

## **EC Meeting Minutes December 2, 2009**

The EC met on 2 Dec 09. Members present: Hall, Schonberger, Hruby, Bauer, Luman Smith and Raymond. Audrey Webb attended as a representative of the Class widows.

The minutes of the 22 Sept meeting were read and accepted.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Bauer reported that the Class Operating Fund was \$41,546.90. These funds are held in three separate accounts. (Note; Tony please provide the names of the accounts. I lost the names that you provided.)

### **By-Law Amendment Results:**

Raymond reported that the results of the proposed amendment to the Class By-Laws were: For - 105; Against – 4. Accordingly, membership to the Executive Committee will be open to all members of the class regardless of their state of residence. The Secretary will announce the results to the Class and the amended By-Laws will be published on the Class web page.

### **Elections:**

The Committee reiterated its view that elections will be subject to the call of the Committee Chair. It was agreed that the elections to fill the two upcoming EC vacancies will be held in conjunction with the Denver mini reunion (10 Oct 2010). Hruby will chair the nominating committee which will include Schonberger and Smith. An announcement of the election and a request for nominations will be sent to the class NLT 45 days in advance of the October reunion.

### **Class Forum:**

A wrap-up of the Forum Survey results was provided. It was agreed that a key consideration for Forum use is that it should be self-policing.

In that regard, Hall provided a set of draft guidelines which the committee accepted:

#### Class Forum Guidelines

1. Check your facts before sending a message so that responses are focused on the discussion of issues and not the correction of facts.
2. Go one on one with interested, responding parties after the initial round of responses to an issue.
3. Avoid personal attacks and rude behavior towards others. Go one on one if you have any criticism of the sender.
4. Do not monopolize the forum by sending a large volume of messages. Give others a chance to participate.
5. Remind violators of the above four guidelines.

We hope the implementation of these guidelines will encourage more of our classmates to rejoin and participate in forum discussions. By so doing, you will enrich the discussions for all. We ask those who may have violated these guidelines in the past to take seriously the expressed discontent of many classmates and modify your future postings to comply in the future.

We hope all will view this action in the positive manner in which it is intended. We look forward to hearing from more of you on the Forum. 58 is Great!

#### Widow Activities:

Audrey Webb reported on widow activities. Seven widows attended the mini-reunion in Tucson. There are currently over 100 widows in what is becoming our fastest growing group. Currently, only 26 are members of the email class list for widows. The importance of improving communication through increased list participation was emphasized. It was suggested that a committee approach be undertaken to spearhead a number of topical areas that should be of interest to many, such as:

- a. Finance/Benefits
- b. Travel
- c. Health/Medical Issues
- d. Open Discussion – social interaction
- e. Family Issues
- f. Consolation of new widows
- g. Email list administration/Recruitment of new members

The areas above are only intended as examples. It should be left up to the group of widows to pursue areas of interest to them.

## EC Composition, Responsibilities and Procedures

In view of the amendment to the Class By-laws the Secretary provided a revised set of Policies and Procedures for the Executive Committee. The Chairman felt that a statement of rules and decisions which had been promulgated in the past would be helpful. He asked that each member take a look at those policies in his area and submit them to the Secretary for inclusion in an updated set of guidelines to be discussed at the next meeting.

### Mini Reunions::

It was announced that the 2010 reunion will be held in Denver on 10/10/10. Rich Clements will chair the committee.

Luman indicated that Sedgewick/Tallgren had tentatively agreed to take the lead in arranging the 2011 Mini Reunion in Orlando.

### Next EC Meeting:

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at the Fairfax A-N Country Club at 1000 preceding the Class luncheon on the 18<sup>th</sup> of February.