VFMA&C ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
General Meeting Minutes
15 November, 2014
Secretary Report: Juan Santana ’79, 81C

Meeting: AABOD General Meeting
Date / Time: 15 November, 2014, 9:30-11:30 PM
Location: Sarah Crawford room, Mellon Hall

Officers Participating: David Esqueda, Chairman, Joe Bartasius, President, Roque Schipilliti Vice President, Mark Woolley Treasurer, Juan Santana Secretary.

Members Participating: Bob Shapiro, Dave Martin, Niles Dally, Tom Goldblum, Pete Mc Lallen, Greg Copeland, Al C. Heyer, Anna Heyer, Sean Fox, Thomas Merman, David Welsh, Paul Lea, Justin Mahwikizi, George Cressman, Doug Hasbrouck, Gordon Hanscom, Glen Horsky, Robin Lahiri and John Hughes.

Col. Piscal – Commandant VFMAC made the following comments:

- Cadet Self Governing Corps is our goal
- Going thru cultural change / mind set
- Striving Leadership Lab / Chain of Command / Time – Money – People
- Veterans Day great success Cadets shined
- TAC Officers Teach – Advise - Counsel
- Looking to move “One TAC per Company”
- Honor Code currently challenge times
- Plebe training has been extended (Two months)
- More cadet dismissals this year over prior year (5 Honor Code)

Next Steps –

- Cadet Owning the Corps
- Teach Life Skills / Deliverables
- Volunteer AABOD members to assists Leadership Courses
- Suggestion of QBR with top four Cadet Captains (Joe B. / David E)
AABOD President Opening Remarks:

- Thanks to all for their significant contributions to team
- VFMA Career Day was great success special thank to Bob Shapiro
- Master Calendar 2014/2015 strong encouragement for AABOD participation
- Discussion around AABOD members need to consider some level of contributing (Gold Sword level possible objective)
- BOT and administration strong collaboration

Minutes: Motion was made to accept October minutes. Motion passed (Bob Shapiro, David Esqueda second).

Treasure’s Report: Mark Woolley reported that balance as of November’14 was $27,401.15 with expenses of $71.21 and income $987.00

Committee Reports Reflecting Activities: (Highlights)

Committees:

1. Admissions: Greg Copland reported:
   - Angola proposal moving forward with help from Robin Lahiri
   - Standing by for data from UN after many requests

2. Regiments: Pete Mc Lallen reported:
   - Panama going strong with help Miguel Espinosa
   - New Leader for NY Regiment, Arthur Atkins off to a good start
   - Michigan event 30 new members

3. Nomination: George Cressman reported:
   - No new update
   - Please submit packages for re-new

4. Homecoming: Paul Lea reported:
   - Recommended we vote for AABOD members on separate day not Homecoming
   - Sending 2015 draft agenda to members
   - Webpage needs to be refreshed / Homecoming up front (user friendly)
5. **Career Development Day:** George Cressman reported:

- 41 counselors confirmed for event
- Big success this year’s event…already have volunteers for 2015
- Special thanks to Bob Shapiro

6. **Governance:** Dave Martin reported:

- Quad Chart updated and Dashboard TBD
- Looking to gain committee chairs feedback for dash board
- Reviewing by laws with help from Bob and Justin

7. **Museum:** John Hughes reported:

- Met with President to set expectations gained support from admin
- VIP museum grants available will explore
- Artist conceptual phase one moving forward

8. **Alumni Communications:** David Welsh reported:

- No new update
- Questions on webpage delays

9. **Forge Way:** Tom Merman reported:

- Key to VFMAC experience will focus on Top 10 customs
- Cadet tours event big success this year
- Key upcoming events please RSVP to Tom G with support

**Chairman Closing Comments:**

- Giving to VFMAC highly encouraged (Gold Sword level if possible)
- Current VFMAC administration is very open and engaging
- Let’s continue to be “collaborative”
- Please keep focus long term not short
- Building strong / lasting relationships many thanks to members
- Continue to take ownership and help VFMAC get back on track
- Thank you Joe B. for strong leadership
Next AABOD Meeting: Saturday, 13 December 2014 @ 9:30 AM, CONFERENCE CALL ONLY

Strength & Honor,

[Signature]

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AABOD Secretary