MLACWS Meeting Minutes: May 1, 2015

The meeting was called at 7:31 P.M. Prayers and Pledges were said.

President's Report - Appomattox was a great event. Please check out all the pictures that are being shared.

Vice President's Report - I had a great time at Appo'mud'ttox.

Treasurer's Report - There are many new members this month. One of our new members has a canon. The insurance for the year has been paid. We are anticipating a refund from the insurance company as we've had in recent years. Rosters are being sent to those who need it and is up to date. The 4th Texas has \$532.29. The CFI has \$3,456.31. MLACWS has \$4,221.61. Becky Efird made a motion to accept the report. Larry O'Donnell seconded it. All were in favor.

Secretary's Report - The minutes were read. The issue with term limits was reiterated for this position and the treasurer. Becky Efird made a motion to accept the report. Connie Difatta seconded it. All were in favor.

4th Texas Report - At spring drill there were 30 men at Ft. Wayne. We helped Joshua Coleman with his Eagle Project. There were 27 men at Appomattox. We were the largest company in the largest battalion on the field. It was ruined by cars in the field but there was an excellent finale at the park. There were no 5th Texans in attendance at the Civil War Medical scenario they put on but the 4th Texas had a great time. We are looking forward to the Village and Mackinac Island. We will be cutting up the old flag and giving to all the men who attended 150th events.

CFI Report - Amanda Fross has opened up a CFI Facebook page. You should have registered for the Village already. There is no Lincoln train this year. The group is \$100,000 in debt. Will there be a military scenario on Saturday after the battle in our town? Charlotte Bauer will provide bandages so the men will look wounded.

Correspondence - A letter from Save The Flags thanking us for the donation has arrived.

Old Business:

Greenfield Village - Please adhere to the organization of your tents so everyone may fit. MOTION - Ellery Pizarek made a motion that no private events be held while the Village is open to the public. Steve Domke seconded it. All were in favor of the motion.

Mackinac Island - Can we set up a meeting time so everyone may go over at the same time? We are still waiting on hearing back from Joe. Can we have a planning meeting with Joe at the Village about transportation?

New Business:

Wolcott Mill - The Wolcott planning committee this year will include: Steve Domke, John Fross, Kevin Morton (on the weekends), Nancy Domke, Larry O'Donnell, and David Difatta. Susan at the Mill is very excited about the event this year and wants brochures to hand out in advance of the event.

Holy Cross Room Fees - It's time again to pay for our meeting room at the church. It's \$25 per night for seven nights this year. We will be paying \$175 out of MLACWS for the room.

Save The Flags - We recently donated \$300 towards this organization.

MOTION: Charlotte Bauer made a motion to donate the difference to raise the \$1,000 towards a sponsorship for MLACWS. Steve Domke seconded it.

This motion has been tabled until it can appear in the newsletter.

Dividing up the MLACWS funds - Tim Puzella asked if it were possible for \$500 go from the MLACWS fund each year to the 4th Texas and CFI to spend accordingly to keep money from the organizational level?

MOTION: Ellery Pizarek made a motion to table the matter of distribution of funds from MLACWS to it's bodies and form a committee to explore this question. It was seconded by Ricky Higgins. All were in favor of tabling this motion until the next meeting.

Gettysburg Cleanup - It will be in October this year.

Ft. Wayne Coalition - Have we paid our dues this year. Judie Gondek will check on this.

Christmas Party - Can we have it a Cobblestone Farm this December?

Fall meeting Raffle - ???

Larry O'Donnell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mary Pizarek seconded it. The meeting ended at 8:58.

Submitted by Becky Efird