

SFA Chapter 55

10 Jan 09

Comstock Park, MI

Bill Schrader and Doug Sherd Hosts

1. Call meeting to order: 1320 Hrs

1.1 Opening Prayer Chaplain Bob Slivatz

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance President Dave Fetters

1.3 Membership *Ballet of the Green Beret*

1.4 Moment of silence to recognize the "Empty Chair" and members lost.

1.5 **Roll Call:** Dave Fetters, Mike Reyes, Richard Smith, Dewey LaGuire-Quinn, George Sternberg, Al Swan, Bill Schrader, Art Goatbe, Bob Storks, Steve Frazer, R. Don Bruce, Bob Slivatz, William Ewald (Elder) Doug Sherd

1.6 **Introductions:** No visitors

2. Reports:

2.1 Adjutant's Report:

- Posted on line
- Motion to Accept Bob Slivatz, Seconded Dewey LaGuire-Quinn. Approved unopposed by voice vote
- Request submission of photos with beret and blazer for web. To be taken after dinner for attendees.

2.2 Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Mike Reyes oral presentation

- Donated \$300 to Penrickton Center, motion to repeat Bob Slivatz, Seconded Dewey LaGuire-Quinn, Approved unopposed by voice vote.
- Motion to donate \$100 SF Museum, Bob Slivatz, Seconded Steve Frazer, approved unopposed by voice vote
- Received 4145 from SFAHQ from raffle sales
- Noted errors in roster received from SFAHQ
- Take under advisement use of excel for roster
- Motion to accept Treasurer's Report Bob Slivatz, Seconded Steve Frazer, approved unopposed by voice vote

2.3 Chaplain's Report:

- Bob White funeral attended by six members of Chapter 55, Dave Fetters, Mike Reyes, Bill Schrader, Steve Frazer Bob Slivatz, and Rich Smith. Schrader represented the chapter and spoke of Bob's association with Chapter 55, his devotion to SF, and selection to the Ohio Military Hall of Fame, and his participation in re-establishing Chapter 45

2.4 Vice-President's Report: Not Present

- Bob Storks the new VP

2.5 President's Report:

- Swearing in of Bob Storks as Chapter 55 Vice President by Dave Fetters, President
- SFA Constitution & Articles of Incorporation results presented (info online at SFAHQ website, will post on Chapter 55 website.
- Membership roster software – Dave Fetters presented reasons for chapter 55 to purchase database software (Filemaker). Dewey LaGuire-Quinn motion to purchase copies for President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Michael F. May Scholarship coordinator, seconded Bob Slivatz. Motion accepted unopposed by voice vote, Rich Smith directed to make purchase.

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- Noted that SFAHQ is preparing a report on the chapter 57 suspension and the Roy White issue.
- SFA President Ron McCann requested IRS to audit SFAHQ financial records.
- Read letter from Charles Gray regarding the negative effect of the internal discord on donations
- SF capability DVD, Rich Smith will reproduce DVD for distribution. Motion by Dewey LaGuire-Quinn to accept \$10 donation to Michael F. May Scholarship Fund, seconded by Bob Slivatz. Accepted unopposed by voice vote.
- Second purchase of SIG pistols awaiting sufficient number of orders to make purchase. Will request that new pistols include SFA in the serial number.

2.6 A-Team Reports:

- **551 Bob Slivatz** lectured on Special Forces history and mission capability at Anchor Bay High School
- **552 Not Presented**
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- **557 Doug Sherd** team presented a certificate and Chapter 55 Coin trophy to Eagle Scout Thomas Kaminski in recognition of his project to clean and maintain more than 5000 headstones at Grand Rapids Veterans' Cemetery (2000 by himself) and his assistance at the Grand Rapids VA Hospital.

3. Old Business:

3.1 Scholarship Fund

- Dewey LaGuire-Quinn noted that the Michael F. May Board will meet on January 24
- Fund held 42886.14 plus October contributions
- Doug Sherd appointed to Board as 5th member

4. New Business:

4.2 Chapter Events Calendar for 2008/2009

- Spring 09 – Dennis Goodmoot – Lansing area
- 2009 Convention 7-12 June, Las Vegas
- Summer Campout Aug 09 – Al Swan and Don Bruce
- Fall 09 – Steve Frazer – South Lyon area
- Bob Strange new Chapter 55 Quartermaster

5. Good of the Order

5.1 Email

- Bob White Email address converted to Jodie White (Bob Sparks address converted to Barb Sparks)

5.2 50-50 Raffle

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- Money collected will be go to scholarship fund

6. Motion to Adjourn: 1515 Hrs