

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

BY CONFERENCE CALL- 02 FEBRUARY 2012

Attending: J Gwynne, President - Yes
G. Feitler, Secretary / Treasurer - Yes
R. Fritz, Immediate Past President - Yes
R. Kramer, Reunion and Paver Chair - Yes

Mr. Gwynne called the meeting to order at 18:00 CST

Mr. Gwynne has asked Mr. Robert Kramer, Chair of the 2012 Regular Reunion Committee, to join the Board meetings. To accommodate his schedule the Board has agreed to move the meetings to the first Tuesday of the month.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting of 10 January 2012 have been circulated by email to all the members of the Board. They are approved as written.

Committees:

Memorial Committee: See Aledo meeting notes in old business.

Paver Sales Committee: Will be ready to sell pavers at the site. They will check with the builders on dispersing surplus funding to the Association, if available.

2012 Reunion Committee: Mr. Kramer is proceeding with his investigation of how to get the reunion taped. Will get pricing on Saturday dinner and the Saturday dedication Plan to take orders then and there!

Membership Committee:

Mr. Vagi has contacted 2011 members (full and associate) for 2012 dues payments. Mr. Feitler suggests dropping non-current members in March from the Web site listing.

Roster Committee:

Mr. Vagi's report of the lost battalion is now on the Web site. . Mr. Vagi has also requested data on return newsletter mailings get to him for roster update data. The last mailings had the Secretary's name and address on them and he promptly notified Mr. Vagi of all returns and postal updates received.

Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Feitler has emailed the January fiscal report to the Board.
The Treasurer reported that as of 1/31/12 we had \$ 9, 717 in our bank accounts.

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Unfinished Business:

1. DVD's of speeches and recruiting film: Mr. Gwynne reports he his working on having all of the available media consolidated and perhaps made available through the quartermaster for distribution.
2. Special projects with the Aledo administration on the following ideas:
 - a. The Roosevelt tree
 - b. The remaining buildings of the Academy.
 - c. Sign – historical marker – on highway into Aledo to mark home of RMA.

Mr. Gwynne has contacted Mr. Jutkins and invited him to Aledo this spring (see new business) and try to cover these items also. There may be governmental help on the buildings if the city can write a proposal with our help. See note on grant in last newsletter. Mr. Gwynne will handle.

FEB Mr. Gwynne, Mr. Kramer and Mr. Jutkins are scheduled to meet with the people in Aledo in March and have set up an agenda covering the items in question.

Mr. Gwynne will send an agenda before the March meeting, including a list of possible invitees to the reunion dinner and Aledo presentations.

3. The Board discussed the possibility of revising the communication efforts and Mr. Gwynne will begin an investigation into the probabilities.

4. We need a new sales effort for pavers, using the newsletter and also contacting families of our fallen comrades to solicit pavers in memory. Mr. Kramer who has agreed to chair the project and be the sole contact with the Aledo people and Mr. Vagi who has agree to spearhead the project to contact the families of those on our TAPS listing. .

5. We need to coordinate election advisories with Mel Bogus, Mr. Feitler will work with him on the advisories, proxies and the by-law amendments that need to be circulated (primarily on the Web Site).

FEB Mr. Feitler has spoken to Mr. Bogus, who has agreed to head the Election Committee. The correspondence to the members with regard to the election and the other items to be brought before the Association at the Regular meeting in August will be prepared and distributed on a timely basis. Mr. Feitler is projecting the following schedule for the correspondence:

June 11 – notice of election and other business mailed to non-email members. Notice posted on the web site with slate of officers, by-law amendments and other business to come before the Regular meeting.

June 15 – email notice of election and other business to members.

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June 29 – last date for requests for proxies to be received by Secretary who will mail them as received.

August 10 – last date for Secretary to receive proxies by mail.

August 19 – meeting to be held. .

6. Newsletter to go to everybody via mail. We will have one page as a Reunion announcement with the registration form on the back side. The size and number of pages will be determined by projected costs. Mr. Fritz and Mr. Feitler will check costs of printing. The Board agreed that all newsletters are to be posted on the web site.

FEB: Mr. Fritz has quote which we will use, print in black and white to save money. The newsletter will go out this week. Mr. Fritz will complete the task.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Kramer has DVD of speech at the Memorial Dedication last November, we can get copies and sell them, asking for direction from the Board to respond at the March meeting.

Next meeting is called for 18:00 CDT, 6 March, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 18:50 CDT.