**SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 TCA AOG Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: September 19, 2023

Time: 1735 – 1845

Location: Everett McClay VFW Post 1296 (Bloomington)

Meeting called by: Curt Brown

Type of meeting: TCA AOG open board meeting

Meeting facilitator: Curt Brown, President

List of attendees: Curt Brown, Tom Wilson, Rick Knoll, Skip Wipson, Terry Flower, Denny Sultany, Tony Rodriguez, Pete Swanson, Kim Newman

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION**

**Rules of order**

1. Pledge of Allegiance – accomplished
2. Quorum of Directors – established
3. Introductions – Kim Newman ‘71, an original USAFA Hockey recruit attended the meeting and is looking for temporary loan of a parade uniform to display at Xcel Energy Center.
4. August 15, 2023 Meeting minutes – M/S – approved unanimously
5. Current / New Business
6. Upcoming Events:
   1. River Cruise cancellation – failed to reach minimum headcount of 30. In the future we need to improve marketing by: 1) Send earlier invites; 2) Send Save the Date email; 3) Attend Parents’ Club meeting for personal solicitation; and 4) Promote discount for early registration
   2. Bourbon tasting – Postponed until next year
   3. Veterans Appreciation Day – Dinner possibly Nov 11? Or push to 2024?
   4. Scholarship Idea – TCA-AOG scholarships for ~$250 per person; Terry to come up with criteria
   5. Wreaths Across America – Rick proposed supporting   
      **Motion 1: TCA-AOG will support “Wreaths Across America” for $250 M/S Swanson/Wipson**
   6. Speaker – Terry suggests inviting Jim Johns to speak to the TCA community at special event; date and venue TBD; Jim is a noted expert on the Doolittle Raid
   7. Flowers for C4C Isaac Anderson’s father – we were informed by Anna Holter about his passing and sent sent flowers and a signed card
   8. Outstanding Leadership and Service Award – Jason Van Overbeke recommended for the award. He also recently received local recognition for Distinguished Non-Profit Leader in the Twin Cities.
   9. Other - Holbrook Farms Retreat (<https://www.holbrookfarmsmn.com>) – Fund raiser September 16th ; we received a nice Thank You note for the $1000 donation
7. Treasurer’s report (Knoll):
   1. Checking account $3,798.76
   2. Savings account $12,085.65
8. Old business
9. Challenger Learning Center – trying to team up with a junior college. Made some progress on that.
10. Facebook/Website Status (Hockman) - Each club member should review current content; ***OVERDUE: TCA Board Members to update their profiles and send to Bob ASAP***
11. Education Website – Terry – no update
12. ALO Program (report by Swanson; Zarembo absent) – no update
13. Young Grad engagement – no update
14. Parents Club – May 18th 2024 proposed Heritage Dinner (from Andrea); note that this date conflicts with the Duluth Airshow
15. Newsletter: Please notify Tom of any suggested articles.

**Next Meeting**:

Location: VFW/Amer. Legion Post at 311 W. 84th St., Bloomington, MN. (Between Nicollet & Lyndale) Date: October 17th, 2023

Time: Social hour at 1700, meeting commences at 1730

Meeting adjourned 1845 M/S, approved unanimously