



**38th Officer Candidate Course/Basic Class 3-66 United States Marine Corps Alumni Incorporated
(the "Association")**

Minutes of the 2009 Meeting of the Board of Directors

October 11, 2009

Time convened: 0900

Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel, San Diego, CA

Officers present:

President – Sam McClinchie
Vice President – Mike St. Clair
Clerk – Steve Snyder
Treasurer – Chuck Sooter
Sgt-At-Arms – Tom Howe, Jr.

Directors present:

Andy Blenkle
Dave Mellon
Terry Cox
Jack Sheehan
Pete Clay

Directors not present:

Larry Edwards
Darrell Wells
Terry Lewis

Call to Order: President Sam McClinchie called the meeting to order at 0900.

The Board welcomed new directors present, Pete Clay and Tom Howe, Jr.

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Board Discussion and Action:

2009 reunion: Chuck Sooter will receive comments for after action comments. Positive and negative comments are encouraged. Chuck estimates that this reunion will generate about a \$2000 surplus for the Association.

Website revisions: No material revisions of the website were proposed. There was discussion of tying membership lists on the website to membership/ mailing lists maintained independently. However, consensus was to make no change and to continue to have members feed any changes to Terry Cox who will work with the website contact, Sam Patel to screen and implement needed changes.

By Law Changes: there was discussion of changing bylaws to specify a quorum at general meetings as a percentage of the total listed voting membership. However, consensus was to maintain existing by law provisions regarding establishing a quorum.

Financial SOP: A question was raised whether the Association financial sop was still in draft form or had been completed. Chuck Sooter agreed to review this and, if necessary, propose a finished financial sop.

Association Committees: The President and the Board appointed members to the reunion committee as follows: McClinchie, Clay, Edwards, Howe, Sheehan, Cox, Sooter, Wells, Bowen, Frey, Herak, Stockstill, and Wall. Reunion subcommittees will include Transportation, Lodging, Banquet, Golf, Events.

Dues: There was a discussion of nominal dues (\$25) and incentive recognition for additional dues contributions (Anchor \$50; Globe \$100; Eagle \$150) and a confirmation that dues are recognized on the Association website.

Challenge Coins: There was a discussion about current widespread use of challenge coins in the Marine Corps and whether to create a challenge coin for the Association 2011 reunion.

Communications and Data Management: There was a discussion of different technologies (Constant Contact, Skype, gotomeeting.com) for maintaining Association membership data, communicating with members, and conducting Association Board meetings.

By-law Notice Requirements: Dave Mellon pointed out that the Association needs to do a better job of providing notice of general meetings that conforms to Association by-laws and recommended that more attention be given to this notice issue before the next general meeting.

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2013 Reunion Site Selection: Mike St. Clair solicited ideas from Board members about locations for the 2013 Association reunion.

Adjournment: On motion duly noticed and approved, President Sam McClinchie adjourned the meeting at 1030.

Respectfully Submitted,

 1/14/2010
Steve Snyder
Clerk