

129th ALUMNI & HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors

Board Minutes: Business Meeting December 10, 2008

Members Present: Ed Boddington: Jay Craddock, Steve James, Lillian Ramos, John Ruppel, Doug Sale, and Ken Moore.

Members Absent: Dave Russell, and CMSgt Stuart Loux 129TH RQW Board Advisor.

Approval of Minutes: President John Ruppel opened the meeting and asked approval of the mailed minutes for the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2008. On a motion by Steve James seconded by Doug Sale the minutes were approved.

Communications: None.

Sub Committee Reports:

- Community Relations: - Jay Craddock
Annually the Palo Alto Elks provides VA Hospital patients with a Christmas Packages. The Elk's are requesting a \$150 donation. After discussion, Doug Sale moved the Association provide \$150; seconded by Steve James and unanimously adopted.

Jay Craddock briefed the Board on the Palo Alto VA Hospital Chaplin's Office request for assistance in purchasing a ticket for a patient's wife. The VA provided a one-way ticket and the spouse needs to return to Anchorage, Alaska. The Chaplin's Office intends to seek reimbursement and if successful will return the funds. Steve James moved the Association provide \$100; seconded by Lillian Ramos and unanimously adopted.
- Heritage Committee: – John Ruppel
No report was presented.
- Newsletter Committee: - John Ruppel
John Ruppel reported the December Newsletter was published December 8. The issue contained a delinquency notice as a reminder to members whose 2007 dues were not paid. The February issue will contain information on the Tuesday March 24th Old-timers lunch and the Board election ballot.

- **Membership Committee:** - Ed Boddington
Ed Boddington reported 2007 annual dues have been received from all but four members. Ed requested that Patrick Collins and Charles Proefrock be granted a dues waiver because of hardship. Doug Sale moved the waivers be granted; seconded by Ed Boddington and unanimously approved
- **Scholarship Program:** – Cindy Kepple - Ed Boddington
Cindy Kepple was not present. Ed Boddington reported the Scholarship Committee had received six applications and was in the process of reviewing the submittals. The Committee's recommendation will be presented at the January 14, 2009 Board meeting.
- **129th RQW Web Page:** – Steve James.
Steve James reported Lynda Fawcett was undertaking a web page redesign because of software problems and to facilitate implementation of several features provided by the new web page provider. The change is estimated to require about three months but will not affect the notification system or OTN electronic distribution.

Old Business:

- **Dondi's Mercantile Store:** – Lilliana Ramos
Lilliana Ramos reported the Mercantile Store restocking was complete. The Board continued the discussion from the September 10, 2008 regarding a replacement jacket. After discussion Board consensus was to have the two final jacket versions available at the OTL for member's selection.

New Business:

- **Deployment Bag Project:** - John Ruppel
Lilliana Ramos circulated a sample bag for the Board's inspection. Lynda Fawcett prepared 200 bags which featured a holiday theme. The bags were delivered October 27th.
- **2009 Directors Election Procedures** – John Ruppel
The 2009 Directors Election Procedures were distributed. The four Association Directors positions are scheduled for election. The nomination period commences with the December Newsletter publication and concludes January 17, 2009. Election ballots will be mailed with the February Newsletter and must be postmarked no later than March 7, 2009. Steve James moved approval of the 2009 Director Election Procedures; seconded by Ed Boddington and unanimously adopted.

2009 Directors Election Procedures – (Continued)

President John Ruppel, in accordance with the election procedures, appointed an Election Committee composed of Vice President Steve James, Chairperson, Secretary Treasurer Dave Russell, member, James Rommelfanger, member and Ms. Lynda Fawcett Committee secretary.

- 2009 Old-timers Lunch March 24, 2009 – Jay Craddock
Jay Craddock reported the 2009 Old-timers lunch will be held Tuesday March 24, 2009 at the Castro Valley Moose Lodge. The standard menu will be provided for \$15 per person. Jay is working on a lunch speaker. The February Newsletter will contain luncheon details and directions.
- Financial Report: - John Ruppel – Dave Russell
The Board reviewed the Financial Report mailed with the Agenda. John Ruppel reported on the Washington Mutual Bank Account Statement. Doug Sale moved the Financial Report and Washington Mutual Bank Checking Account reconciliation be approved. Seconded by Steve James and unanimously adopted.

Board Meeting Schedule: - John Ruppel

John Ruppel scheduled the next Board meeting for January 14, 2009.

The Board adjourned at 11:30

Meeting Notice: The Next Board meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2009 at 1030 in the 129TH Wing Commanders Conference Room.

cc: MG Hall
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AGENDA BUSINESS MEETING
January 14, 2009

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of December 10, 2008
- III. Communications: None
- IV. Subcommittee Reports:
- Heritage Committee – John Ruppel
 - Community Relations - Jay Craddock
 - Newsletter – John Ruppel
 - Membership - Ed Boddington
 - Scholarship Program – Ed Boddington - Cindy Kepple
Scholarship 2008 Financial Statement*
Review Scholarship Committee 2008 Recommendation
 - 129th RQW Web page – Steve James
- V. Old Business:
- Mercantile Store – Liliana Ramos
 - 2009 Old-timers Lunch March 24, 2009 – Jay Craddock
- VI. New Business:
- Approve 2008 Financial Statement* – John Ruppel
 - Approve 2009 Association Budget* – John Ruppel
 - Approve 2009 Annual Dues – John Ruppel
 - Financial Report* - Dave Russell - John Ruppel
*Report Provided with Agenda
- VII. Adjourn:

Meeting Notice: The Next Board meeting is scheduled for 10:30 AM, in the 129th Wing Commanders Conference Room on February 19, 2009.