

107th Engineer Association
Business Meeting Minutes
2 August 2014
Kingsford, MI

Call to order at 1330 hrs by President Patti Thomas. 21 members present.

Intro Comments

The evening events are as follows: hors oeuvres/cash bar, 1700 hrs: posting of the colors, 1800 hrs with banquet to follow.

Tom Perry introduced Mr. Tom Vukonich whose Father served with the 254th Engineers in WW II. Tom gave a short presentation about researching his Dad's military history. He also thanked the Association for putting on the reunion and keeping the history alive.

2013 business meeting minutes read/approved. Motion by Joe Testolin. Second by Joel Jarvi. Motion carried.

2014 treasurer's report read/approved. Motion by Jim Beckman. Second by Ed Jachimski. Motion carried.

Lineage and Honors Committee Report

The purpose of this committee is to capture the activities and mobilizations of the battalion since September 11, 2001. We are soliciting volunteers to gather info and data about each of the different platoons and companies that deployed. If you want to help in this effort, please contact Tom Perry or Perry Nora.

Old Business:

1. The website fees have been paid by SFC(ret) Ross Stevens (Co A/1431st retiree). Ross said he was not worried about the financial responsibilities for owning and maintaining the website. He considers it a part of his support for the Association.
2. Follow-up on graphic design work to show all the shoulder patches of the organizations which the battalion units have served with in the Global War on Terror(GWOT) is still a goal but not making much progress.
3. Follow-up regarding the battalion plaque in the regimental room at the Fort Leonard Wood museum. Mike Floriano and Tom Perry will look into what needs to be done to get this initiative back on track.

New Business:

1. Nominate 1437th Multi Role Bridge Company in Sault Ste. Marie as the location for the 2015 reunion. Motion by Mike Roberts, Second by Butch DeVerney. Motion carried.
2. Dates for 54th annual reunion set for 7-8 August 2015. Motion by Ed Jachimski, Second by Fred Fontaine. Motion carried with one opposed.
3. Slate of officers for 2015. Motion by Mike Roberts, Second by Gary Brown. Motion carried.

- a. President, CPT Alek Wilson, 1437th MRBC
 - b. Vice President, SFC Ann Dailey, 1437th MRBC
 - c. Secretary, LTC(ret) Thomas Perry, HQ/Co A
 - d. Treasurer, 1SG(ret) Donald Bussiere, Co A
 - e. Public Relations Officer, MSG Daniel Kurian, HHC
 - f. Historian, SFC Perry Nora, HSC
 - g. Chaplain, MAJ(ret) Edwin Jachimski, HHC
 - h. Permanent Director(Battalion Commander), LTC Scott House
 - i. 4 Year Director, SFC(ret) Jerry McDonald, 1437th
 - j. 3 Year Director, CSM(ret) Michael Floriano, Co D/HQ
 - k. 2 Year Director, 1SG(ret) William C. Viau, Co C
 - l. 1 Year Director, SSG(ret) John Hendra, Co A
 - m. Secretary Emeritus, Mr. Edward Vickstrom, D 107th En Reg, HSC, 254th En Bn
4. The Association membership extends a big thank you to the 1432nd for an outstanding reunion.
 5. Association Pledge led by Chaplain Jachimski
 6. Adjournment at 1351 hrs. Motion by Tom Perry, Second by Cal Tharp. Quick gavel by Patti Thomas and the meeting was adjourned.