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

Date: December 19, 2023

Time: 1730 – 1853

Location: Fred Babcock VFW, 6715 Lake Shore Dr, Richfield, MN, 55423

Meeting called by: Chapter President Curt Brown

Type of meeting: TCA AOG Open Board Meeting

Meeting facilitator: Curt Brown, TCA AOG President

List of attendees: Curt Brown, Tom Wilson, Rick Knoll, Terry Flower, Denny Sultany Mike Riess, Tony Rodriguez, Pete Swanson, Edward Wipson

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION**

**Rules of order**

1. Pledge of Allegiance – accomplished

2. Quorum of Directors – established

3. Introductions – No new introductions

4. November 21, 2023 Meeting minutes – M/S – approved unanimously

5. Current / New Business

a. Upcoming Events:

i. Scholarship — Anonymous donor provided $500; Terry to provide an update next month

ii. Speaker Series – Jim Johns spoke on December 7th about his personal experiences at Pearl Harbor during the 1941 attack. TCA-AOG sponsored the event; 15 attendees. Question for the board: Would we want to consider asking Jim to present on the Doolittle Raid? Terry to follow up.

iii. Heritage Dinner – coordinating with Parents’ Club (Andrea); proposed speaker is Gen (ret) Chilton — no update since last meeting.

iv. Distinguished Chapter nomination (Jason) — no update since last meeting.

v. Intercollegiate Hockey Series proposal – Tom is trying to get a “home/home” series with USAFA and St. Thomas. He sent an email to the St. Thomas AD (hockey coach) and will follow up.

vi. National AOG portal — the “Long Blue Line” app is up and running. Curt created a TCA page for the national portal.

vii. Social Committee – Rick volunteered to the Chair the committee. Tony will be assistant chair. First event will be Saturday, January 27th, a Scotch tasting hosted by Terry and Margaret Flower; Tony is coordinating a Evite for the event; cost will be $30 per person/$50 per couple.

viii. Other — motion for TCA to donate $200 to the Mike Ramirez memorial fund (M/S by Rick and Tom). Tom also motioned for TCA to donate to the MN Military Appreciation Fund (http://thankmntroops.org). Motion tabled until January.

1. Treasurer’s report (Knoll):
   1. Checking account $3,048.26
   2. Savings account $12,121.38
   3. Investment in Wreaths Across America? M/S by Denny/Terry
   4. Rick will transfer $1000 to the Sabre Society before 12/31
   5. Rick investigating changing bank to one with better service and more convenient.

6. Old business

1. Challenger Learning Center – (Terry) — no update.
2. Facebook/Website Status (Bob) - Email update, Facebook and website traffic is unchanged; ***OVERDUE: TCA Board Members to update their profiles and send to Bob ASAP***
3. Education Website – Terry – no update
4. ALO Program (report by Pete; Ed absent) – busy time of the application season; no update
5. Young Grad engagement – no update
6. Parents Club – no update
7. Newsletter: Tom is ready to publish.

7. Additional New Business brought to Board — Rick reviewed performance issues around current Secretary (Wipson). Executive committee concurred. Motion to create new role of Assistant Secretary to be filled by Mike Riess (M/S Rick/Tom)

**Next Meeting**:

Location: Fred Babcock VFW, 6715 Lake Shore Dr, Richfield, MN, 55423

Date: January 16th, 2024

Time: Social hour at 1700, meeting commences at 1730

Meeting adjourned 1853 M/S, approved unanimously