

Title: Board Meeting Agenda Time / Date: January 21, 2016 @ 1800 Location: 2865 Brewhouse 2865 Veterans Memorial Parkway St. Charles, MO 63303

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## AGENDA

- Next major event: Casual Meet & Greet
- Memorial Day

**Discussion Topics:** 

- 1. Treasury report: Ted is POC
  - Treasury in good shape
  - Membership drive for additional annual dues continues
  - Chapter blast to be sent out as a reminder to pay / also can collect @ Meet & Greet

2. Charity for 2015-2016: Taking suggestions. Otherwise, due to the success of the GSLHF efforts – I'm sure they'd be overwhelmed with a repeat for 2016! Thoughts?

- The Greater St. Louis Honor Flight was voted again to be our recipient for 2016!
- They have been notified of our intentions.
- 3. Name Tags: Can we just drop this topic & bring stick-on's to periodic events?
  - Going with stick-ons for future gatherings!
  - If members have the "good" name tags, feel free to wear them at any / all events.
  - This will be the last time name tags are discussed.
- 4. Board & Chapter 2016 schedule (quick hits):
  - Memorial Day Mike Dunham will still assist; need other Chapter / Board Member to coordinate. 2016 is our year to host so please don't be shy. Need guest speaker, etc.
  - Picnic previously discussed to keep it in July @ Tilles. Josh Gann volunteered to head the effort. Better to start planning early we need to place the deposit w/ the Park to secure our pavilion.
    - 1. Skow Shelter @ Tilles reserved
    - 2. Date set for Saturday, 7/9/16
    - 3. Gary to update website
    - 4. Chapter Blast will be sent out @ later date



- Picnic / Pool Party? If not held @ a local park, somebody opens up their house (that has a pool) to the Chapter & we go that route? Informal (aka another chance to Meet & Greet).
  - 1. Keeping it as a picnic
  - 2. Nobody has connections for house / pool party
- Float Trip? If somebody wants to spearhead, we can broadcast to the Chapter.
  - 1. No board interest (didn't want kids to see other non-USNA adults acting inappropriately, etc.) plus other (logistic) reasons.
  - 2. Not researching further @ this time.
- STL FC (soccer) invited us down for a "Veteran's" or "Alumni" night date & all details TBD (esp. now that the entire complex was flooded a week ago). More TBD?
  - 1. Details to follow when STL FC follows-up.
- 5. Winter Meet & Greet vs. Dark Ages? Agreed Dave & Raese are POCs & will get the word out soon. Suggestions for location? Chapter treasury to fund an hour or 2 of the event (or say \$300 total?) and the rest on each attendee.
  - Board likes the idea! Focusing on Friday, 2/26/16, as date
  - Llewellyn's, Ballpark Village, 2865 Brewhouse (in that order discussed)
  - Josh Gann to approach Llewellyn's and report ASAP
  - Dave & Ted contacted BPV as alternate LZ and check availability (BPV is researching and will let us know).
  - Suggest inviting the Parents' Club, possibly GSLHF, etc.
  - Board decision to have a meet & greet vs. formal Dark Ages for 2016 (restated, there will be no "formal" Dark Ages Party for 2016).
- 6. Memorial Day: Mike again has the floor, what we need is a new Chapter POC (more recent grad) that is rooted in STL to (hopefully) take the reins & press on for foreseeable future. Suggestions for POC? We are also meeting w/ the other Chapters (USMA / USAFA) to get total buy-in from all Academies:
  - Want to maintain the electronic file of the program (Mike & Dave to research)
  - Dave to search the archives for other Memorial Day gouge
  - Dave has contacted Terry Councilor to see if Mr. Dierberg (from his church) will donate or otherwise discount the cost of the wreaths & ribbons (Terry replied, not sure if this is now an option, more to follow).
  - Dave to send email to Mike Dunham & other Academies to get most up to date / accurate version of program via electrons; then will save for future years (TBD @ time of these minutes).
  - Majority of program will remain year to year; then guest speaker info, etc. will be added as an insert (easier for printing, etc.).
  - Send Chapter email for volunteer to lead for next 5 or so years (Dave will send after announcing Meet & Greet gouge).
- 7. Picnic: now we need a volunteer... Josh Gann has stepped up!
  - Deposit / secure Skow Shelter (done)



- Food, Drink, Coolers (ice) Josh has the ball / others to assist
- Fans, radio, etc. Josh has lead / others to assist
- Dave has left-over plastic ware & misc. stuff (not much) but a start
- 8. Goody Locker: We have ample stock for door prizes thru picnic & possibly football season.
- 9. Overall Chapter Membership: \$20 / year.
  - "Meet & Greet" previously a success as 2ndary dues payment event.
  - A/N gave us approx. 40 Chapter dues renewals.
  - Still plenty more can / should pay. Dave to send Chapter blast w/ the request of payment directly to Ted K. yes / Good idea yes. (this will be a note in the Meet & Greet announcement).
  - Throw a reminder to Chapter that the annual dues pays for the picnic, funds our annual / charitable donation, pays for Memorial Day expenses, partially pays for Meet & Greet, etc.
- 10. Chapter Website: Updates / suggestions to Gary. Thanks for keeping current!!! (Gary POC)
  - No issues
- 11. Not planning on sending out a Chapter Annual Mailer (hard copy).
  - Not doing it! Going via email vs. hard copy
  - No cost / reaches over 1/2 of the Chapter
- 12. Army vs. Navy: Ted & Dave POCs. Thanks everybody for stepping up to assist! It was a GREAT time! We are meeting w/ BPV on 1/26/16 for after-action. I don't think anything needs changed & we can burn-in w/ our date for 2016 (12/10/16)! BPV will save the date for us!
  - Suggesting now to go back to BPV! Unanimous Board approval.
  - We will again invite Parents' Club, The Greater St. Louis Honor Flight, Marines (Toys for Tots), etc.
  - After-Action meeting w/ BPV management went well! They love our group and want to continue this relationship for years going forward. We have provided BPV the date (12/10/16) and will touch base with them throughout the year to ensure we are tracking for another successful gathering of both Alumni Groups as well as brainstorm on how to get the word out to other organizations that might enjoy stopping by BPV and seeing the amassed gang!
  - More to follow as year progresses
- 13. By-Laws: Dave is POC
  - Chapter will rewrite as needed
  - National has been contacted to provide guidelines and / or examples of "good" by-laws as gouge



14. Alibis?

- Major Football dates:
  - 1. USAFA: 10/1/16 @ Colorado Springs, CO (location TBD)
  - 2. N-D: 11/5/16 @ Jacksonville, FL (FYI, Board decided to NOT return to Felix's Pizza if that is where N-D chooses to go)
  - 3. A-N: 12/10/16 @ Baltimore, MD (BPV!)

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