

West Coast Drill Instructor Association
SgtMaj Leland D. 'Crow' Crawford Chapter
Board of Directors Meeting
20 November 2018

Members Present:

President: CWO3 Chip Dykes (Ret)
Vice President: GySgt Alan Hulett (Ret)
Secretary: SSgt Gregg Stoner (Vet)
Board Member: SgtMaj Doug Barr (Ret)
Board Member: SgtMaj Lonnie Long (Ret)
Board Member: GySgt Harold Franco (Ret)
Advisor: LtCol Westby, CO 2nd RTBn
1stSgt Coburn Acting SgtMaj 2nd RTBn
1stSgt Brown: 1stSgt DI School
Member: GySgt Benjamin Parmele
Spouse Auxiliary: Stephanie Parmele, President

Members Absent:

Treasurer: SgtMaj Bobby Woods (Ret)
Board Member: SgtMaj John Clampitt (Ret)
Board Member: SgtMaj Ron Hoffman (Ret)
Board Member: SgtMaj Dave Francisco (Ret)
Board Member: MGySgt Duane Siegmann (Ret)
Board Member: SgtMaj Bill Paxton (Ret)
Board Member: GySgt Tom Donner (Ret)

Call to Order: At 1610 hours President Chip Dykes called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Due to only six board members present we did not have a quorum resulting in no actions taking place.

Review Minutes: We were unable to approve the minutes of the 16 October 2018 board meeting and will be reviewed at the next official meeting of the board.

Treasurer's Report: Bobby Woods was unable to attend the meeting so Gregg Stoner gave a quick review of the account balances. No current information was available on the Thrivent accounts and will not be known until after the fourth quarter report is sent to us at the end of 2018.

Spouse Auxiliary: Stephanie Parmele and Alan Hulett are working with the SA to develop ideas to increase membership and activity. Stephanie and Alan visited Quarters One to discuss having a Spouse Auxiliary tea with Mrs. Heritage. The meeting went well and a planned tea is set for Sunday, 9 December from 1100-1300. It was noted that both

General Heritage and Mrs. Heritage are open to having DIs and their wives visit them at their residence.

Committee Reports:

Reunion Committee:

After Action Report of 2018 Reunion: Due to not having a quorum at this meeting it was agreed to table the After-action Report discussion of the 2018 reunion until the next board meeting to be held in January 2019.

1stSgt Brown indicated that he did not receive notifications about the reunion and missed activities as a result. 1stSgt Coburn noted that if the WCDIA emails are sometimes too long and he doesn't have time to scroll them, and he suggested shorter informational emails.

1stSgt Coburn also suggested that the cadence-calling contest should have a "roving trophy" awarded to the DI's battalion that wins the active duty cadence call contest. He felt that if it were a roving trophy that would go to the battalion then the DIs would find a competitive reason to jump into the contest. Chip Dykes suggested we could name the trophy after MGySgt Bobby Biers as a tribute.

Set Date for 2019 Reunion: The lack of a quorum prevented making a decision on the date of the reunion, although there was consensus to move the reunion to August. Alan Hulett needs a date so he can check with the San Diego Crowne Plaza Hotel for potential booking dates, and Chip Dykes will check on coordinating time with MCRD activities. Of note, the WCDIA is in discussion with MCRD G-3 about making the Friday event "DI Day" and they would handle the entire MCRD day starting with the breakfast through the BBQ at the boathouse.

Gifting Committee: No discussion.

Development Committee: No action was taken to name a new chairman due to a lack of quorum.

Brick Committee: No report given.

Old Business: Chip Dykes advised that we are still planning on providing the remaining battalions with a DI/SDI Wall Plaque. Plaques will cost \$360 each and there are three more to be provided.

New Business:

1. New DI Collar Pins: Gregg Stoner passed around a potential new gold DI collar pin that is somewhat 3-dimensional and looks nicer than the current pins. Gregg

will contact Ken Miller at the East Coast DI Association to get the vendor information. There was also interest from the group for a silver version as well.

2. Potential WCDIA Jacket: Gregg also passed around a black jacket that would run approximately \$75 with our logo affixed. The jacket is lined inside.

3. Fund Raising Ideas: There was some discussion about different ideas for raising funds. Suggestions included: raffling guns; bingo nights; create a store site on social media to increase sale of merchandise. Alan Hulett is working with a vendor to produce a reunion tee shirt that could be sold at a profit to members at the reunion.

Adjourn: With no further business to discuss Chip Dykes called for adjournment at 1715 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregg Stoner, Secretary