Call to Order at 7:31 pm– Board Members Attending: Jon Stevens, President; Chuck Bolanis, Vice President; Ron Kapustka, Secretary; Corey Vaughn, Allied Rep: Wayne McCulley, Treasurer, Doug Strong, Axis Rep, Matt Rademacher, Commonwealth Rep.

Members Attending: Jim Schouten

Approval of Agenda

RK motioned to approve the agenda as sent out. WM seconded. Agenda was approved by BOD vote.

Reading of December Meeting Minutes

The December Minutes were read by WM. RK motioned that the December Minutes be approved as read. That was seconded by CV. The December Minutes, as read, were approved by BOD vote.

Officer Reports:

Vice President:

New Charters: NO new Charters for 2018

Probationary charters: End of Probation Period Report:

2nd Jaeger Battalion (Payton)(Finnish) - CB did receive the end of the year report from 2nd Finnish Battalion. It was posted a week or so ago and is being currently voted on. CB asked if we should wait for a few more votes on the Unit before approving them as a Unit, but a motion was made by CB, seconded by DS. A roll call vote was taken and the 2nd Jaeger Battalion was approved as a Full membership.

Matt Iverson's 3rd Division, 2nd Company (Finnish) This Unit has not responded to CB's request for a year-end Report. CB will contact him again for the Report. This will be tabled until next month.

FeldLazarette Grosdeutschland This Unit has also not submitted their end of year Report and will be tabled until next month.
First Co, 1st Battalion, Jaeger Div 28  This Unit has also not submitted their end of year Report and will be tabled until next month.

CB further reported that there are currently 106 chartered or pending chartered Units. 8 of them are on Probation, 1 is waiting for a vote to be put on probation and there were 4 new Charters adopted by the HRS in 2017 and there were two Charters disbanded in 2017.

Treasurer Report
ANNUAL REPORT 2017
WORLD WAR II HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT SOCIETY
For the Period January 1st through December 31st 2017
January 19, 2017

BEGINNING ACCOUNT BALANCES

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

2017 INCOME

Membership Income $12,280.00
Interest from Money Market Account $44.76
Insurance Reimbursement from Rockford World War 1 Weekend $300.00
Reimbursement from Midway Village for Thursday meal at WW2 days $551.38
Total Income $12,624.76
2017 EXPENDITURES

Liability Insurance $6,205.75
Director's and Officer's Insurance $744.00
Event Support $5,321.17
Eventbrite Service Fees $1,712.10
Marketing $193.92
HRS Scholarship $500.00
Email Marketing Service $153.60
Post Office Box Rental $86.00
Membership Card Supplies $307.89
Refund of Membership Overpay $65.53
Postage $349.51
Illinois Secretary of State Fees $26.00
Domain Renewal $191.93
Vehicle Inspection Supplies $48.63

Total Expenditures $15,906.03

ENDING ACCOUNT BALANCES

PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account $7,823.63
PNC Bank Money Market Account $49,500.46
Total Ending Account Balances $57,324.09

2017 INCOME LESS 2017 EXPENDITURES ($2,729.89)

HRS SUPPORT TO EVENTS IN 2017

Delay the Inevitable $1,250.00
Weldonkrieg $1,250.00
Kennekuk (Danville) WW2 Days $355.00
Dundas Minn. WW2 Weekend $300.00
Midway Village WW2 Days meals less Midway Village Reimbursement $2,002.75
Big Lake Minn. Event $163.42

TOTAL HRS SUPPORT TO EVENTS $5,321.17
Secretary - Ron K reported. We had 1117 members in 2017 and have 384 members and 3 Minor members for 2018 as of 1/30/2018.

Commonwealth Rep.- Matt Rademacher reported that he did not have much to report, except that MR has spoken to No, Ten Commandos and has been assured that he will have his five members signed up by the end of January, 2018. CB mentioned they were put on Probation on March 28, 2018, so they have until the end of that period to comply.

The First Canadian Parachute BN was placed on Probation on 2/21/2017. WM reported that they met the member requirements for 2017 so that they can be removed from Probation. MR made a motion that they be removed from Probation, CV seconded the motion. A vote was taken and they were removed from Probation.

Allied Rep - Corey reported that there are two Units that have been under strength. CV has had no contact with F Co., 2/5 Marine. CB mentioned that their Probation period ends Feb 21, 2018.

2nd ID was placed on Probation on 3/28/2017 so they have until March 28, 2018 to meet their member requirements. CV spoke with Jameson who only asked for the registration information.

The 29 ID 116 IR (Forrest) met the needed number of members.

1st ID has also met the required members.

17th Airborne has not responded to CV and neither has 32nd Infantry, Kissinger's Unit. Lastly, the 34th Infantry, Serakaku, has not responded to CV.

The 325th GIR has lost their UC and the Unit is working on getting a new UC. They do have a few members already signed up.

Anthony Noce's 307th Engineers are working on getting registered.

Alan Jones is working on his Charter Revision.

CV asked whether the Finnish Units are Axis, and it was confirmed that they are.

Axis Rep - Doug Strong reported what was done regarding the Finnish Units, as reported by CB. Nothing new to report. CB mentioned that the 250th Azule Ski Company (A Spanish Division) was placed on Probation in 2017. WM reported that they had five members for 2017. DS made a motion, which was seconded by CB. A vote was taken and they were removed from Probation.

Staff Reports

Membership Coordinator – Jeff Skender is not in attendance, so his report will be tabled.

Committee Reports:

S&A Committee- Chuck mentioned that the S&A Committee members must be members in the HRS to retain their position on the S&A Committee. CB mentioned that the Vehicle Rules be used as Guidelines. The speed limit should be set as "manageable and safe" and that speed limit meets the site's speed limit policy of the host site.
The other issue is vehicle riders. The Committee is split.

Lastly, the Commonwealth and Axis Rep have traditionally been on the S&A Committee. There is a membership limit. In order to add DS, Dave Fornell would have to be removed. CB will remove DF and DS will be added.

Unit Commanders Committee- Jon reported there is an issue with messages being sent to the Yahoo groups. WM and RK to periodically post membership info to the group. A discussion was held regarding moving from Yahoo to another provider. It was decided that the move may not be able to be done due to the amount of info on the Yahoo group.

Vehicle Committee – JS reported that his Unit formed a "Pro Board" years ago on their Yahoo Group, as an option for the Yahoo issue. JS went on to report that he will post the change in the speed limit wording on the Vehicle Committee group and asked that it be made clear that events should post the max speed limit for their event. JS mentioned regarding the riders on vehicles issue and that the Vehicle Committee will follow whatever the S&A Committee comes up with. Lastly, Jim is working on splitting up Rockford encampments into inspector areas for vehicles, to be assigned to specific inspectors. The only other thing JS had was regarding the Stronghold Event, and that the town of Oregon was interested in getting involved in the event and adding other activities to the event. They are also thinking of adding a military vehicle show and swap meet to the event. Anyone interested should contact Rich Russo.

Civilian Committee – Nicole Fornell not in attendance, report tabled.

Old Business:

2018 HRS National Event – There have been a few inquiries into the National Event for 2018 and the BOD needs to work on HOW the HRS would support the National Event so that this info can be provided to anyone interested in hosting the National Event. There have not been any actual proposals submitted as of yet.

New Business:

Reenactor Fest is this weekend. The HRS has a table and JS asked for BOD members to sit at the table for awhile. JS, WM, CV and DS will all be there and will man the table.

Insurance Renewal. The HRS was given a notice of non-renewal based on "Loss History". The HRS was given a month, until March 8, 2018, to find a new insurer. The BOD voted on paying the interim insurance through March 8, 2018, until a new provider is found. The one claim we have had is still being settled by the carrier for the 2017 Rockford claim. There are 2-3 events during the time before March 8, 2018, so the interim insurance was voted by the BOD.

CV asked whether someone should reach out to other organizations and see who they use for insurance. JS mentioned that he also thought of that, and would look into the issue. WM reported that the checks were delivered to the insurance company for the interim coverage.

Open Comments:

Jon asked for open comments. No open comments.

Announcements: The next meeting will be February 20, 2018.
Adjourn

DS motioned to adjourn, RK seconded. Approved by BOD vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.