

November 7, 2006
VFW located on Carroll Street

Meeting called to order by President Pat Carpenter

Board Members present: Pat Carpenter, Larry Hickey, Roger Betterelli, Barry Gossman, Clyde Gowdy, Norm Evens, Glenn, Dick, Gus, Kim (by Cell), Mark Johnson

Old business:

Tax Exempt—Clyde Gowdy still working the issue

Quartermaster Supply status:

--There is a problem with storage, an idea was brought up to use plastic containers and put them into the 2x4-shelving units

- Need to get rid of two old desks to free up room in storage area.
- Larry Hickey accepted task

New Business:

Pat made an appointment of recorder to Mark Johnson

Suggestions/ideas for future Reunions:

- Idea introduced for embossing nametags for events (the use of logo's was one idea).
- Idea introduced to use an excel spreadsheet to show what members have paid for.
- Idea introduced to develop checklist
- Idea for women's shirts, Women like collars with artwork on front, men like to keep the designs on the back.
- (Gary Thompson) Checking into 50 Black Spectre Hats.
- Other ideas were suggested such as hooded sweats jackets.

Update of Phone/E-mail Listings:

Suggestion was made that this would be for primary board members and secondary information.

Kim—going to prototype the buy program on the web net site.

Pat—brought up that once web enabled there would be a need for someone to fill the orders fulltime.

Future Reunions:

Shirt recommended; Gunship Association shirt that has patches of all the gunship squadrons in some type of pattern.

Shirts for board members with board member written on the shirt to differentiate from just members of the association

(A motion was made and seconded and passed for the shirts and name tags. 10Y 1N)

Dick, Gus and Norm were given the task for coming up with the next reunion shirt

Suggestion was made to come up with a contact page on web site. Kim said she would look into making it members only and make it password protected. Will work with Trish, Web Master

Suggestion was made to maybe have a picnic. There was talk among the board members nothing resolved.

Suggestion was made by the president to see if members of the association might go to the squadrons on training days to have squadron members fine out a little more about the history of the weapons platform or to answer questions about where techniques came from that they still use today.

Suggestion was made to look into the ability to have some type of conference call system. Pat working problem

Kim (Big Project) will spearhead looking into the collection of veteran's history, personnel stories of gunship members to be included in the 20th Century Wars, Library of Congress (maybe included in the Next Reunion).

The next board meetings were announced for the first Tuesday for the next three months. December 5, 2006, January 9, 2007, and February 6, 2007.

The President accepted a motion to adjourn and it was seconded and passed at 1955hrs.