

# WWII Historical Reenactment Society Minutes of the Board Meeting 25 June, 2024

<u>Call to Order at 7:02 CST pm</u> - Board Members Attending: Jon Stevens, President; Ron Kapustka, Secretary; Corey Vaughn, Allied Rep; Wayne McCulley, Commonwealth Rep; Adam Bednar, Axis Rep.

Members Attending: Charles Saint, Lena Wurth,

# **Approval of Agenda**

RK motioned to approve the June 2024 Agenda, which was seconded by CV. Agenda was approved by BOD vote.

### **Approval of April 2024 Meeting Minutes**

The April 2024 Minutes were previously distributed to and reviewed by the board members. RK motioned that the Minutes be approved, which was seconded by CV and WM. The Minutes were approved by BOD vote.

### Officer Reports:

**Vice President:** JS had one person contact him regarding the possible position of VP. JS asked them to come to the meeting.

New Units: 16th Luftwaffe Field Div submitted a new charter which was sent out to the BOD and S&A Committee. They are asking for the entire 16th Luftwaffe Division. JS asked that they identify a smaller unit of organization. AB was asked if they were to be submitted as a company, rather than a division and he agreed. AB liked the charter and had spent time reviewing it. AB suggested the BOD take a vote today. WM asked if they need to agree to scale the unit down and RK mentioned the vote can be taken on the condition that they scale the unit down to a company level. RK made a motion to vote on the unit as a new unit. Seconded by WM and AB. A BOD vote was taken and approval was conditioned on the unit scaling down to a Company to be identified by the unit leadership.

Probationary Units: None to discuss at this time

Dissolved/Disbanded Units: None to discuss at this time

**Treasurer**: JS checked on the financials and we have \$10,075.34 in the Money Market and \$8659.99 in checking. JS needs to finalize the meeting with the bank to renew the CD.

**Secretary:** The April 2024 Minutes will be sent to the webmaster.

Commonwealth Rep: Nothing to report.

Allied Rep: Nothing to report. CV was unable to contact the USMC unit but will try

again.

**Axis Rep:** Adam had nothing to report.

# **Staff Reports**

**Membership Coordinator:** Tabled. JS has been receiving several questions regarding membership cards. A lengthy discussion was held regarding membership cards and possibly using the "ticket" that is issued by the platform which is sued to collect the dues. RK will look into an alternative and report back at the next meeting.

# **Committee Reports:**

Governance Tabled

Safety and Authenticity Tabled

Scholarship Tabled

Publications and Promotional JS and Adam trying to work with Mark Bartuszek regarding the position and hope to have that wrapped up by the end of June.

Vehicle Tabled

Civilian Tabled

WWI Tabled

#### Old Business:

Renewal of the CD JS will finalize with the PNC rep to renew the CD before the next meeting.

## **New Business:**

New Events: Chippewa Valley BSA Camp: Additional Insured Certificate. JS finalizing the additional insured requirement. RK made the motion to pay the fee to

obtain the certificate, seconded by AB and CV. A BOD vote was taken and approved to pay the fee.

There was also a Funding Request made for the event of \$200.00. JS spoke about that request and mentioned that we provided the same amount last year. RK made the motion to approve up to \$200.00 in funding, seconded by AB. A BOD was taken and the funding was approved.

Soviet event sponsorship request Lena Wurth attended the meeting to discuss the event. The Ukranian Greywolves along with other Russian units are offering a Scout/Sniper training course to teach military skills. The event will be held at Shadow Hawk Defense in West Virginia August 23-25, 2024. Lena will be submitting a charter application for a Soviet paramilitary organization. WM made a motion to accept this as an HRS event, seconded by AB. A BOD vote was taken and the event is approved as an HRS Event.

Western Illinois University sponsorship request. AB spoke about an event at Western Illinois where a display would be set up on campus as a static encampment on the "quad". The event is set for October 18 and 19, 2024. They are seeking proof of insurance for the event. RK made a motion to accept this as an HRS event, seconded by CV. A BOD vote was taken, with AB abstaining and the event is approved as an HRS Event.

2024 HRS Scholarship: AB had a person interested in submitting an essay and application for the scholarship. Ab to provide the info to the applicant.

Website Host: JS received a notification from the website host about some changes being made. JS to work with the webmaster to work out any issues.

**Open Comments:** JS mentioned a thank you to CV for all his work at the Lest We Forget event in Benton Harbor last weekend.

**Announcements:** The next meeting will be targeted for Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 7:00.

<u>Adjourn:</u> RK made a motion to adjourn, seconded by AB. A BOD vote was taken and meeting adjourned at 8:02