

The Association of the Century, Inc.
Minutes of Board of Directors
11 February 2025 – Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order: COL Abel, President, called the meeting to order at 1300 hours (EST) 11 February 2025.
2. Opening Prayer: MSG Bohannon said the opening prayer.
3. Recognition of guests: No guests were present.
4. Meeting Minutes: MAJ Holland sent minutes of the 12 November 2024 meeting to the Board prior to the meeting. MAJ Platt referenced Item #19 under “New Business” regarding the raffling of alcohol. MAJ Platt requested amending the minutes as follows: *“MAJ Platt will help or assist the individual who is designated, and authorized, by the Board to spend the money and fill out the necessary forms.”* Motion by COL Butler to approve, as amended, the minutes of 12 November 2024. Second by SGT Lamkin. Motion carried.
5. Treasurers Report: LTC Kapp sent the financial statements and Treasurer’s Report to the Board prior to the meeting. LTC Kapp gave a summary of the 12/31/24 financials. He highlighted the increased revenue from new life memberships. Current balances of the Certificates of Deposit are \$125,000 and LTC Kapp will continue to renew maturing CDs at bank offered “special rates”. The Board had lengthy discussions about the scholarship grant process pertaining to the number of annual scholarships and the amount of the grants. This will be a topic for future Board discussion.
 - Motion by SGT Lamkin to approve the Treasurers Report. Second by CSM Bethards. Motion carried.
 - Motion by LTC Kapp to make a \$2,000 donation from the proceeds of the 2024 Annual Meeting to the scholarship fund balance. Second by CSM Bethards. Motion carried.
 - Motion by LTC Kapp to donate up to a \$3,000 maximum to the funds available for grant making. Second by SGT Lamkin. Motion carried.
 - Motion by MSG Gerding for the calendar year 2025, we award \$1,500 scholarships up to ten. Second by COL Starr. Motion carried.
 - Motion by LTC Kapp to have the ability to transfer \$8,000 to the foundation for grant making purposes only. Second by COL Rowe. Motion carried.
6. Website: COL Cobb reported updates to member information are made. The Application for Membership was revised and he sent a draft of the application to the board for review and comments. Following an inventory of current items, the online Supply Room will reopen.
7. Membership Report: SGM Zimmerman sent the Membership Report to the Board prior to the meeting. He reported a gain of fourteen new memberships, of which ten are new Life Memberships. Total membership now stands at 894.
8. Newsletter: No report.
9. Scholarship Program: Discussions on the Scholarship Program are listed in Item #5. MAJ Platt asked if there was any need to discuss the CFL foundation continuing AOC scholarships instead of sending funds

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to ROTC programs if the AOC ceases to exist. COL Cobb is preparing a point paper that he will send to MG Barron on the matter of continuing scholarships following the AOC ceasing to exist as an organization.

10. Corridor of the Century: Corridor of the Century Nominations are due NLT 1 June 2025. Nomination requirements and a sample nomination are posted on the 100th Division AOC website. A list of all previous Corridor inductees is also available on the Corridor page on the website.
11. Special Committee / Fund Raising: No report.
12. Historical Holding (Museum): No report.
13. Board of Directors: No report.
14. SOS / Pickle Jar: No report.
15. Annual Reunion 2025: COL Abel reported contracts are in place for the 2025 venue.
16. Old Business: None.
17. New Business:
 - COL Abel reported contracts are in place for the 2025 venue in Owensboro.
 - MSG Bohannon reported that planning for the 2026 Annual Meeting is underway. The initial location being considered is Lexington KY, but a final decision is needed. COL Abel asked for a motion. None made. SGT Lamkin suggested conducting a survey of the AOC membership to vote on a location. COL Cobb volunteered to prepare the information for the newsletter and coordinate the website user area for the survey. Following additional discussion, a postcard will be mailed to members requesting members to vote on a location preference of Lexington, Bowling Green, Owensboro, or Danville.
 - 100th Division / AOC Event: MG Barron provided an AAR on the event held on 7 December 2024. There were seventy-five members of the 100th Division present and eighteen members of the AOC attending. The Supply Room recorded merchandise sales of \$1,670 and AOC new membership sales of \$680. MG Barron reported the cost of the social event was \$985.
 - At the November 2024 Board meeting, the Board approved making a financial contribution to support the cost of food for the event and for the airfare for a German NCO to attend the meeting. The airfare expense was not incurred. MG Barron requested that the Item #19, New Business, be amended as follows: "MG Barron estimates that up to seventy-five individuals will attend the reception and asked if the food items for the reception were adequate. Funding may come from the SOS Pickle Jar account as this event is consistent with activities that support our solders."

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Motion by MSG Gerding to contribute up to \$1,000 dollars for the food budget. Second by LTC Johnson. Motion carried."

_Motion by SGT Lamkin to amend and approve the 12 November 2024 minutes. Second by COL Cobb. Motion carried.

- COL Cobb proposed acknowledging members of the 100th Division or AOC who passed away in the past year during the 2025 Annual Meeting.

18. Next Meeting: **1300 hours (EST), 7 May 2025**, in person, Fort Knox, KY.

19. Adjourn: Being no further business, motion to adjourn by LTC Warren. Second by SGT Lamkin. Motion carried.

R. Craig Holland, MAJ, (Ret)
Assistant Secretary