

7 September 2010 EC Meeting Minutes

The EC met on 7 June at the Ft Myer Officer's Club. Members present -- Hall, Smith, Schonberger, Hruby, Bauer, Luman, and Raymond. Bradshaw participated by speaker phone.

The minutes of the June Meeting were approved.

Bauer presented the Treasurer's Report noting that due to market fluctuations the balance was down somewhat. This change was viewed as nothing abnormal. He also noted that a request for "seed money" in support of the Orlando mini reunion would probably be forthcoming.

There was a general discussion of the status of our efforts to provide a successful candidate for a Distinguished Graduate Award. Bradshaw noted that the Class has identified a strong slate of candidates. Three nominations will be presented as follows:

Alan Salisbury - 2010

Butch Saint and Jim Castle - 2011

Raymond noted that, from past experience, a successful campaign demands the total cooperation of the nominee. In this regard, Smith, who is authoring Saint's nomination, stated that Butch is cooperating fully, and in light of his distinguished post-retirement contributions his prospects appear good. In sum, he believed that they are off to a "flying start." Schonberger, who will author Castle's nomination, stated that things are going well.

Hruby, Chairman of the EC Nominating, Committee, presented his assessment of the committee's activities to date. The committee will nominate Karl Oelke and Paul Ruud to fill upcoming EC vacancies. Dale has spoken to both. They are enthusiastic about EC membership and he believes them to be outstanding candidates. A confirming vote will be taken at the Denver Mini Reunion. The committee will notify the Class at the end of September that we have identified two excellent nominees.

Smith discussed ongoing actions regarding the First Class Club. He stated that Col Craig Flowers, Cadet Activities Officer, has done a terrific job institutionalizing the turnover ceremony. The problem is one of Club size. One suggestion to alleviate the problem is to cover the patio. Although this would require modifications to include heating and air conditioning, it represents the cheapest solution. Hruby expressed a strong preference for modifications in the form of capital improvements in coordination with the Post Engineer. Smith indicated he would speak to Col Flowers to determine precisely what he has in mind and to try and exact from Academy leadership a commitment for a permanent improvement.

It was announced that the 2011 mini reunion will be held at the Lowes Royal Pacific Resort Hotel at Universal Studios in Orlando, Fla. Bob Tallgren and Doug Sedgwick will act as co-OICs.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.