

# ALAMO CHAPTER, VHPA



8 October 2020

## Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Via Zoom

President Mike Law opened the meeting at 1607 hours.

**Present:** Mike Law, Jim Boykin, Mike Clark, Chic Carter, Ray Vaske

**Absent:** Tim Worley

Visitors: None

**Quorum:** Yes

1. **SECRETARY'S REPORT** – Presented by President Law in lieu of the Secretary, to be appointed:
  - a. Minutes – 12 March 2020. Ray Vaske moved to approve the minutes as amended. Second by Chic Carter. Motion carried.
  - b. Correspondence: None
2. **TREASURERS REPORT:** Chic Carter. Chic reported that there is \$7,269.04 in the General Fund, which includes the \$650 donated to the Huey 369 project and \$540 donated for the Vietnam Archives project. Ray Vaske moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Second by Jim Boykin. Motion carried.
3. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - Elections: Ray Vaske
    - Two vacancies to be filled for 2021 administrative year:
      - Vice President
      - Junior Member at Large
      - Council to canvass chapter members to solicit nominations
      - Nominations to be put forth and to be elected at the 4 Dec 2020 dinner.
    - Chic Carter agreed to continue as the chapter treasurer.
    - Mike Clark agreed to continue as the chapter secretary.
4. **OLD BUSINESS:**
  - a. Old Business.
    - 1) Governing Documents Update – Jim Boykin. Jim presented a draft of proposed changes to the Chapter Bylaws concerning membership terms and status. After lengthy discussion it was decided that Jim would put together a final draft document for review by the Board. The Board will meet for special meeting, via Zoom, ASAP after the final draft is ready for presentation for review and action. If approved, the revised document will be presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting.
    - 2) Christmas Party – Jim Boykin. Jim reported that the ARC will not be available to host our annual party. The Barn Door Restaurant is available to host a Christmas Dinner on 4 December 2020 with a pay as you go bar and food to be ordered from the menu. The Chapter will not subsidize any associated costs. Jim will inform the membership.

3) There was a brief discussion concerning the price of tickets charged to chapter members and their spouses for any future annual Christmas Party vs. the price of a ticket to a non-member. The discussion was tabled.

b. New Business.

1) Appoint Mike Clark as chapter Secretary and Aviator submitter. Ray Vaske moved to approve the appointment of Mike Clark as chapter Secretary and Aviator submitter. Second by Jim Boykin. Motion carried.

2) Accept the resignations of Fred Lyssy (submitted 27 March 2020) and Mike Patterson (submitted 29 July 2020) from the board. The resignations of Fred Lyssy and Mike Patterson from the board were approved by common consent. On behalf of the Board, the Secretary will send a letter of thanks to Fred and Mike.

3) Reimburse Ray Vaske for the purchase of water donated to the New Braunfels Food Bank on 29 August 2020 for hurricane victims in the Houston area. Reimbursement request is either \$180.20 (one case) or \$360.40 (two cases). Chic Carter moved to approve reimbursement of \$360.40 to Ray Vaske for the purchase of two cases of water that were water donated to the New Braunfels Food Bank on 29 August 2020 for hurricane victims in the Houston area. Second by Jim Boykin. Motion carried. The Treasurer will issue you a check to Ray Vaske in the amount of \$360.40.

4) Report from Ray Vaske on the 10 September VHPA Chapter Liaison Call. Ray reported that various subjects were discussed none of which significant to the chapter. No action required.

5) Report from Mike Law on "The Gathering" [American Huey 369] 8-9 August 2020. Mike reported that three chapters were represented at gathering. He further reported that John Walker extended thanks on behalf of the American Huey Chapter to those individuals and chapters that have supported the program in whatever way support was provided. Additionally, Mike referred the board and members to the article in the September-October 2020 issue of *The VHPA Aviator* in which the American Huey 369 project was discussed. The article includes instructions on how to become a Founder of the American Huey History Museum. Mike Law recommended the Alamo Chapter donate \$1,000 to the project. After discussion, Mike Clark moved to donate \$1,000 to the American Huey Chapter, who will send it to American Huey 369. Second by Ray Vaske. Motion carried. The Alamo Chapter will be recognized for the donation by having a Founders Bronze Plaque displayed by the main entrance of the museum. It was further noted that the \$1,000 donation will be comprised of the \$650 previously donated by Mike Law and others at the 11 June luncheon, specifically designated for the project, with the difference (\$350) to be donated from the chapter. Jim Boykin suggested that the membership be advised of the board's action and that donations be solicited to makeup the \$350 difference.

6) Report from Mike Law ~ News from VHPA National. Mike reported the following:

- The site committee for the Charlotte Reunion conducted a site visit. Negotiations are underway with Weston Hotels to amend the contract. It was determined that the banquet will be held Friday evening instead of Saturday.
- VHPA Directory. This is the last year in which the directory will be offered on CD. Paper directories will continue to be available in the future but with a possible price increase.
- *The VHPA Aviator*. The magazine has had a steady reader base of 8,800 for the last 5+ years. Future publications will realize a shorter deceased aviator bio in TAPS but an increase in the chapter news section.

7) There was a brief discussion about the maintenance of the chapter directory currently maintained by Jim Boykin and whether the chapter secretary should be the maintainer. Mike Clark and Jim will discuss this issue off-line and report to the board.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**. There being no further business before the board, Jim Boykin moved to adjourn. Second by Chic Carter. President Mike Law adjourned the meeting at 1705 hours.