



## COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE

### GENERAL STAFF MINUTES

September 8, 2017

The Commemorative Air Force General Staff convened in a regularly scheduled meeting 8 a.m., September 8, 2017 at the Magnolia Hotel Dallas Park Cities, Dallas, Texas.

General Staff members participating: Philip Beegle; Dennis Fennessey; Mark Novak; Gerald Oliver; Kim Pardon; Doug Rozendaal; Dennis Schell; Randy Wilson; Bob Lawrence (via phone)

General Staff members not participating: Deena Clausen, Steve Barber

Others present: Bob Stenevik, President; Adam Smith; Floyd Houdyshell; Steve Buss; Donna Blalack; Bill Shepard; RozeLyn Beck; David Oliver; Jim Lasche; (a.m. only): Lawanda Strhan; Alan Brooks; Jordan Brown; Neils Agather

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Rozendaal called the General Staff meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

#### **QUORUM CALL**

Rozendaal assured a quorum was present.

#### **MINUTES**

**Motion by Pardon to approve the minutes of July 14 and July 19, 2017. Second by Fennessey. Motion approved without objection.**

#### **MONITORING REPORTS**

##### **Financial Dashboard**

Houdyshell asked if there were any questions about the report they board had received by email. Schell asked about risks and threats. Smith talked to the board about the effect on fundraising that Steve Brown's departure has and will be.

### **CEO Search Discussion**

David Pasahow joined the meeting by phone. He talked about how to go about that type of executive position search. Agather briefed the board on discussions he had had with locals.

### **Dissolution of the Desert Squadron, Inc.**

Houdyshell explained that the CAF Desert Squadron no longer wished to carry on bingo operations, the corporation was no longer necessary.

**Motion by Novak to approve the dissolution of Desert Squadron, Inc. Second by Wilson. Motion passed.**

### **Florida Wing Hangar Expansion**

Houdyshell briefed the board on the plans the Florida Wing has to expand their hangar. They have a donor that will pay for the costs and the Wing will name the hangar after them.

**Motion by Pardon to approve the Florida Wing hangar expansion and allow them to name the hangar after their donors. Motion passed.**

### **Normandy - Increased Risk and Funding Source vs. Benefit**

Stenevik led a discussion about aircraft other than C-47s going to Normandy in 2019.

There was a decision that a board motion was not necessary for CAF aircraft to cross the Atlantic - it was an Operations decision.

### **Board Reaffirmation of National Airbase**

**Motion by Wilson to reaffirm their commitment to the National Airbase development as three projects. Second by Beegle. Motion passed.**

### **AAHFM Report**

Brooks gave his report on the status of the fleet

Total Aircraft:	172
Flying:	137
Maintenance:	14
Restoration:	18
Static:	1
Storage:	2

There has been an uptick in aircraft donations lately. The Flying Museum will probably begin to be more selective about what it accepts. There was discussion centered around the P-47. As much as everyone wants to keep it, is

the related provenance worth keeping it? The Flying Museum will report to the board in Dec. regarding the possibilities.

Adam and Gerald presentation

### **Budget Proposals for 2018**

G. Oliver gave a presentation with considerations for the 2018 budget.

### **AAHM Report**

Wilson reported that the Museum board met in Aug. and elected officers: Agather, Chair, Wilson, Vice Chair, Byron Sanders, Jim Keyes and Fred Telling. Agather told the board a bit about Keyes and Telling.

**Motion by Schell to approve the new members on the AAHM board; those being Keyes, Telling and Sanders. Second by Pardon. Motion unanimously improved.**

### **Issues with Tension**

Bob asked for clarification on issues that he heard had tension around them.

The board recessed at the call of the chair.

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The Commemorative Air Force General Staff re-convened in a regularly scheduled meeting 8 a.m., September 9, 2017 at the Magnolia Hotel Dallas Park Cities, Dallas, Texas.

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General Staff members not participating: Deena Clausen; Steve Barber

Others present: Bob Stenevik, President; Adam Smith; Floyd Houdyshell; Steve Buss; Donna Blalack; RozeLyn Beck; David Oliver; Jim Lasche; Jordan Brown; Ray Kinney

Beck briefed the board on the VIP event slated for Wings Over Dallas.

### **CEO Search Discussion**

**Motion by Beegle to form a CEO Search Committee and come back to the board with a recommended process. Second by Pardon.** The committee members are Rozendaal, Pasahow, Oliver, Fennessey, Agather.

**Motion by Schell to commit the motion to the CEO Search Committee. Second by Pardon. Motion unanimously approved.**

### **CFO Search Committee**

No action.

Rozendaal replaced Pardon on the Executive Committee with Dennis Fennessey.


The General Staff moved into Executive Session.

### **Strategic Planning Process**

The board and HQ staff worked all day on strategic planning.

**Motion by Wilson to adjourn. Second by Pardon. Motion approved without objection.**

Respectfully submitted,



Floyd S. Houdyshell  
Secretary/Treasurer