



WWII HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT SOCIETY Inc.

Agenda for the WWII Historical Reenactment Society Board Meeting 19 May 2020, 6:30 pm CST

Call to Order at 6:35 pm - Board Members Attending: Jon Stevens, President; Chuck Bolanis, Vice President; Ron Kapustka, Secretary; Treasurer, Jeff Skender; Matt Rademacher, Commonwealth Rep; Doug Strong, Axis Rep; Corey Vaughn, Allied Rep.

Members Attending: Alex Soteris, Wayne McCauley, Alex Sokolski, Al Jones

Approval of Agenda

RK motioned to approve the agenda, CB seconded. Agenda was approved by BOD vote.

Approval of April Meeting Minutes

The April, 2020 Minutes were previously distributed to and reviewed by the board members. RK motioned that the April Minutes be approved, which was seconded by CB. The April Minutes were approved by BOD vote.

Officer Reports:

Vice President:

New Charters: CB received a new US Charter Submission, 1st Marine Raider Battalion, Dog Company, from Alex Soteris of Lowell, IN. The S&A Committee has reviewed it and after three revisions, the Charter is finalized. CB discussed a few comments which were brought up by the S&A Committee, including a request for a campaign by campaign list of gear, etc. Alex Soteris explained that they will primarily be portraying the Unit after Guadalcanal, 1943. CB presented the Unit to the BOD for a vote as a Probationary Unit. DS and CV seconded the motion. A BOD vote was taken and the Unit was approved as a Probationary Unit in the HRS. CB will follow-up with Alex Soteris and JeffS will add them as a Unit on the HRS Unit Rolls and EventBrite.

Probation Review: None

Unit Probation/Dissolve Review: None

Treasurer:

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES

PNC Bank Business Checking Account	\$9,673.95
PNC Bank CD	\$30,000.00
PNC Bank Money Market Account	\$14,566.57
PNC Bank Account Totals	\$54,240.52

YEAR 2020 Total Income

January Membership Income	\$2,175.03
January Minor Membership Income	\$0.00
February Membership Income	\$2,674.36
February Minor Membership Income	\$71.05
March Membership Income	\$1,841.16
March Minor Membership Income	\$44.53
April Membership Income	\$984.01
April Minor Membership Income	\$26.52
May Membership Income	\$412.25
May Minor Membership Income	\$0.00
Total Membership Income	\$8,228.91

January Interest Income	\$0.87
February Interest Income	\$0.78
March Interest Income	\$0.89
April Interest Income	\$0.83
Total Interest Income	\$3.37

2020 ALL Income	\$8,232.28
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YEAR 2020 ALL Expenses

State of Illinois Non-for-Profit Report	\$13.00
Postage	\$356.35
PO Box for 2020 Year	\$268.00
Bank Fee - Debit Card	\$19.95
Membership Card Supplies	\$362.70
Insurance Payment	\$783.00
Insurance Payment	\$8,446.00
2020 ALL Expenditures	\$10,249.00

YEAR 2020 Total - LOSS	(\$2,016.72)
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YEAR 2020 Approved Expenses NOT PAID

Rails To Victory Event Support (not Paid)	\$441.00
WW2 HRS National Battle Support (not Paid)	\$2,000.00

Secretary - April Minutes were sent to the webmaster to be put on the HRS website.

Commonwealth Rep: MR reported that he went through the list of Units with less than 5 members for 2019.

First Canadian Para has had no members for the past two years. MR made the motion to put the Unit on Probation and CB seconded the motion. A BOD vote was taken and the Unit will be put on Probation.

2/25 Australian Unit has 3 members in 2019 and none in 2020. MR made a motion to put the Unit on Probation, which was seconded by CB. A BOD vote was taken and the Unit will be put on Probation.

No. 10 Commando has had less members for the past two years. MR made the motion to put the Unit on Probation and CB seconded the motion. A BOD vote was taken and the Unit will be put on Probation.

Allied Rep: CV received an e-mail from the 34th Infantry Division, 135th Infantry Regiment D Company which wants to be disbanded.

CV reported that the 82nd Airborne Division 325th GIR, 3rd Battalion, F/K Co. reported they are going through a change in Unit CO.

2nd Infantry Division 23rd Inf. Rgt. I Co., has no members for 2020. JS will get in touch with David to see if he wants to stay as a Unit.

3rd Infantry Division 15th Regt. B Company has had less than 5 members the past few years. CV made a motion to put them on Probation, seconded by DS, and a BOD vote was taken.

Axis Rep: DS has been contacting those units that had less than 5 members last year. He was contacted that the 250th Infantry Div, Azul; Ski Company is interested in being disbanded.

Staff Reports

Membership Coordinator: Jeff Skender has mailed out all membership cards and Unit Reports to the UC's. There 629 members as of today.

Committee Reports:

S&A Nothing new other than what was covered in the VP Report.

Unit Commanders UC's are getting their membership lists monthly. Nothing else to report.

Vehicle Committee JimS and RK have not had a chance to work on the Vehicle Inspection Report. Tabled for now.

Old Business:

Amendment to Minor Age Member Rules: JS's goal was to streamline the Rules and try to get younger members involved. The proposed Rules were distributed to the BOD prior to the meeting for review. JS made the motion to approve the Proposal which was seconded by CB. A BOD vote was taken and the Proposal was approved. JS will send the proposal to the Unit Commanders Group for further comment before it is sent to the HRS membership for a vote.

New Business:

Event Cancellations/Postponed – Lockport was cancelled.

Scholarship: CB will post the Scholarship information on the FaceBook page.

CD renewal: The \$30,000 CD is up for renewal. JS asked whether we should renew it or move it to the checking account. DS made a motion to renew the CD, along with its interest, which was seconded by CB. A BOD vote was taken and was approved. The CD will be renewed for another year.

Open Comments: Wayne McCauley asked about the Edge as there hasn't been an edition since 2019. JS reported there is no one who has volunteered to take over the project. CV mentioned that he has heard from UC's that their members are asking why they should register with the HRS because there are no events and/or they do not see the value in the HRS membership. A discussion was held regarding the major cost the HRS has is insurance, which must be paid whether there are any events or not. MR suggested that the BOD perhaps explain to members what the financial health of the HRS is, so that perhaps the membership might better understand the need for dues whether there are events or not. MR further suggested that the BOD enforce the April 1st 5-member requirement that if a Unit does not have 5 members by April 1st, it automatically be put on Probation until they get their 5 members. A suggestion for some sort of discount be given for 2021 membership is something to consider in the future. The consensus was that could be further discussed later in the year. CB mentioned that the BOD and HRS should continue to let members know the value in the HRS and what the HRS does, such as providing insurance for events and providing funding requests for events.

Announcements: Next meeting June 16, 2020

Adjourn: RK made a motion to adjourn, seconded by CB and DS, a BOD vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 7:42.