

Minutes of the WWII Historical Reenactment Society
Board Meeting 25 July 2013, 8:00 pm

Welcome and ROLL CALL:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>
President:	Jonathan Stevens	YES
Vice President:	Open	
Treasurer:	Charles Gallagher	NO
Secretary:	Eddie Mayton	NO
Allied Representative:	Ron Kapustka	YES
Commonwealth Rep:	Bryce Seyko	YES
Axis Representative:	Doug Loge	YES
Newsletter Editors:	Jeff Skender	YES
Business Manager:	David Jameson	YES

HRS Members Present

Pollie Blanton
Jim Schouten
Carlos Ramirez
Andy Rowden
Darrin Masters
Chris Adams
Steve Sloane
Kirk Gustafson
Jessica Jaeger
Jackie Detloff
Yuriy Sokov
Matt Andres
Chris Adams

Reading of the June, 2013 Minutes:

The June, 2013 meeting minutes were read by Ron Kapustka. A motion was made by Ron Kapustka to approve the minutes as read, which was seconded by Bryce. A vote was taken and the Minutes were approved as read.

Old Business

None

New Business

Unit Charters

New Charters:

201st Latvian Rifle Division: Matt Andres reported on the history of the Unit, which was part of the Red Army. Although they have fallen in with the 95th Rifles in the past, there was no Northern Illinois Unit which they could join to do Russian. They are the most typical line infantry unit in the Red Army. They have 8 members. The Unit CO will be a PFC and the other members will be Privates.

USO Camp Shows: This Unit has submitted a Charter and a number of Amendments to their Charter. The Charter has been voted on and approved by the S&A Committee. A motion was made by Ron Kapustka to accept the Unit as a Probationary Unit and it was seconded by Bryce Seyko. There was a set of questions submitted to the S&A Committee recently and Doug Loge asked that they answer those questions by the end of the year. A vote was taken and the Unit was accepted as a Probationary Unit. The additional questions will be sent to the Unit.

Midwest Women's Historical Baseball League: This Unit is not ready for a vote yet. There are a few insurance issues that need to be resolved. This Unit will be tabled until next month.

3rd Panzergrenadiers Division: Chris Adams' Unit has been in S&A for the past month. All questions/issues have been handled. The Unit passed the S&A Committee. A motion was made by Ron Kapustka to accept the Unit as a Probationary Unit. Seconded by Bryce Seyko. A vote was taken and the Unit was accepted as a Probationary Unit.

Probationary Charters:

5th Rangers, E Company: This Unit has completed their year long probation and have submitted their progress report to the S&A Committee and was passed by the S&A Committee. Doug Loge asked about number of "registered" members, and the answer was 8. They have a number of prospects to add and expect to have as many as 15 members at Thunder Over Michigan. A discussion was held regarding the necessity of having an Officer with the number of members. The Unit expects to have a Lieutenant with 10-12 guys, but if the need arises to downgrade some members of the Unit to NCO's, they are willing to do that. A motion was made by Ron Kapustka and was seconded by Bryce Seyko to put the Unit to a vote. A vote was taken and the Unit was not approved. A motion was made by Ron Kapustka and seconded by Bryce Seyko and a vote was taken. The Unit was accepted as a fully chartered Unit with the stipulation that they would not have an Officer in the Unit until they reach their anticipated number of 19 members, as set forth in their original Application.

Defunct Charters:

A/1/5 USMC: This Unit was disbanded and will be removed from the Unit Rolls.

Treasurer Report: PNC Bank shows \$47,926.99 in savings account and \$4,751.34 in checking, for a total at PNC Bank of \$52,678.33. July deposits were 890.00 in memberships plus the \$600.00 from the Lansing Event with expenses of \$35.38 for checks. The Wells Fargo Q1, 2013 ending balance was \$1,768.70. Q2, 2013 ending balance was \$1,723.20, and today's balance is \$1,187.70, with an outstanding check for scholarship of \$500.00.

Secretary Report: Eddie Mayton was unable to attend, No Report.

Commonwealth Report: Bryce reported on a large group of Commonwealth going to the Conneaut, OH event.

Allied Report: Nothing to Report.

Axis Report: Doug Loge reported on the five recognized "parent" groups and will provide that information in the next issue of The Edge.

Edge Report: Jeff needs information on the Special Election.

Business Manager Report: David Jameson reported about the request for an additional insured for the Rocky Mountain Air Show, 2013. David asked some questions about the event itself and Carlos was asked to e-mail the event link to David and David will report to the Board about the insurance request.

Committee Reports:

S&A - The Committee will be reviewing the Latvian Unit and the Midwest Women's Historical Baseball League. Doug Loge reported on a revised Authenticity Rule regarding hair/beard/moustache and will submit that info to the website and the Commanders Forum.

Unit Commanders - Not much going on.

Vehicle – HRS vehicle listing is being worked on. There is an effort to create an article to raise awareness around armor.

Legislative Committee- There are a few volunteers, but still working on forming the Committee.

Vice President Special Election: The deadline was July 21st. There was one person who submitted their application, Mike Kaczorski. Jonathan suggested we extend the deadline to August 1st. Bryce asked about the information going out to the

Units, and Doug reported that the information was submitted to the Unit Commanders and it was also in The Edge. Jeff Skender reported that the information was not in the HRS on-line version of The Edge. It was confirmed that it was NOT in the on-line version of The Edge. The deadline will be extended and the information will be published in the August edition of The Edge.

Recognized Groups The current recognized groups will be listed on the HRS website.

Rockford HRS Meal The HRS has received two proposals to provide the meal at Rockford. The Field Mess proposal was \$6.25 per person with a full breakfast menu. The second proposal was from the 353rd Infantry. Their proposal was not submitted completed. Dave Fornell mentioned to Bryce that his per person rate would be comparable to the Field Mess rate. A discussion was held that it would be preferred to have a HRS Unit, if possible, and if economical, provide the meal. Jon suggested that we vote to provide a meal, and than vote on the provider of the meal at the next Board meeting. Doug suggested that the Board wait to get the two complete proposals and than vote on the "complete" proposal. A further discussion was had with regard to which morning we provide the meal on. A motion was made by Bryce Seyko to vote on the day the breakfast would be provided. A vote was taken, which was unanimous to provide the meal on Saturday. Bryce Seyko made a motion to approve funding for a breakfast at Rockford, which was seconded by Ron Kapustka. A vote was taken and the vote was unanimous to approve funding for the breakfast.

Scholarship Two applications were submitted, which will be submitted to the Board. The winner of the scholarship will be announced and the scholarship paid out by August 20th, 2013. The nomination deadline was July 1, 2013.

Advertising Jon has intended to submit a proposal, but it is not ready. This will be tabled for now.

Open Comments: Steve Sloane asked about new memberships. A discussion was had regarding missing membership cards. Carlos Rameriz reported that he already sent the info needed directly to David. Ron will send the June minutes to Jeff Skender. A question was asked about amending a Charter.

A motion to adjourn the Meeting was made by Bryce Seyko and seconded by Ron Kapustka. A vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.