

**129<sup>th</sup> Rescue Wing  
ALUMNI & HERITAGE ASSOCIATION  
Board of Directors**

**Board Minutes:** April 22, 1999

Members Present: Jay Craddock, Pat Darrin, Don Delucchi, Ken Moore, John Ruppel Col. Steve Speer, 129<sup>th</sup> RQW/CC.

Members Absent: Ed Boddington, SMS Heidi Black 129<sup>th</sup> RQW Unit Representative, MSG Mary Mattox, alternate 129<sup>th</sup> RQW Unit Representative.

President Ken Moore opened the meeting and asked approval of the mailed minutes. On a motion by Jay Craddock and seconded by Pat Darrin the minutes were approved as mailed.

**Communications:**

- Lt. Col Davis: - Speaker 2000 Old-timers Lunch  
Lt. Col Davis submitted a letter volunteering to speak at the Association's 2000 Old-timers lunch. Col Davis is a former 129<sup>th</sup> member, has served as an Air America Pilot in Vet Nam and recently published a book about his experiences. The Secretary is directed to inform Col Davis that the Board is pleased to accept the offer.
- Lt. Col Rodekohr: Scholarship Donation  
Lt. Col Rodekohr provided a \$200 contribution to be used in support of the Association 2000 scholarship program. The Secretary is directed to communicate the Boards appreciation.

**Sub Committee Reports:**

- Association Incorporation: - John Ruppel  
John Ruppel reported General Hall has completed the Incorporation package review. A meeting has been scheduled with General Hall to review the initial draft changes. The Board will be provided with a draft copy of the revised package. Directors will have approximately three weeks to submit questions or recommended changes. This will insure sufficient time for Gen. Hall's final review and documentation preparation. A July meeting will be scheduled to adopt the Incorporation package and conduct the initial Board meeting.

- Community Relations: - Jay Craddock  
Jay Craddock reported that he withdrew from participation in the Moffett Air Show because of poor committee communications. Additionally, Jay expressed concerns about the Air Show organization and planning.

Ken Moore informed the Board that the Palo Alto Lodge had selected Jay Craddock as Elk of the year

- Heritage Committee: - Jay Craddock  
Jay Craddock reported the Commanders Senior NCO gallery backdrop had been installed. The next task was to finish securing the various individual pictures and mounting the pictures.
- Membership Committee: - Ed Boddington  
Ed Boddington was not present. John Ruppel reported the Association now had 197 members. There are about forty individuals who have not paid their 1999 dues.
- Newsletter Committee: - Pat Darrin  
Pat Darrin did submit a report. Ken Moore's proposed Newsletter revision was discussed under New Business
- Phone Notification Roster: - Don Delucchi  
Don Delucchi reported the Captains were still contacting members to validate the Notifications Roster. He provided the Secretary with a correction list from SMS Joe Preciado.

#### **Old Business:**

- Old-timers Lunch – Jay Craddock  
Jay Craddock reported 120 members and guests attended the Old-timers Lunch. This was the best recent attendance. Col Haas's talk was well received and several Directors indicated receiving positive comments.

Pat Darrin commended Col. Speer for the Wing's Old-timers Lunch participation.

Col. Speer requested the Board consider holding the next year's Old-timers lunch in the Moffett vicinity, which would facilitate Wing participation. After discussion Board consensus was to consider the request. Jay Craddock will explore possible options and report a recommendation.

Old-timers Lunch – Jay Craddock (continued)

John Ruppel inquired on the Old-timer Lunch jacket order status. Pat Darrin replied that he had not yet ordered the jacket because of personal commitments. There followed a discussion on the Association jacket program. Don Delucchi, the new Jacket Program chairperson, will schedule a meeting within the next few days with Pat Darrin to facilitate securing the jackets. Pat Darrin provided the Secretary-Treasurer the \$327 jacket deposits.

- Edwards AFB Museum: - John Ruppel.  
Pat Darrin provided the Board with NASA Dryden tour information brochure. Col. Speer indicated the pending MC-130 conversion would necessitate delaying the trip until November. Additionally, Col. Speer informed the Board that the current Onizuka Commander was transferring to Edwards AFB and would be a future resource in planning a visit.
- Recognition Certificate - Jay Craddock – Pat Darrin  
Pat Darrin requested the item be removed from the Agenda. Ken Moore directed the Secretary- Treasurer to remove the Recognition Certificate from the Agenda.
- 129<sup>th</sup> RQW Web Page – John Ruppel [www.calguard.ca.gov/129rqw](http://www.calguard.ca.gov/129rqw).  
John Ruppel reported Lt. Col Martini is in the process of relocating his family. He is finishing updating the web page changes. He anticipates having the changes in effect by late August.

#### **New Business:**

- Revised Newsletter Program – Ken Moore:  
Ken Moore opened the discussion soliciting Director comments regarding the revised Newsletter format that was supplied with Agenda. The revised Newsletter was a reformat of the March issue and was prepared by Lynda Taft-Fawcett. Ken reported that Lyle Crater, a former Wing Photo Lab supervisor had agreed to handle the Newsletter photographs and graphics utilizing the Wing facilities. Ms. Taft-Fawcett has agreed to continue preparing the basic Newsletter. Ken also reported that the new format would facilitate electronic transfer to Kinko's as well as allowing the Newsletter to be placed on the Alumni web page. Eventually, the Board could consider emailing the Newsletter to interested members. The estimated cost is approximately 23 cents per copy. Currently, the Newsletter cost between 16 and 19 cents a copy.

Revised Newsletter Program – Ken Moore: (continued)

Ken recommends the Board adopt the new Newsletter format and accept Ms Taft-Fawcett and Lyle Crater's offer to jointly prepare the Newsletter. Ken will supervise the Newsletter's preparation. John Ruppel will serve on an interim basis as the Board's email mailbox for Newsletter items.

Don Delucchi moves adoption of the recommendation; seconded by Jay Craddock and unanimously adopted.

- Proposed Board Policy Jacket Program – Pat Darrin:  
Ken Moore suggested deferring discussion on the proposed policy to allow the Directors to further study Pat Darrin's proposal.
- 1999 Old-timers Income and Expense Statement – John Ruppel:  
The Board reviewed the Statement mailed with the Agenda. Jay Craddock reported the Statement Lunch Income should be increased \$30 and he provided the Secretary-Treasurer with a check. Jay Craddock moved approval of the revised Statement, seconded by John Ruppel and unanimously adopted.

Jay Craddock reported the Old-timers lunch raffle raised \$250. Jay moves that \$200 be donated to the 129<sup>th</sup> RQW Family Support Program and the balance retained to defray the cost of next year's raffle picture frames. Seconded by John Ruppel and unanimously adopted.

- Financial Report:  
The Board reviewed the Financial Report mailed with the Agenda. Ken Moore reported on the Washington Mutual Bank Checking Account Statement. Don Delucchi moved the Financial Report and Washington Mutual Bank Checking Account reconciliation be approved. Seconded by Jay Craddock and unanimously adopted.

The Board adjourned at 11:25 AM

**Meeting Notice:** The Next Board meeting is scheduled for April 15, 1999 at 10:30 AM in the 129<sup>th</sup> RQW Wing Commander Conference Room.

cc: MG Hall  
BG Santos  
Ltc Martini  
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**AGENDA BUSINESS MEETING**

July 15, 1999

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of April 22, 1999
- III. Communications: None
- IV. Subcommittee Reports:
- Association Incorporation: - John Ruppel
  - Community Relations: - Jay Craddock
  - Heritage Committee: - Jay Craddock
  - Newsletter: - Ken Moore
  - Membership: - Ed Boddington
  - Phone Pyramid - Don Delucchi
- V. Old Business:
- Edwards Museum Visit: - John Ruppel  
Continued until MC-130 conversion completed
  - Jacket Program – Don Delucchi
  - Consider Board Policy Jacket Program – Pat Darrin  
Previously tabled – continue to August Board Meeting
  - 129<sup>th</sup> RQW Web Page - John Ruppel  
[www.calguard.ca.gov/129rqw](http://www.calguard.ca.gov/129rqw).
- VI. New Business:
- Alumni Day Program – Ken Moore  
Registration Status  
Finalize Lunch Menu  
Report Alumni Day Caps – Don Delucchi  
Alumni Day Program – Col Speer  
Golf Tournament Registration Status – Tom Brooks
  - Financial Report - Ken Moore & John Ruppel  
Report Provided with Agenda
- VII. Adjourn:

**Meeting Notice:** The Next Board meeting is scheduled for August 19, 1999 at 10:30 AM in the 129<sup>th</sup> Rescue Wing Commander's Conference Room.