

452d Alumni Association
Minutes from 452d Alumni Association Meeting on 21 May 2022

Time: 1030 hours

Place: Cloister Community Room - Jim Sperl's residence

Attendees: Drellos, Lovering (Tom), Kingsbery, Nicoud, Mehring, Peters, Preston, Scheeler, Sperl, St. John, Ufnowski
Members present: 11

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A. Roll Call:

President: Mehring - present

Vice President: Nicoud - present

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer: Preston - present

Secretary: Ufnowski - present

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President's Report:

Annual Dinner: (See Ms. Nicoud's information below)

1. COVID has affected venues available.
2. Weddings are being held on Fridays, Saturdays, and some Thursdays.
3. North Shore Country Club is a possibility for a Sunday morning.

Meeting venue:

(Dr. Doos) The South Shore Yacht is a possibility. There are three locations within the building, which could be used. Each space is adequate for the average number of members attending.

Due to usage policy of the Cloister, there are limitations - time constraints and the number of attendees permitted. Thanks to Jim Sperl for securing the Cloister for this meeting.

Vice President:

Presently involved with negotiations/discussions for the next annual party.

1. North Hills Country available on Sundays 11am-2pm. Possible for future years.
2. Veterans Center, Racine (Mr. Klinkhammer) usage supports former military personnel, plus there are exhibits with a possible tour, docent providing escort.
3. There will be food selection for consideration with consultation with chef.
4. The Center can highlight a display of the 452d's memorabilia. Ms. Rumler is offering her help with this.

Treasurer Report/Administrative Assistant: (Five parts)

Part #1

1. \$5140.90
2. The costs for members attending the annual party will be offset. Cost to non-members will not be offset as prescribed on the invitation.
3. Mr. Richtmyre continues to donate the total cost and to continue maintenance and security of the Association's website.

Part #2: MEMBERSHIP/DUES:

1. Dues were not charged for 2019, 2021, and 2022. This was a determination based lack of meetings and special events.
2. Active members may be assessed dues for 2023, with exceptions for life-long members and those members over age 70. For further information refer to the Association's website. The website has this information, plus membership application.
3. There are currently 71 Association members.
4. Reminder: It was stressed that the Association was established in 1995 to be a Sunshine Club.

art #3: MEMORIALS:

The current policy is: memorials of \$100.00 for a deceased members; \$50.00 for a spouse and children.

Part #4: DISPOSITION OF REMAINING FUNDS:

When and if dissolution of the Association occurs, the current policy is to donate residual funds to the 452d Family Support Group. Due to lack of communication with the 452d Field Hospital, the USO and Honor Flight should be considered. No decision was made.

Part #5. There will be no dissemination of member's private e-mail addresses, telephone numbers or any other personal information outside of the Association membership. Release will only be made via person-to-person contacts or upon authorization from a member for a specific reason or to a specific person.

Secretary:

Minutes from 27 April 2019 were read. No changes. Accepted.

NEW BUSINESS: (Ms. Mehring)

A. General Comments and Discussions:

1. The 452d CSH has been refigured to a Field Hospital to meet the needs for continuing call-ups. Old concepts for deployments superseded.
2. Continuing the Association's relationship with the 452d Field Hospital has not continued. An update will be attempted.

(Ms. Kingsbury). Darcy Greuel is the present commander of the 452d. She is known to many members. Contact will be made with a view to having her invited to a future meeting as a speaker (?).

(Ms. Rumler). Would the Association wish to have a footprint at the War Memorial? (Mr. Preston) The policy of the Association remain avoiding sponsorships to organizations.

(Mr. Preston). Mr. John Mulcahy, a member of the 452d Alum Association, sponsored 1 table at the luncheon honoring General MacArthur at the War Memorial in Milwaukee inviting the first 8 interested Alum members. The 452d Alum Association was listed as a sponsor. This was addressed in a letter to Mr. John Mulcahy thanking him for inviting members, plus explaining the Association's position on sponsorships.

DISCUSSION:

A. MEETING PLACES:

(Ms. Mehring) We continue to look for additional meeting places: public or private.

1. VFW post.
2. War Memorial. Ms Rumler has insights and contacts, which she has offered to be prospected.
3. South Shore Yacht. Ms. Mehring has visited this building. Second Floor has room and adjoining bar. First Floor has board room.

B. FUTURE EVENTS:

Barbiere's Italian Inn of South Milwaukee, 1021 Milwaukee Avenue, South Milwaukee, WI 53172

Next meeting: TBD

The agenda was not completed and adjournment was made at 1200 hours due to time constraints at the host's community room.