



# WWII HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT SOCIETY Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes  
April 19, 2012

## ROLL CALL:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>
President:	David Jameson	YES
Vice President:	Jonathan Stevens	YES
Treasurer:	Charles Gallagher	NO
Secretary:	Ronald J Kapustka	YES
Allied Representative:	Bill Sheets	YES
Commonwealth Rep:	Bryce Seyko	YES
Axis Representative:	Rich Russo	YES
Newsletter Editors:	Mike Kaczorowski	YES
	Jeff Skender	NO

## Unit CO's and Members Attending:

Alan Jones	Scott Bacon
Carlos Ramirez	Scott Atchinson
Rey Ramirez	Mike Kaczorowski
Dan Davidson	
Jeff Blazer	
Frank DeBartolo	
Bill Ricci	
Tim Scherer	
Ed Godi	
Vito Abbinante	
Yuri Soroka	
Yarow Howski	
Doug Loge	
Kyle	
Phil Lauricella	

The minutes for March, 2012 were read and approved. A Motion to approve was made by Bill Sheets and seconded by Ron Kapustka. A vote was taken and the Minutes were approved.

### **Old Business:**

Regional Event Requested Funds: Three new requests, Lowell; Dakota City, MN; Colorado Event and Lansing Event. Requests were sent out by Jonathan to the Board. This was to be a request for REGIONAL events. The intent was to have four (4) Regional Events, not necessarily to fund any and all events. A lengthy discussion was held with regard to the funding of events. The Board will further discuss this issue and come up with guidelines for the future funding of events. The issue will also be put to the Unit Commanders for input.

Rockford reimbursement – *not completed*. Charlie needs to be contacted with regard to this issue.

Scholarship Funds: payout – *not completed*. Charlie needs to be contacted with regard to this issue.

Streamlining Membership Process: Tabled until June/July.

PAHA: Nothing new at this time.

### **New Business**

#### **Unit Charters**

##### **New charters:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Inf Div, 15<sup>th</sup> Rgt: Their Charter is still in the S&A Committee. Jonathan has received further information from the Unit which has to be forwarded to the Committee to review. Tabled for now.

B/1/5 USMC: Frank DeBartolo, reported that their Charter was changed to A, rather than B. This Unit passed the S&A Committee. Frank discussed their Unit and the reasons they chose this Unit, including the fact that his grandfather was in this Unit. They will also be adding an MP section to their Charter in the future in order to assist the HRS with security duties. The Charter was voted on and approved. The Charter was approved by the Board and they were accepted as a Probationary Unit in the HRS.

40<sup>th</sup> Guards Rifle Division: Yarow Howski, discussed his Unit and the reasons they are proceeding with this Charter. Their membership are located in the Northern Illinois area and are portraying the standard Infantry unit on the Eastern Front and intend to branch out to the cultural aspects of the unit, such as singing and dancing. Jonathan asked that they define their Charter down to a company level as the HRS does not charter

whole divisions. The Charter is still in S&A. This Unit is still in the old TSG and are looking to make the move to the HRS. Questions were submitted to Yarow. Tabled.

H Co., 506<sup>th</sup> PIR, 101<sup>st</sup> ABN: Dan Davidson, from Colorado Springs, explained his Unit, which is known as "The Forty Thieves". The S&A Committee is waiting on their full charter application. The Unit has 35 members and broke away from a parent organization in Colorado. Doug Loge asked about their rank structure as they are relying on "misdrops" for Officer and NCO heavy units in the field. The Charter is tabled as this is in S&A.

10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division: The Unit has 25-30 members. They are part of the 10th Mountain organization out of Colorado and the LHRA. They have been in existence for 7 years. D Company of the 87th would be their company size designation. Phil Lauricella also added some information about the Unit and explained the women involved, as WAC's, and who would be tasked with clerical duties, and would not be in the field. The Charter is in S&A and will be tabled.

SS Gebirgjaeger Rgt. 7 of Comp Group Nord: Scott Bacon explained his Unit and their involvement, including their display with regard to the France and Russian fronts, including skis, etc. The Charter will be submitted to the S&A Committee. Tabled for now.

#### **Defunct Units:**

29th Inf Div, 116th Rgt. There has been no contact with this Unit. Neither Bill nor Jon have been able to reach the Unit. Bill will try one last time to reach the Unit Commander. Tabled for now

#### **Final Charter Approval:**

326th Airborne Medical Company: They had sent formal information that the Unit will cease to exist. The Charter will be denied. A motion was made to deny the Unit which was seconded. A vote was taken and the Unit Charter was denied.

USO Stateside Operations: The Charter has been approved by the S&A Committee. The Charter was voted on and approved. The Charter was approved by the Board and they were accepted as a Probationary Unit in the HRS.

#### **Officers Reports:**

Treasurer Report: Tabled for now.

**Secretary Report:** We have 350 Applications in as of today for 2012. All cards have been processed and mailed. There are two large groups of new Apps being sent from the Treasurer to the Secretary, whihc will be processed asap.

**Commonwealth Rep Report:** No Report, bit working on a large Commonwealth event.

**Allied Rep Report:** No Report, but working on the St. Joe event.

**Axis Rep Report:** No Report, but has received requests for German reenactors looking for Units from ReenactorFest.

**Edge Report:** – New Editors are Mike Kaczorowski and Jeff Skender. Mike Kaczorowski talked a little about the upcoming Edge Editor duties, etc. He expects the first issue to come out in the next week or so.

### **Committee Reports:**

**S&A:** The Committee comments are listed above.

**Unit Commanders:** Nothing new. Yuri Soroka asked about his Unit Charter, which was mentioned that it will be next month.

**Recognition of other groups:** The LHRA has its insurance in place and submitted that info to the HRS. Their insurance is the same type of policy that the HRS carries. A motion was made, which was seconded, to recognize the LHRA. A vote was taken and the LHRA was accepted as a sanctioning body.

### **Open Comments:**

Doug Loge expressed his dissatisfaction at the Board recognizing the LHRA as a sanctioning event. It was explained that LHRA members could generally appear at HRS events. The event also has the option to exclude certain LHRA units from certain events.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.**