

## 20 FEBRUARY 2024 TCA AOG Board Meeting Minutes

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

Meeting chaired by: Chapter President Emeritus, Tom Wilson

Type of meeting: TCA AOG Open Board Meeting

List of attendees: Curt Brown (Phone), Tom Wilson, Rick Knoll, Denny Sultany, Jason VanOverbeke, Dave Reiner, Mike Riess, Terry Flower and Zach Turcotte.

### SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

1. Pledge of Allegiance – accomplished
2. Quorum of Directors – established
3. Introductions – N/A
4. January 16, 2024 Meeting minutes: approved unanimously.
5. Current / New Business

- a. Upcoming Events:

- i. Scholarship — Discussion occurred with the result that a Sub-committee of Curt, Terry, Jason and Tom will meet and establish ground rules, application process, and final selection of the recipients. These will be presented to the Board members ASAP for approval and to publish same to the membership.

- ii. Speaker Series – Jim Johns to speak on Doolittle Raid, April 18, at 11:00 at Richfield VFW. Posted on the TCA website with sign up. Board agreed to try and have speakers on a quarterly basis. Tom has 2 additional speakers in mind and will contact each to see if they are willing to speak at future luncheons. In addition, Tony Rodriguez has suggested producing a proposed annual monthly schedule of events. The Board reviewed this and will finalize at the March meeting.

- iii. Heritage Dinner – Denny said plans are in place and the next meeting with the Parents Club reps will be held on Saturday, 24 Feb. Denny and Rick will represent our Chapter. **MORE GRAD VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP SETTING UP THE EVENT.** If you can assist, please contact either

Denny or Rick. Curt is working with the speaker to arrange transportation, lodging, etc.

v. Distinguished Chapter nomination (Jason) — submitted 12/21/23. Jason discussed the requirements being considered by the National AOG for future determinations of Distinguished Chapters. No action is required by us until the new ground rules are sent to us for our comments, changes, etc.

vi. Scotch Tasting Recap: Terry to receive pictures from Curt and will also write an article for the Spring Newsletter. Rick to send a check to Terry for \$465.00 to cover the expenses of the event.

vii. Parents Club request for a \$1,000.00 donation: Discussion tabled until after the up-coming meeting on Feb 24<sup>th</sup> with the Parents Club regarding the Heritage Dinner.

viii. Social Committee: Information about and reminders of all events must be sent out to the membership on a more frequent basis. We continually try to increase participation at all events and more emails is one way to remind everyone.

viii. Tom reminded everyone that if any member wishes to become an officer or Board member, elections are coming up in the next couple of months. An email from Curt will be published soon to explain the application process, etc.

ix. Tom also brought up that Curt Brown has been elected to the Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame, Class of 2024. The Inductee Banquet will be held on 20 April at the Mystic Lake Center. Sign up information will be on the website within the next week or so.

b. Treasurer's report (Knoll):

i. Checking account \$1,131.26

ii. Savings account \$12,142.27.

## 6. Old business

a. Challenger Learning Center – (Terry) — no update.

b. Facebook/Website Status (Bob) - no update.

c. Education Website (Terry) – no update

- d. ALO Program (report by Pete; Ed absent) – Tom requests an article for the Spring Newsletter.
- e. Young Grad engagement (Pete) – awaiting scholarship information.
- f. Parents Club – no update.
- g. Newsletter: Tom planning publication mid-March or asap thereafter.

**Next Meeting:**

Location: Fred Babcock VFW, Post 5555; 6715 Lake Shore Dr, Richfield, MN, 55423

Date: 19 March 2024. Time: Social hour at 1700, meeting commences at 1730

Meeting adjourned at 1838.