

**Re-Enactors of the American Civil War
Board of Directors Meeting
January 9, 2010
M & M Ranch House, Red Bluff, California**

MINUTES

I. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order 1007

Board Members Present

President – Craig Poundstone

Vice President – Don “Pappy” Walton

Treasurer- Sheila Kuck

Secretary – Jeanette Rodriguez

Public Relations- Galen Scott

Educational Representative- Donna Walton

Confederate Brigade Commander-J. Micheal Rodriguez

Union Brigade Commander- Mark Richardson

Noncombatant Corp Commander- Janice Neikirk

General Members Present

Lisa Leeing

II. Introduction and Announcements

A. Rules of Engagement

Each Board Member will have 5 minutes in which to present their report to the Board.

III. Executive Session (closed to guests and general members)

Closed session to decide new Secretary

IV. Approval of Minutes

Mike makes a motion to accept the November 14, 2009 minutes. Mark seconds the motion. With the following corrections: Correcting Janice’s last name and the misspelled words.

9- Ayes 0- Nays: Motion Passed

V. Treasurer’s Report

Sheila is excited about QuickBooks for non profits. Quicken allows to makes several reports. (They were passed around for everyone to see). All moneys are in for 2009 except 434.59 for Fortuna. Sheila will have budget by the end of February.

Working with the IRS on the E-files. 2008 did not get filed. 2009 is on board to be filed.

Disclaimer for the minutes.

Statement: Because I work with 501c3s, non-profits, businesses and organizational boards, I wanted to let the board know that while I was expressing my opinions regarding RACW matters, I did not want them to take the information as a professional recommendation.

Collected all original receipts for reimbursements for all money spent. Pyrotechnics need original invoices. Members can get something for there taxes and the RACW is obligated to provide that.

Checking account balance is: 5419. 28

Board needs to start a reserve preserves corporation by doing this 50% of annual budget reserved every 3 years letting the board why or why not there all money is public money.

Craig made the motion to hold early rebate money until it can be reviewed. Mike R. seconded the motion.

9- Ayes 0- Nays: Motion Passed

Jeanette will get new forms on web. Brigade commanders need signature on file. All forms must be filled out completely and signing members must have signature on file.

New officers must right letters accepting the new rank.

Secretary will back treasurer. We need to do at large audit every year, maybe needing adding a new procedure to the Bylaws later on down the road. Annual report could be added to the web site. Secretary of State wants the website to check published annual reports.

VI. Secretary's Report

No Secretary Report

VII. Board Members Report

A. Vice President

Tactical is going to be 19, 20 & 21 of March at Shasta College. If rained out it will be the following weekend,

\$3 for kids at school days Happy Valley will be May 21-23

B. Public Relations Representative

Talked about obtaining online advertising rates in the Civil War Courier paper. Maybe adding our events to the paper. Rick Barrum created all posters for events. Maybe having a group of people for a organizing committee to design our own posters. We are going to let the old website expire and let Go Daddy pick it up. Sheila makes the motion to let Jeanette capture the old web site domain. Mark seconded the motion.

9-Ayes 0-Nays: Motion Passed

C. Education Representative

Invitations to schools for the Tactical and Dog Island have been sent out. If any body has personal contacts to some schools please send them to Donna.

D. Noncombatant Corp Commander

Ball will have live band this year. Civvies will be having there Tactical in Mineral this year.

E. Confederate Brigade Commander

We have the same numbers for CSA as we did last year. Oregon dismounted Cavalry possibly coming down.

F. Union Brigade Commander

Nothing much to report. Numbers will probably remain the same. 20 rifles at the Day of the Soldier. 4-5 Mounted Cavalry.

G. President

PACWR has new schedule up. They have no board meeting set at this time.

Proposed: If you will be going to any P.A.C.W.R. events you need to take the test and have it added to your card. Adding a link to PACWR on the website.

Proposed by Mike and seconded by Mark that Morning reports turned in daily. This was more a Brigade issue than a Board issue therefore no vote was needed.

Motion was made by Mike: Commencing with the 2010 season all RACW members shall pass with a 100% score the general RACW safety test and the specific R.A.C.W. safety test for their branch of service or any weapon in their use, or the general P.A.C.W.R. safety test and the specific PACWR safety test for their branch of service will be issued to those who request said test or foresee attending P.A.C.W.R. events. . Seconded by Mark. Clarification the vote states that you either take the R.A.C.W. General Safety test or the P.A.C.W.R. safety test not both.

8-Ayes 0-Nays 1-Abstained: Motion Passed

VIII. Consent Calendar

Ok'd Schedule

IX. Old Business

A. 2010 Event Calendar (R.A.C.W. Sponsored Events)

- 1. Winter Ball – February 6 – Veterans Memorial Hall, Red Bluff, CA**
- 2. R.A.C.W. Tactical – March 19, 20 & 21 – Shasta College, Redding, CA**
- 3. Red Bluff Civil War Days “Dog Island”–April 23, 24, & 25– Red Bluff, CA**
- 4. Happy Valley Civil War Days- May 21, 22 & 23- Happy Valley, CA**
- 5. Colusa Civil War Days – September 24, 25, & 26 – Colusa, CA**
- 6. Tuscan Ridge Civil War Days – October 22, 23 & 24 – Paradise, CA**

B. P.A.C.W.R. Schedule vs. R.A.C.W. Schedule

Looked over the P.A.C.W.R. schedule.

C. R.A.C.W. Secretary’s Role and Responsibilities

The Role is spelled out in the Bylaws

D. 2010 Medical Director

Safety Coordinators could be the Provost Marshals. Including Board of Directors. Having a list of EMT’s or First Responders on hand would be good.

E. 2010 Election Committee

Committee will remain the same as last year. Voting at events is still good. And if a member is not going to be at the last event they may request an absentee ballot. Secretary will continue to make the ballots.

F. Artillery Discussion

1. Change the Policies and Procedure caps for artillery.

- Small Whitworth cannon(s): "grand-fathered" ones 12 rounds times 2oz., times \$10.00 per pound.
- 6lb. Whitworth cannons: 10 rounds, times 6oz., times \$10.00 per pound.
- 3" smooth bore cannon(s): 10 rounds times 6oz., times \$10.00 per pound.
- 6lb. cannon(s) 3.57" bore: 9 rounds, times 10oz., times \$10.00 per pound.
- 12lb. Napoleon (4.62" bore): 7 rounds, times 1.5 lbs., time\$10.00 per pound.

2. Number of Artillery Pieces on the Battlefield

The number of Artillery on the field will be left up to the Brigade Commanders.

3. Visiting Artillery

Visiting Artillery will be the same. They will need to contact the Brigade Commanders 30 days prior to see if there will be enough room.

Addition: Craig made a motion to: Change to the Policies and Procedures Section 6 paragraph 1 and 1A to reflect:

Muzzle loading artillery pieces are to be manned by minimum four men, three who have been fully trained in the proper operation of the gun which they are manning.

A. All breach loading guns will be manned by three men at all times.

Mike seconded the motion

8-Ayes 1-Nayes: Motion Passed

G. Jack Eaves and Hardaway's Battery

Craig will let Jack know about P&P changes and that he is under Confederate Brigade commander. And also that he is in violation of rank and election procedures.

H. R.A.C.W. Recognized Re-enacting Organizations

They must safety test.

Sheila makes a motion to reinstate Cascade Civil War Society as a recognized club. Janice seconds the motion.

9-Ayes 0- Nays: Motion Passed

X. New Business

A. Interview and Selection of Interim R.A.C.W. Secretary

Was taken care of in closed session and Jeanette Rodriguez was selected.

B. Approve and Sign the 2010 Dog Island Contract

Janice made the motion to approve the Dog Island contract and have Craig sign it.

Donna W. seconded the motion.

9-Ayes 0-Nayes: Motion Passed

Mark made a motion to change the dates and location on the Shasta college contract and to have Craig sign it. Mike R. seconded the motion.

9-Ayes 0-Nayes: Motion Passed

C. Non payment issue for the 2009 Fortuna Event

We need to get 1549 from the Sunrise Rotary.

Sheila made the motion to authorize Craig to contact the Fortuna organizing committee to negotiate with them to get the 1549. Mike seconded the motion.

9-Ayes 0-Nayes: Motion Passed

D. Rebate of R.A.C.W. funds to the three Brigades for disbursement to units to further our living history mission.

Was discussed earlier in the meeting.

XI. Correspondence

No Correspondence

XII. Public Comments

No public comments

XIII. Board Discussion for the Good of the Order

No Discussion

XIV. Set Date, Time & Location for the Next Board of Directors Meeting

M&M Ranch House Red Bluff April 3, 2010 @ 11:00

XV. Adjournment

Adjourned @ 15:00