

**Minutes of the Governing Board
16th Infantry Regiment Association
18 March 2017**

The following are the condensed minutes of the 16th Infantry Regiment Association Governing Board meeting held on 18 March 2017 via Skype

Attendance:

Steve Clay, President: Present
Bob Hahn, 1st Vice President: Present
Phil Hall, 2nd Vice President: Absent
Doug Meeks, Treasurer & Recruiter: Present
Bob Humphries, President Emeritus: Present
John Schatzel, Adjutant: Absent

Steve Clay officially opened the meeting at 0658 CST

Minutes

Actions Underlined; Decisions Bold Italics

Opening: Steve Clay

February Minutes: Clay reviewed Feb minutes; minutes unanimously accepted.

Status Reports:

Steve:

- DMOR/HMOR Nominations submission. All packets forwarded to Ralph Kauzlarich have been forwarded to Fort Benning, including Erik Anthes and the two HMORs from the UK.
- OSM Awards. Three of four OSM packets/awards have arrived. Still waiting for Barb Hall's packet due to change in award type (Sparta to Civis).
- Corporal James B. Gresham House-Centennial Plaque, 3 November 2017-NSTR
- Bathelemont Centennial Ceremony, 3 November 2017-NSTR
- SSG Robinson Plaque/Am Leg Post 338-NSTR
- 1st Battalion Headquarters Renovation Program. John Schatzel passed on to Steve that the streamers are en route and should be here at any time now. Steve will inventory and separate and get those needed for the 1st Battalion to them ASAP.
- 2017 Fund and Membership Drive-Reminder cards mailout has been completed.
- New Association Website-The website is up and operational. Numerous members have indicated their pleasure with the new website.
- Memorandum of Agreement for Ariethal Forest Project in Fleville. Steve signed the agreement and placed it in the mail. As soon as the French government approves it, the transfer of money (\$2500) to support the project will be completed.
- April 2017 Dagwood Dispatches. Will be sent to Rich Sales on Sunday or Monday (19 or 20 March)

Bob:

- 2017 Wounded Ranger Program. Jose Garcia is still wavering on whether he will attend due to health issues. Bob received 4 other names from Mike Lukow and others who may be eligible for the Wounded Ranger program. Bob sent the names to Ralph for his recommendations since he was their battalion commander.
- 2017 Officers Dinner, This year's Officers' Dinner will be held in Junction City and right now is on track to have twice as many attendees as last year.

Phil:

- December Quartermaster's Report. Phil reported \$218.00 in Quartermaster Sales since Feb report.
- Current projects status. N/A

Doug:

- December Treasurer's Report. Doug reported \$26,358.00 currently in the Association account. Major expenditures since Feb Report:

- \$3,000 to 1st Battalion for the Regimental Room
- \$1,000 for the Ariethal Forest project
- \$2,200 for streamer payment
- \$151.51 for postage and printing (Membership reminders)
- \$20.00 for OSM upgrade to Civis award.

- Pay Pal fix status. Pay Pal is temporarily fixed for operations, but the changeover to a new account is on hold until we find a replacement treasurer.

John:

- December Adjutant's Report. Provided by Steve: 504 members after culling duplicates, deaths, and resignations.

- Semper Paratus awards pins status. See "New Business" below.

Unfinished Business:

1. 2017 Reunion plans. Steve stressed the need for us to have a good reunion plan this year. He sent out a tentative schedule for review by the Board. No additional input. Steve is working several things to make the reunion better for the members:
 - a. Unchained Band from Wichita
 - b. 12-minute 16th Infantry in WWI video.
 - c. WWI Posters for the CP.
 - d. 16th Infantry in WWI images on a slideshow loop to be played in the CP.
 - e. WWI display/reenactor program.
2. 2nd Vice President vacancy for 2017 election.
3. Colors for Easy Company, UK Living History unit. Still waiting for feedback from the battalion in Korea about costs.

New Business:

1. Victory Week 9-11 June 2017. NSTR. The 1st Division has not published a plan yet.
2. Semper Paratus awards. After discussion of the awards, the Board voted unanimously to purchase the Semper Paratus Awards.
3. Assistance to our HMORs from the UK. The Board voted unanimously to pay for the hotel room and banquet meals for Ian Malugani and Wayne Roff to make their attendance at the reunion easier.
4. 2017 Reunion Itinerary. No suggestions/comments from the Board.
5. Treasurer. Doug announced that he will be unable to continue as Treasurer. He recommended that we ask Becky Arthington to take over the job. Due to Constitutional requirements for Board membership, she cannot be the Treasurer, but could serve under the Treasurer as the Accountant. As such, she would basically do the Treasurer's job, but just couldn't vote on Board issues. Steve said he would contact her with the proposition.
6. Doug indicated that Jennifer will not likely attend the reunion due to other commitments. Recommended Mahlon Hile present her the HMOR accoutrements.