

THE ROOSEVELT MILITARY ACADEMY ROUGH RIDER ASSOCIATION, INC.  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BY CONFERENCE CALL- 11 MAY 2011

(NOTE: Due to unforeseen circumstances and by agreement and due notice to the Board, the meeting scheduled for 10 May 2011 was held on 11 May 2011)

Attending: L Young, Sr. President Yes  
J Gwynne, Vice President Yes  
G. Feitler, Secretary / Treasurer Yes  
R. Fritz, Immediate Past President No

Mr. Young called the meeting to order at 18:04 CST

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting of 12 April 2011 have been circulated by email to all the members of the Board. They are approved as written.

Committees:

2012 Reunion Mr. Young will try to talk to prior committee on his way through Chicago for the Aledo meeting with the new mayor. Possible events in Aledo may draw us back there.

May Mr. Young reported that Mr. Bob Kramer has agreed to act as Chair of the 2012 Reunion Committee. Mr. Vagi has also agreed to assist. Committee membership is still open to any and all that would like to pitch in and help. They should contact Bob Kramer at (847) 560- 1208 or at [kram303@concast.net](mailto:kram303@concast.net).

June, 2011 Ft Lauderdale Reunion

We have 20 registrants as of today.

May: Up to 22 now.

Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Feitler emailed the April 30, 2011 financial statements to the board members. The Treasurer reported that we have as of 4/30, \$9,045.32 the bank. Mr. Feitler further reported that in accordance with prior Board authorization, \$3,888.03 has been invested in a savings account with ING DIRECT. This amount represents A) the life time membership dues to be amortized into revenue in future years, and B) the money we are holding for the Aledo memorial. He used ING DIRECT as they have a good rating, they will accept this small amount as a business savings deposit, and he has been using them himself for a number of years with satisfactory results.

Unfinished Business:

1. Quartermaster:

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A count of the Quartermaster's inventory is pending and is expected to be done in June.

Mr. Young would like to have this Board initiate a systematic dissolution of what may be excesses in the inventory of the memorabilia, citing possible sales, gifts or other dispositions to bring it down to a more manageable level. This is be tabled until the inventory is taken.

Tabled until July, 2011 meeting.

2. Planning of mini reunions around the country.

The proposed meeting in San Antonio is still in the planning stages.

Mar. Mr. Rick Millikan, Mr. Mike Vagi and Harry Bigray have formed a committee and are working on the Texas mini-reunion.

MAY The committee is finalizing the email, we need to include an article in the next newsletter.

3. DVD's of Col. Millikan's gate speeches. The board has approved up to \$300 for the preservation of the DVD's.

MAR Mr. Feitler has no yet been able to copy the media and will endeavor to do so this next month.

APR Mr. Feitler unable to get it done, Mr. Fitz will try, Mr. Feitler will send to him.

MAY. M r. Feitler will let Mr. Frit\z know that Bob Kramer is willing to take this on, will he please call him.

4. Is there a need to set protocols for seeking and purchasing memorabilia for the Association's collection? Tabled until Mr. Young and Mr. Feitler visit with Mr. Shalander in June, 21.

New Business:

1. We should consider fiscal support for the mini reunions if so; we would need to establish criteria and limitation. In discussion it was agreed that since there are no business meetings at the mini reunions, and the Biennial meetings are the regular meetings per the by-laws, the fiscal support should remain with the Regular meetings. The mini reunions are for fellowship and not for fiscal reports, elections or business meetings. We will still support with publicity and current roster data will continue as long

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as the organizer(s) are members of the Association.

2. Should we have a formal acknowledgement to members for renewing or enhancing membership? Mr. Mike Vagi, the Membership Chair, is acknowledging membership renewals and upgrades directly to the members. Copies of the letters he is using have been circulated to the Board. The Board expresses its appreciation of the fine job Mr. Vagi is doing.

It is noted that Mr. Fritz is working on the certificates. It was moved that the Membership Chair be responsible for the certificates. Moved, seconded and passed.

3. We need to visit the distribution of minutes, we are now distributing via web, and have begun US Mail for members without email addresses, should we do more? Mr. Feitler reported that he mailed the first quarter Board of Directors minutes to the seven members that do not have an email address on the current roster. Presently that is considered enough.

4. Visit listing the idea of membership benefits on the web site, and on the membership form.

Mr. Gwynne has suggested we consider

- Voting rights
- Hold elected office
- Complimentary copy of "by-laws" by email or USPS
- Complimentary copy of Newsletter by email or USPS
- Complimentary copy of Roster by email or USPS
- Quartermaster Store purchase "surcharge" waived for members
- Chairmanship for conducting local and regional gatherings

The Board agreed.

5. It was moved and seconded that Millikan family members, may be admitted to full and lifetime memberships upon application to and approval by the Board of Directors. Passed.

6. The Taps inclusion on the front page of the Web has not happened as yet.

7. The 2012 Regular Biennial Reunion and Meeting will be held in Aledo/Rock Island area in late summer or early fall to coincide with memorial park dedications.

Next meeting is called for 18:00 CST, 12th of July, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 18:55 CST.

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(S) Gerald Feitler, Sectary / Treasurer