

SPECTRE BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, June 4, 2019; 6PM Central



Planned Participants:

Bernie Frakes, President
Bill Allen, Vice President
Bill Patterson, Treasurer
Bill Walter, Historian
Ed Rodriguez, Quartermaster
PJ Cook, Web Developer
Jerry Michaud, Board Member
Ski Gonsowski, Board Member
Fred Taylor, Board Member
Duane Spencer, Board Member
Darren Vitalo, Board Member
Barry Gossman, Board Member; absent
Norm Evans, Board Member
Dick Vancil, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Bernie F conducted and chaired the meeting.

- Bernie called the meeting to order at 6PM Central Time. Bernie took roll and thanked the Spectre Association Board Members for their attendance. All board members were present, except as noted above.
- Bernie called for the reading of the previous meeting's minutes.

REPORTS:

- Dick V summarized the minutes from the May 2019 meeting for the attendees.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL:

Norm made a motion that the previous Board meeting minutes be accepted and approved as paraphrased, motion was seconded by Jerry. Vote was taken and the meeting minutes were approved and were authorized for PJ to post to the website.

Bernie asked for the Treasurer's Report.

2019 (YTD) Spectre Association Transactions							
	Sales Gross	Fees	S&H	Membership	Donations	FL Sales Tax	Net
Qtr-1	\$2,362.50	(\$81.68)	\$472.00	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,280.82
Qtr-2	\$2,306.50	(\$77.45)	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$130.00	\$0.00	\$2,229.05
Qtr-3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Qtr-4	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total:	\$4,669.00	(\$159.13)	\$932.00	\$225.00	\$130.00	\$0.00	\$4,509.87

- We made about \$18 less than last year – PayPal charged \$31.60.
- Both quarters were about the same,
- Some sales items are moving again.
- Ed has a special order in progress.
- Ed and Renee will be performing an inventory twice annually.
- Reunion shirt is in-work by Ed and others (more reporting to come).
- Vito wants to have Ed’s baby for the help with the table below ☺
- Norm moved and Fred seconded the motion to accept the QM report. Motion carried with no opposition.
- Bernie opened the floor for discussion.

DISCUSSION:

- Based on Vito’s analysis. For board meeting for discussion.

SPECTRE ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBER ELECTION TERM						
		Current	Vote Term	Vote Term	Vote Term	Vote Term
Seat #1	President	Bernie Frakes	2020			
Seat# 2	Vice President	Bill Allen			2022	
Seat# 3	Treasurer	Bill Patterson		2021		
Seat# 4	Board Member	Norman Evans	2020			

Seat# 5	Board Member	Jerry Michaud	2020			
Seat# 6	Board Member	Barry Gossman		2021		
Seat# 7	Board Member	Mike S (Vacant)		2021		
Seat# 8	Board Member	Frank Gronsowski			2022	
Seat# 9	Board Member	Darren Vitalo			2022	
Seat# 10	Board Member	Duane Spencer				2023
Seat# 11	Board Member	Fred Taylor				2023

President and Vice President voting terms are 2 years apart for continuity.

- Note: Original Bylaws require replacement of no more than three board members per year.
- After discussion and board agreement, Bill A said that we would replace four (4) board positions in Oct 2019 to reestablish a base year. Those are: seats 1, 4, 5, and 6.
- Norm discussed sequence of events when/if an existing board member filled an open seat/another vacancy on the board.
- Norm suggested a nomination committee be established.
- Vito explained the Bylaw's process for establishing a nominating committee.
- **AFA SEA plaque draft approval**
- Bill W explained AFA SEA Plaque – recommended that we send all three versions of the draft plaque verbiage and let the AFA officials edit to final for our review and approval.
- Bernie will get in contact with the AFA Plaque POC and recommend an A-model in firing orbit profile (Acft 509?) for the plaque AC-130 depiction.
- **Reunion Events that are still open items**
- Bill P says that his speaker is moving, but still available – he will re-verify availability.
- Bill W recommends that we invite MG Heithold to be our guest speaker.
- Bill W said that the AF is building 37 J-Model Gunships.

- Bernie thinks that Friday, 11 Oct will be the best day for a tour of static display(s), simulator(s), and other storied squadron facilities.
- Bill W does this escort stuff all the time and he will need the security info three days early.
- Bill W recommends that we go to the 73rd or 4th SOS.
- Bill W further recommends that we get some reps from the squadrons to brief the attendees before visiting the static displays.
- Bernie moved the meeting to “open discussion”

OPEN DISCUSSION

- Norm wants to open the AC-130 acft on Hurlburt but it was not such a good idea (after discussion) because the displays are just shells.
- Bill P has Warrior Foundation Scholarship applications if anyone is interested. It was noted that we started the initial fund with donations totaling just under \$1M.
- The reunion bars are on-order and cost \$4.59 each – it was recommended that we bring the whole “Reunion Bar” issue up at the next Reunion Business Meeting.
- Bill P asked about the group’s thoughts about the combined reunion for the AC-130U decommissioning ceremony next Sept (2020) – another item for the next reunion business meeting.
- Vito asked about the Special Operations Warrior Foundation Scholarship – were individual or organization donations sought. It was determined that no vote was required and everyone was encouraged to participate in their own way.
- Fred T said that Ed R will check Pat’s notes/info to determine if he can help Fred send (USPS) notices to all of the “no-email capability Spectres” regarding the reunion dates and activities.
- Ed R advised the group that the Spirit 03 Memorial at the Pensacola Memorial Park was located on the entrance wall.
- Bill W’s Gunship “Book Project” is complete and is at the Pentagon for final review/edit/redaction.
- Vito asked if anyone has heard from the individual who contacted us regarding membership, no one has heard from him since the initial email contact.

- Duane will work on the Reunion Fishing Trip.
- Bill A has the golf tourney well in-hand (sign-ups are on-going).
- Bill P (again) ...He found someone to transfer the 16mm film that Pat left us (select Spectre sorties from 70-73) into a digital format – he will transfer 10 reels at a time and it will take about four weeks per collection. Bill P will add the final results to his Face Book posts.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- Bernie asked for a motion to adjourn. Norm E made the motion which was seconded by Fred T that the meeting be adjourned. There was a vote with no opposition. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:01PM Central Time.

Dick Vancil – Secretary