

**Minutes of the Board Meeting of the
WWII Historical Reenactment Society
18 April 2017**

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm.

Board Members:	President:	Jon Stevens,
	Treasurer:	Wayne McCulley
	Secretary:	Ron Kapustka
	American Rep:	Corey Vaughan
	Commonwealth Rep:	Brian Jones

Other Members Present: Matt Rademacher, Jim Schouten

Approval of Agenda

A motion to accept the Agenda, was made by Wayne McCulley, seconded by Corey Vaughn, and after a Board vote, were accepted.

Reading of March Meeting Minutes

The March, 2017 Minutes, were read by Ron Kapustka. Ron Kapustka motioned that the minutes be approved. Corey Vaughn seconded. The Minutes were approved by a majority vote of board.

Officer Reports:

Vice President: In CB's absence, Jon Stevens led a discussion on the following:

Das Reich Aufklarung. These guys are working on their charter and will be completing it soon.

507th PIR. A new charter was submitted.

33rd Armored Regt. A S&A vote was taken and S&A approved them.

All three charters will be tabled until next month when CB is available to further report to the Board.

There were no units to dissolve, no units to put on probation and no units at the end of their charter review period.

Treasurer Wayne McCulley

APRIL 2017

ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF MARCH 31ST 2017

PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account \$8,817.76

PNC Bank Money Market Account \$49,463.45

Account Totals **\$58,281.21**

INCOME FOR MARCH 2017

Membership Income \$2,070.00

Interest from Money Market Account \$2.62

Total Income **\$2,072.62**

EXPENDITURES FOR MARCH 2017

Eventbrite Service Fees \$308.43

Office Supplies \$17.58

Secretary of State Certificate of Good Standing \$16.00

Email Marketing Service \$12.80

Total Expenditures **\$354.81**

2017 Membership Income **\$6,500.00**

2017 Interest Income **\$7.75**

2017 Miscellaneous Income **\$0.00**

2017 Total Income **\$6,507.75**

2017 Expenditures **\$8,280.52**

2017 Total Income less 2017 Total Expenses **(\$1,772.77)**

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APRIL 15TH 2017

BEGINNING BALANCES 1ST QUARTER 2017

PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account	\$7,598.28
PNC Bank Money Market Account	\$52,455.70
ACCOUNT TOTALS	\$60,053.98

1ST QUARTER INCOME

Membership Dues Income	\$6,500.00
PNC Bank Money Market Account Interest Income	\$7.75
TOTAL 1ST QUARTER INCOME	\$6,507.75

1ST QUARTER EXPENDITURES

Liability Insurance	\$6,205.75
Director's and Officer's Insurance	\$744.00
Eventbrite Service Fees	965.52
Email Marketing Service	\$38.40
Postage	\$3.35
Post Office Box Rental 1 year	\$86.00
Military History Fest Table Supplies	\$20.93
Illinois Secretary of State Fees	\$26.00
Promotional Banner	\$107.99
Military History Fest table staff admissions	\$65.00
Office Supplies	\$17.58
TOTAL 1ST QUARTER EXPENDITURES	\$8,280.52

ENDING BALANCES 1ST QUARTER 2017

	\$8,817.76
PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account	
	\$49,463.45
PNC Bank Money Market Account	
	\$58,281.21
TOTAL ENDING BALANCES	
	\$6,500.00
2017 MEMBERSHIP INCOME	
	\$7.75
2017 INTEREST INCOME	
	\$0.00
2017 MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	
	\$6,507.75
2017 TOTAL INCOME	
	\$8,280.52
2017 EXPENDITURES	
	(\$1,772.77)
2017 INCOME LESS 2017 EXPENDITURES	

Secretary – Ron Kapustka

Ron reported that there were 91 new members in April, 2017 for a total to date of 883 as of today.

Commonwealth Rep-Brian Jones

Brian spoke about 1st Canadian and 10th Commando and they both said they were bringing their membership numbers up.

American Rep- Corey Vaughn

Still no response from David Jameson about 2nd ID. Corey will try Facebook and Jon Stevens will check on the e-mail address.

Axis Rep No Report, tabled until May.

Staff Reports

No staff members present.

Membership Coordinator – Jeff Skender -

We now have a WW2 HRS Microsoft Access Database.

It is under construction - but functional.

All the 2017 Eventbrite membership Info is in the database

along with our list of Chartered HRS Unit (both active and disbanded).

The Database is capable of generating many different reports.

The Database can Print Membership Cards.

Next step is to pull-in past years Eventbrite membership info into the database. Jon Stevens asked for the database to track Events, that can be done but Jeff recommended waiting on that until all the membership stuff in the database is fully functional.

Members will not have access to that database. However, if a member needed information from the database, they would contact the Board, state a proper purpose, and a report could be generated for them.

Committee Reports:

S&A

Has been very quiet, No report, tabled.

Unit Commanders Jon reported all is quiet. Some UC do not seem to be getting the updated membership info.

Vehicle Committee

Jim Schouten Received some feedback from 2nd Panzers and Chuck Roberts group regarding armor and riders. Jims primary concern was to come up with a SOP for use of vehicles at events. Jon Stevens suggested they deal with the SOP first and once that's done, move on to battlefield etiquette. The committee will concentrate on movement of vehicles while in and around the public. Jon Stevens asked about people riding on vehicles. Jim reported there has been feedback both for and against this practice, however, there seem to be certain instances that would be appropriate for this action. Jim suggested we concentrate on the safety aspects and not the historical authenticity of the practice. Brian Jones added that tracked vehicles are the more dangerous vehicles and this should be not allowed. Wheeled vehicles don't seem to have the issue. Jim mentioned that people can be put inside vehicles, not ON the vehicles. It was mentioned that the lola event has been cancelled partially due to a vehicle accident last year. A discussion continued about some sample rules or guidelines that could be applied to vehicles. Jim will continue to work on the suggested standards or guidelines with the committee.

Civilian Committee

Nicole Fornell No report, tabled.

Old Business:

Payout – Delay the Inevitable & Weldonkrieg Jon Stevens reported that \$1250.00 was earmarked for each event. Wayne received an Invoice for \$1,250.00 for dinner reductions at Ft Custer which had 125 attendees, and an Invoice for Weldonkreig for \$1250.00. A discussion was held that Regional Events should apply for funding. We still need the waivers before the checks can be released. A motion was made by Ron Kapustka, which was seconded by Brian Jones. A vote was taken and passed. The two checks will be cut and Wayne will hold them until we receive the waivers for each event.

New Business:

There are two events asking for funds. The Danville, IL Event and the Dundas, MN Event .

Danville requested \$365.00 for porta-pots, \$75.00 for reenactor meal and \$250.00 for fuel for the excavator to do battlefield work. A discussion was held that the HRS funded about \$350.00 two years ago for porta-pots. Brian Jones mentioned that events should be encouraged to be self-sufficient. The HRS can assist with nominal funding, but events need to look for other sources of funding as well. Wayne reported that in his past years being involved, this is only the second time they have asked for money. Ron Kapustka asked how many attendees are HRS, to which Corey replied about 90 HRS and 115 overall. Corey suggested we grant some of their request, and suggest they find some alternative sources of funding. Brian Jones agreed. Wayne suggested we fund the entire amount. Ron Kapustka suggested with the \$2,500.00 already granted, we need to keep that in mind. Ron kapustka suggested we give them \$350.00 and that was amended by Ron Kapustka to be increased to \$500.00, which was seconded by Brian Jones. A vote was taken and it was passed. The funding request will be granted up to \$500.00.

Dundas, MN requested \$300.00 for porta-pots. Jon Stevens responded to Matt Hanson that we need a proposal from the porta-pot company showing the cost. A motion was made by Ron kapustka, seconded by Corey Vaughn. A vote was taken and passed that the funds will be released upon receipt of the proposal and the waivers for the event.

Open Comments:

Jim Schouten brought up dues and that dues should reflect what the HRS is spending each year. If dues do not equal what is paid out, dues should be increased. However, if the expenditures are less than what we take in, perhaps the dues need to be decreased. Wayne reported that for 2016, we paid out more than we brought in, but in 2014 and 2015, we probably paid out less than we brought in. Brian Jones suggested a cap be put on the amount of a funds request to be awarded to events. A discussion was held regarding some sort of caps for funding requests and different types of caps for different types of events. Jon Stevens stressed that we need invoices, proposals or some sort of paper to support the request.

Announcements: The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

Adjourn Ron Kapustka made the motion, seconded by everyone. A vote was taken and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.