

## **MINUTES MEMBERS MEETING**

**13 April 2024**

We gathered at DI School at 0900. We were greeted with an informative presentation from MSgt Bentley, Chief Instructor. He pointed out that DI School was taking a more direct approach. The membership was very lively as usual.

The meeting was called to order at 0927.

The minutes from the last meeting were not read but a brief reflection of the meeting was given by Ken.

Ken gave the run down of the previous year's awards and donations. The Association continues to stay active and meet all obligations.

Old Business:

The rifle was donated and was presently being raffled. Rick Branch informed the members what comes with the rifle.

New Business:

Members were concerned about the length of the live Auction at the picnic. They recommended blocking off a certain amount of time.

The cruise book was mentioned and will be researched.

Getting the group photo sent out digitally.

Problems with our website.

Email photos from the reunion to be placed on the website.

Orientation like the Family Day Brief.

Members mentioned cutting the Friday breakfast and mustering at Headquarters at 0730

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Doing different things each morning.

Sunday breakfast moved to H&S Battalion Mess Hall; some people will not attend.

Getting younger members to join and attend.

Randy felt his recommendation for Guest of Honor was not heard when the board decided to go with SgtMaj Garcia.

John Beaty volunteered to take on recruiting younger members.

Elections:

Vice President, SgtMaj John Allen from 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion was nominated by Jim Moore and a host of seconds. He was unopposed and was elected VP.

Board of Directors,

Pete Ross, John Browne, and Randy Himes did not want to be considered for reelection. The following were nominated.

SgtMaj Dawson nominated by SSgt McPherson and 2d by LtCol Nash

Brenda Moore was nominated by John Beaty and 2d by Walter Lamb.

Both spots being open they were elected.

Trustees,

John Beaty was nominated by Randy Himes 2d by Ric VanNorton

Jim Sharp was nominated by Brenda Moore 2d by Walter Lamb

Both were needed so they were both elected.

Breakfast Refund,

Randy wanted to know if the difference between the amount charged, and the actual amount would be refunded. The money could have been refunded. One member recommended making it a donation.

Having breakfast at 1000 was suggested but most agreed that would be too late with people getting on the road.

Getting aboard the Depot is a continuing problem.

Financial Report as of 13 April 2024:

\$20,491.20 Checking

\$ 9,652.49 Savings

\$30,143.69 Total

Motion to accept as read Jack Pomeroy 2d By Brenda Moore. Financial report was accepted.

Motion made to make Melanie Allen an honorary member was made by Randy Himes 2d by John Beaty. The motion carried unanimously.

Finally, the Host Hotel, there seem to be more complaints every year. We have several people checking to see if we can move next year.

Ric VanNorton would like to see more advertisements for the Hospitality Room.

Motion to Adjourn was made by John Beaty 2d by Pete Ross everyone was in favor and we adjourned at 1040.