Meeting:  AABOD General Meeting  
Date / Time:  19 January 2013, 9:30-11:00 AM  
Location:  Sara Crawford Room Mellon Hall

Officers Present:  Al Heyer, Chairman; Bob Shapiro, Secretary

Members Participating:  Joseph Bartasius, Niles Dally, Woodie Stevens, Frank Winters;  
Gordon Hanscom, Mark Woolley On Line:  Dan McSweeney, Roque Schipilliti, “Skip” Mahler,  
Sean Condron, Paul Lea, Pete McLallen, Ashley Neth;  Guests:  Col. James Doyle, President,  
VFMA&C, Holly Cheshire, Katie Mc Dermott, Development, Hugh Roberts “56;  Members  
Excused:  David Esqueda, David Martin, Gene Banco, Tom Goldblum, Mark Schneider;  
Members Absent:  Alex Grabiec, Scott Bartlett.

Treasurer’s Report:  Roque Schipilliti commented on the AABOD Financial Report. The  
unconfirmed ending balance is $23,589.63, down by $1,220.55 from the ending balance of  
$24,810.18 in December 2012. Details provided in the Treasurer’s Report.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:  Niles Dally moved and Joe Bartasius seconded a  
motion to accept the 15 December 2012 AABOD meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Committee Report Up-Dates:

- Forgeway:  1). Following the 16 Feb ‘13 AABOD meeting, there will be a “Traditions  
  Tour” for the mid-term new cadets. Please contact Roque to participate and;  2). The  
  Officer’s Dining in will be conducted this March. Details are forth coming.
- Homecoming:  The “Alumni Symposium” is considering having their activity the  
  Thursday before the start of Homecoming on Friday, 27 April ’13. This has not been  
  confirmed nor the exact logics of this activity.
- Career Development Day/Mentoring:  Col. Seitz was contacted to establish the next  
  Career Development Day on 15 November 2013. Coordination will be made with the  
  Academy and College.
- Regiments:  A number of the activities contained in the Committee Report were  
  highlighted. It was also mentioned that the Regiments could identify potential new  
  students and coordinate with Admissions.
- **Honors and Awards:** Participants were again reminded to recognize people (alumni and staff) who have done outstanding work to support VFMA&C.
- **Nominating:** No Change to the committee report
- **Museum:** No Changes to the committee report.

**AABOD 2012-13 Planning Committees Update/s**

Fund Raising Approaches and Options Committee: Paul Lea’s report:

> On, Friday, January 11, 2013 members of the Finance Committee of the AABOD, including Holly Cheshire, along with alumnus Chris Alba met with Col Doyle and Vince Vuono to help Valley Forge begin its education on methods and implementation for Planned Giving. The presenters were Larry Koresko and Sean Kennedy from INSMAX.

> As a follow-up, Chris Alba has suggested that one potential mechanism to market interest to the Alumni would be the establishment of a “_____ wall” in which bricks with the names of the donors would be recorded and added. One possible location for the wall would be in the memory garden established in the location of the old Washington Hall location.

**President’s Agenda:**

- Valor Weekend 13-14 April 2013. While not a AABOD directly sponsored activity, time was given for Hugh Roberts to give a presentation regarding this activity. Hugh’s presentation is attached. Captain Gerald Hale is the on post contact.

- Al reminded the Planning Committees that they should provide written up-dates regarding their committee actions for the AABOD meetings and eventually a final written report.

- New AABOD name tags were distributed to AABOD members present during the meeting and the remaining name tags were given to Katie. She will mail out tags to those who live far away. Thanks to Bill Beute for doing such a great job! These tags are brass colored with a color enameled VF crest in the upper right corner. They are held on by a magnet.
Next Meeting: Saturday, 16 February 2013 @ 9:30 AM in the Sara Crawford Room, Mellon Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert O. Shapiro
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Secretary, AABOD