



# WWII HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT SOCIETY Inc.

## Minutes of the WWII Historical Reenactment Society Board Meeting 24 April 2018

**Call to Order at 7:34** - Board Members Attending: Jon Stevens, President; Ron Kapustka, Secretary; Wayne McCulley, Treasurer; Corey Vaughn, Allied Rep; Matt Rademacher, Commonwealth Rep; Doug Strong, Axis Rep.

Members Attending: George Reinke, Brad Montegan, Jim Schouten

### **Approval of Agenda**

RK motioned to approve the agenda as Revised by JS. WM and CV seconded. Agenda was approved by BOD vote.

### **Reading of March Meeting Minutes**

The March, 2018 Minutes were read by RK. RK motioned that the March Minutes be approved as read. That was seconded by DS and WM. The March Minutes, as read, were approved by BOD vote.

### **Officer Reports:**

Vice President: CB is not able to attend the meeting. JS reported that there were two new Charters, the 3rd Gebirgsjaeger; and the 63<sup>a</sup> Legione CC.NN. d'Assalto "Tagliamento" .

The 3rd Gebirgsjaeger received 7 Yes and 1 No vote by the S&A Committee. JS made a motion to accept the 3rd Gebirgsjaeger as a Probationary HRS Unit. RK seconded the motion. A BOD vote was taken and the motion was passed. The 3rd Gebirgsjaeger will be accepted as a Probationary HRS Unit.

The S&A vote on 63<sup>a</sup> Legione CC.NN. d'Assalto "Tagliamento" was 14 positive and 1 negative. JS made a motion to accept 63<sup>a</sup> Legione CC.NN. d'Assalto "Tagliamento" as a Probationary Unit. That was seconded by RK. A vote was taken and the motion was passed. The 63<sup>a</sup> Legione CC.NN. d'Assalto "Tagliamento" will be accepted as a Probationary HRS Unit. CB will contact both Units.

The balance of CB's report will be tabled until next month.

**Treasurer –**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**WORLD WAR II HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT SOCIETY APRIL 2018**

**ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF MARCH 31ST 2018**

<b>PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account</b>	<b>\$8,544.84</b>
<b>PNC Bank Money Market Account</b>	<b>\$44,512.47</b>

**Account Totals** **\$53,057.31**

**INCOME FOR MARCH 2018**

**Membership Income** **\$7,200.00**  
**Interest from Money Market Account** **\$3.74**  
**Total Income** **\$7,203.74**

**EXPENDITURES FOR MARCH 2018**

**Eventbrite Service Fees** **\$1,061.31**  
**Liability Insurance** **\$8,755.00**  
**Postage** **\$160.00**  
**Email Marketing Service** **\$12.80**  
**Membership Refund** **\$8.51**  
**Total Expenditures** **\$9,997.62**

**2018 Membership Income** **\$7,200.00**  
**2018 Interest Income** **\$12.01 2018**  
**Miscellaneous Income** **\$0.00**  
**2018 Total Income** **\$7,212.01**  
**2018 Expenditures** **\$11,478.79**  
**2018 Total Income less 2018 Expenditures** **(\$4,266.78)**

**Secretary** – Ron K reported that we have currently have 802 members and 12 Minor members for 2018 as of 4/24/2018.

**Commonwealth Rep** - Matt has nothing to report.

**Allied Rep** - CV reported that he spoke with Chris Kissinger about the 32nd ID. Chris is either going to get the members signed up or convert to a non-combat Unit.

**Axis Rep** - Doug has nothing to report.

**Staff Reports**

**Membership Coordinator** – Jeff Skender Report tabled

**Committee Reports:**

**S&A** – They are working on finalizing the two Incident Reports and should have more at next month's meeting.

**Unit Commanders** - No report

**Vehicle Committee** – Jim Schouten reported that he created a poll on the UC Group, which is functioning and since April 5th, has only one participant. Bill Sheets was invited to be part of the Vehicle Committee but has not responded yet. CV will check with him and advise Jim if Bill received the invite. Jim is not sure on how to proceed with the Vehicle Committee based on the lack of interest so far. JS suggested that Jim send out a final request for participation and go

with the results as finalized after the second request for participation. George made a few suggestions as to how to get responses.

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

### **Old Business:**

**2018 HRS National Event** – JS sent out some requirements of the 2018 National Battle. They are:

1. Outline of event costs
2. Cost per person
3. Proof of permission from Range Control or AHJ
4. Insurance Requirements or proof of insurance
5. Security details, including parking plan
6. Space for 350 participants or more
7. Potable water supply
8. Adequate port-o-pots
9. Detailed adequate method of safety inspection
10. Outline of battle plan
11. A means for at least one dinner
12. Vendor area/swap (not required but a good idea)
13. Potential vehicle usage, restrictions, and transport costs
14. Address for ATF paperwork

This will be added to the FB page so anyone who has an interest has the necessary information on what to submit. CV suggested here be something added about lodging/camping, etc.

**Insurance** – JS received the full policy from the insurance company. The HRS did secure insurance for the WW1 Event at a cost of \$699.00, of which Midway Village paid \$300.00 and the HRS paid the balance. Lastly, insurance changes for the rest of the year will be as follows:

Due to changes in insurance, the WWII HRS will no longer insure all participants at HRS events. Only members receive coverage through the HRS liability insurance. This means that either non-HRS members can participate at their own risk by signing a non-member liability waiver which if they cause an accident they are responsible for any all claims resulting from the accident **or** they can provide a liability insurance policy to the HRS that covers the members of their unit. This policy would need to include the WWII HRS as an additional insured and potentially the location owner as an additional insured if the site requests this. A liability policy is greatly preferred and in the future, we may no longer allow a “non-member waiver” for non-members to participate at HRS events.

Members should be ready to provide proof of current membership and identification at events if asked. Some events have mistakenly used the “non-member” liability waiver for current members. Please be careful to use the correct waivers so that in case of any legal actions there are no questions if a member has coverage under the HRS liability insurance.

### **New Business:**

**Rockford Accident Report** CB finished his investigation and have provided the results, my conclusion, summary and recommendations. His report will be supplied to the BOD as well as

his recommendations which will be reviewed and voted on at the May BOD meeting.

**Event support:** Alan Miltich submitted a request for \$400 for his "Delay the Inevitable" tactical in Ohio. JS explained the request. CV asked about funding support for vehicles at past events. JS reported that the event has 225 reenactors last year with 145 HRS members. RK and WM suggested support, however, at a reduced amount, based on expenditures. WM suggested the HRS supply \$250.00. CV agreed as did Doug Strong and Matt Rademacher. MR further suggested that the HRS come up with guidelines for vehicle funding and that the HRS consider coming up with a budget for vehicle transportation at future events. MR will start working on guidelines for vehicle transportation. DS proposed \$300.00 which was seconded by RK. A BOD vote was taken and \$300.00 was approved for funding. Alan Miltich will be notified.

**New event requests:** There was an event request for New Bedford, WI. JS will send the info out to the BOD for review before the May meeting.

**Open Comments:**

WM received the receipt for the Weldonkreig event, but has not received the waivers yet. JS suggested that WM contact them one last time asking for the waivers before paying the receipt.

Jim Schouten mentioned that the recent increase in the insurance premium has caused a possible future shortfall in HRS funds. Membership dues should cover at a minimum, the mandatory operating costs of the organization. If dues need to be increased, the BOD should consider that. DS suggested a slight increase in dues to cover the possible shortfall. WM suggested that any dues increase be considered for 2019. JS mentioned that the By-Laws allow for a late fee. The BOD will look into the shortfall issue and make a decision in the near future. JS asked WM to prepare a report on the regular operating expenses for the past few years, with the event support numbers being taken out, and to send that out to the BOD.

**Announcements:** The next meeting May 15, 2018.

**Adjourn** RK motioned to adjourn, WM seconded. Approved by BOD vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.