

**West Point Class of 1958
Executive Committee**

**Subject: Meeting of the USMA Class of 1958 Executive Committee at 10:30
AM 21 May 2007 at the home of Tony Bauer**

E.C. Members Present:

Palmer McGrew- Chairman
Bill Serchak- Class Initiatives
Bob Tredway-Severely Wounded Soldiers Project
Tony Smith- Class Gifts Chair
Dale Hruby- Communications
Jack Downing- Secretary
Joe Luman- Social Activities
Tony Bauer- Treasurer

Widows Representative- Audrey Webb

Other classmates present:

Will Roosma- member FCC Committee
Butch Ordway- member FCC Committee

1. Previous minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 8/2/07 were approved.

2. Gifts to '58 Grandchildren who graduate from USMA

Tony Smith showed the pewter trays to be presented to the two grandsons in the class of 2007,

Tony said that George Sibert suggested including the recipient's name on the plate. Tony will determine the cost and report to the EC.

3. First Class Club (FCC)

Tony Smith met last week with Matt Talaber, Director of Public Works (DPW) at West Point. He is a strong supporter of the FCC renovation.

DPW will:

Replace all carpet
Replace floors in pool room and TV room
Paint everywhere
Replace tiles that don't match
Put in a covered loading dock
Replace vinyl flooring in kitchen
Paint manager's office

Attempt to fix roof leaks

Roof replacement (Cost \$1.3M) will be deferred for budget reasons

Gave AOG authorization to award two contracts, one for A/V equipment and one to redo the rest rooms. The rest rooms will essentially be gutted and new fixtures installed, with the exception of the Corian counter top in the Ladies Room and the vintage urinals in the Men's Room

Tony Smith walked through the FCC with the DPW project manager and the contractor for the rest rooms. Work will start right after graduation.

The Director of Cadet Activities put in a shuffle board game that is very popular.

The bar extension with extra tap is now in. Cadets are now able to purchase mixed drinks in the FCC..

Remaining to do is furniture and curtains for the audio/visual room. Cost not yet known.

About \$140 K has been committed of which \$20K are for contract contingencies.

Discussion about turnover of FCC to the class of 2008;

Classes of '93 and '94 refused when contacted by Palmer. Palmer has talked to the president of the Class of 2008, who is very enthusiastic about taking over. The class of 2008 is a logical choice for the handover since they are the class that we have been mentoring. Some at the meeting thought that the class of 1983 would be a better intermediate solution to assume responsibility for the FCC until the class of 2008 has more rank and has members stationed at West Point. Dale Hruby has talked to his son (class of '83) about taking responsibility for the FCC and received a favorable reaction.

ACTION:

Palmer and Tony to discuss the issue with the class of '08 leadership during the USMA Leaders Conference in August.

The FCC Committee believes that it is not in keeping with the theme "Every cadet an athlete" to have the Time Capsule in the FCC. Perhaps the Library, AOG Herbert Hall, or USMA Museum would be able to store it.

ACTION:

Tony Smith to talk to the Dean and the Director of the USMA Museum

Flowers and Donations

Jack Downing asked for EC guidance on flowers for deceased class wives.
Conclusion: Donations and flowers sent only to classmates both graduated and non-graduated.

Class Survey

A discussion of a survey on the class forum led to a discussion of a broader survey on classmate suggestions, satisfactions, and dissatisfactions.

Class notification of EC meeting

In the future, Dale Hruby, Communications, will notify the class of upcoming EC meetings and call for topics to be discussed.

Class Governance

Tony Smith suggested that the EC needs to be careful to solicit the views of classmates as broadly as possible on class issues. The EC should always be as inclusive as possible to be sure that classmates outside of the Washington, DC area and classmates who are not members of the EC have the opportunity to opine on class issues.

The meeting ended at 12:30