including an endorsement for vehicles driven by others and vehicles owned by others. Finally, the museums' policy would be primary and the only policy available. If this potential new unit drives the museums' vehicles, they **CAN NOT** do it under the HRS or at an HRS event. We as the HRS can not stop them from doing this at other organizations events though or on their own.

If the HRS insurance policy were to be used for an event involving a museum vehicles or any other persons' borrowed vehicles, even in the course of and HRS event, our policy could be in jeopardy as these types of associations are not allowed. If the museum was having an air show along with a public battle and with the museum vehicles, our carrier would deny any claim, I suspect; as we did not inform them that they were insuring aircraft and vehicles.

I did speak with a member of this potential unit and informed them of our insurance limitations and requirements. As of today, 2-28-2008, I have heard back from them or received any mailings from them.

Dave Jameson reported the **HRS insurance** needed to be renewed in February. The policy will be for 100 events and 900 members. The cost will be \$4500. A vote was taken on renewing the insurance and paying the premium. The vote was unanimous to pay the premium.

The **Treasurer reported** \$5370.90 in checking and \$12,165 in savings for a total of \$17,536.13. Income of \$14 interest was included. December bills were \$1724 to Bayside printing for the last edition of the Edge.

The Secretary reported the **Illinois state filing for non-profit organizations** was done. The cost was \$5.

The President reported that a **IRS Form 990** will need to be filed for 2007 which he will prepare.

Rick Clark, the CO of the **2nd SS Das Reich from Ohio**, asked about the charter for his unit. Since the Vice President was not in attendance the question will be answered via email. *(Note: On Friday Jan. 25 all BOD members voted to accept the unit's charter)*

The current **by-law proposal** was briefly mentioned and will be published in the next edition of the Edge.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Submitted by Secretary Jonathan Stevens