The Association of the Century, Inc. Minutes of Board of Directors 8 August 2023 Zoom Teleconference Meeting

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>: LTC Horace Johnson, President, called the meeting to order at 1200 hours (Eastern Time), 8 August 2023. No guests were present on the call.
- Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the 9 May 2023 meeting were previously emailed to the board for review. Motion to approve the minutes was made by LTC Kapp and seconded by COL Starr, motion carried.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: The finance report was emailed prior to the meeting by LTC Kapp for board review. Getting the exemption ID number for the raffle and bingo has necessitated additional reports and separate reporting of funds. MAJ Platt commended LTC Kapp for his diligence in getting the number and letting the state inspect his home office. We are now filing sales tax quarterly. LTC Kapp went through the pages of the report with comments and explanations. He spent time explaining how the funds for the scholarships were figured and allocated annually. The allocation increases and decreases with the investment rates on the total fund. If the full scholarship allotment is not used it is carried forward to the next year. COL Cobb had a question on the sales tax on the supply room merchandise. LTC Kapp clarified the process. A motion was made to approve the report by MAJ Holland and Seconded by CSM Belcher, motion carried.
- 4. <u>Website</u>: COL Cobb reported that there was a hiccup in the online registration for the Annual Meeting, but it has been fixed. He thanked MSG Bruin for letting him know there was an issue.
- 5. <u>Membership Report</u>: The membership report was submitted by SGM Zimmerman. The total membership numbers were scrubbed for the new database. We gained 3 life members and lost 2 members (deceased) for a total membership of 889.
- 6. <u>Newsletter:</u> COL Norm Williams asked for everyone to be alert for interesting stories and photographs at the Annual Meeting for the newsletter.
- 7. <u>Scholarship</u>: CW5 Diamond reported that the information has gone out on the ten scholarship awardees. More information will be presented at the business meeting during the Annual Meeting and any awardees that are present will be recognized at the dinner. CW5 Diamond has been working with the Community Foundation on improving the scholarship process. The committee will give recommendations for any changes to the board for approval.
- 8. <u>Corridor of the Century</u>: COL Russell was absent from the call. He will report on the Corridor selections at the upcoming meeting.

- Special Committee Fund Raising: COL Cobb reported that the new line of wares are ready for sales at the Annual Meeting. New merchandise includes a shot glass, personalized flask, and decanter.
- 10. <u>Historical Holding Center (Museum)</u>: MG Barron reported that he is still waiting to get a team together to install lights in the cases. This will be after the Annual Meeting. The new Commander of the 100th Division is BG Voris McBurnette.
- 11. <u>Board of Directors</u>: CSM Belcher emailed the board members information prior to the meeting. Members being renewed this year will be approved by the attendees at the Annual Meeting. MAJ Platt discussed the process of electing board members.
- 12. SOS Pickle Packing: No deployments or activity.
- 13. Old Business: MG Barron asked about the distribution of the AOC coins. MAJ Holland said the supply room will sell them, but a price hasn't been set. The price was suggested at \$10.00 in the supply room and the President of the board would be able to give out coins at their expense. Motion for this was made by MAJ Holland, seconded by COL Starr, motion passed. There had previously been a discussion about purchasing an AOC flag. COL Cobb is still researching this so the discussion will be postponed for a later meeting.
- 14. <u>New Business</u>: Any approvals of items voted on via email will be done at the November meeting.
- 15. <u>Annual Meeting 2023</u>: LTC Johnson reported that the meeting is prepped and ready to go. Entertainment is lined up and the buses have been contracted. As of the meeting there are 112 signed up for dinner Saturday and 99 for the Roundup Friday night. There are 35 signed up for the airpark. COL Noble reported on the big items for the raffle/silent auction.
- 16. Next Board Meeting and Adjournment: The next regular board meeting will be 8 November at Fort Knox, starting at 1300 hours. COL Starr moved to adjourn, CSM Bethards seconded, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1237 hours.

Janie Diamond, CW5 (Ret) Assistant Secretary