

11 October 2010 Minutes

The annual Class meeting was held on 11 October 2010 at the Brown Palace Hotel. The meeting was called to order at 0900. 107 Classmates attended the reunion and while a head count was not taken, it is assumed that the vast majority were in attendance. After a few welcoming comments, Jim Hall introduced and thanked Rich Clements for his considerable efforts on behalf of the Class. Clements outlined upcoming reunion events and thanked members of his staff for their efforts. In particular he mentioned:

- Mike Dugan – Air Force Academy Tour
- Bob Moscatelli - Reunion Dinner
- Bill Miles – Memorial Service

John Raymond presented the Treasurer's report, which he had received from Tony Bauer. The report was approved.

Dale Hruby, as head of the Nominating Committee, announced that Paul Ruud and Karl Oelke had agreed to accept positions on the Executive Committee. Both were approved unanimously. It was noted that this was the initial implementation of our recently adopted plan to include committee members from outside the DC metropolitan area. On the occasion of the conclusion of his tenure on the EC, Dale Hruby was recognized for his 10 years of dedicated service to the Class. He will remain as the custodian of the Class flags.

Although no members of the Perpetual Endowment Fund Committee were present, it was announced that as of 27 September, the Fund amounted to \$580,318.62. The last campaign to increase the endowment raised \$50,308.

One of the provisions of the Charter of the Perpetual Endowment Fund is the authorization of a one-time distribution of up to \$100,000 for use in the maintenance or improvement of the First Class Club. While the Club remains very popular and is considered by many to be the best Class Gift ever donated, it has been determined that it requires expansion. While the patio is large, it is not conducive to winter use. A proposal has been made to enclose the patio and provide heat and air conditioning. While no decision was taken, if an upgrade is forthcoming, it was stated it should be done in Butch Ordway's name.

The EC took the opportunity to thank Audrey Webb, Sue Kernan, and Joan Normington, for their efforts to include Class widows in Class functions and events. It was noted that 7 widows were present at the Denver reunion. Audrey Webb reported on current widows' activities and future plans.

Hall announced that a new development group is trying to upgrade the Hotel Thayer. They are offering room "dedications" for a fee of \$25,000 for a 10 year period. The EC did not support this endeavor believing that our efforts should be devoted to the First Class Club.

Alan Salisbury discussed a campaign to create a "Corps of Support" for our troops. This campaign will kick off in November, essentially to outline what all Americans owe our troops.

Tony Nadal announced that the Wounded Warriors program, which was started as a West Point effort, was expanded nation-wide and now includes other groups. He pointed out that Lee Miller, one of the founders of this program, should be recognized for his efforts, which amounted to a full time effort.

Hall announced that the 2011Mini Reunion will be held in Orlando, FL at the Royal Pacific Hotel. A special rate of \$99.00/night has been offered. The effort is being chaired by Bob Talgren and Doug Sedgwick. A cruise in conjunction with the reunion (17-24 Sep) is being arranged.

Joe Luman announced that the 2012 reunion will be held in the Washington, DC area. This effort will be chaired by Palmer McGrew. Specifics were not available at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1015.