

The Association of the Century, Inc.  
Minutes of the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Reunion Meeting – 24 August 2024  
Owensboro, KY

1. Call to Order: MSG Wayne Gerding, President, called the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Reunion Meeting of the Association of the Century to order at 0945 hours, 24 August 2024.
2. Opening Remarks: MG Barron introduced BG Martin Jung, the new Commanding General of the 100<sup>th</sup> Division. BG Jung spoke to the membership on two topics:
  - His vision for the future of the 100<sup>th</sup> Division, and,
  - The current state of world affairs from a conflict and crisis standpoint.
3. Review & Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes for 2022 & 2023: Motion to approve the 2022 minutes by SGT Lamkin. Second by LTC Johnson. Hand vote by general membership and motion carried. Motion to approve the 2023 minutes by COL Williams. Second by LTC Johnson. Voice vote by general membership and motion carried.
4. Treasurer's Report: LTC Kapp Presented the financial reports and introduced Assistant Treasurer, COL Rick Rowe. LTC Kapp informed members that internal financial controls have been improved in the past few years and specifically stated the website's increased end-user functionality and multi-layered controls are significantly better than prior versions. LTC Kapp informed membership that financial reports are located on the 100<sup>th</sup> Division website and encouraged members access the site and review the reports.

LTC Kapp reviewed the balance sheet and operational statement. He discussed the new formatting of the Operational Statement that breaks out income/expense by specific activity. I.e., Annual Meeting, Supply Room, Sentinel Newsletter, etc.

LTC Kapp reported that the Scholarship fund has an approximate balance of \$310k and, over the years, has provided grants of \$112k to 113 individuals. Current activity this year will push these figures up to approximately \$127k in grants to 125 individuals.

MG Tindall asked if the Association should consider forming a committee to work with the Community Foundation on a plan for the funds if, in the future, this organization goes away. LTC Kapp said that we have a legal document in place with the Community Foundation for grants if the Association no longer exists. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by LTC Warren. Second by COL Starr. Voice vote by membership to approve. Motion carried.

5. Membership Annual Report: SGM Zimmerman presented the membership report. Current membership stands at 884 members.
6. Newsletter: COL Williams requested members send him any photos or information they may have about the 100<sup>th</sup> Division for the newsletter. COL Williams reminded members to be sure to visit the 100<sup>th</sup> Division Facebook page.
7. Historical Holdings / Museum: MG Barron reported we remain busy with calls from legacy members of the 100<sup>th</sup> Division interested in donating items to the museum. A recent delivery of items contained a WWII German paratrooper helmet that has a market value of approximately \$10,000. On 13 July, eight volunteers repainted the M-47 tank that sits outside the headquarters building.

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MG Barron reported receiving calls about the planned 2025 trip to Bitche, France. Anyone interested in going on the trip can call MG Barron and he will provide the contact information of the trip organizers.

8. Board of Directors Management Report: LTC Johnson recognized the current AOC Board. He then referred members to the handouts listing the tier levels of board terms. He has contacted all members listed in Tier B whose term is due to expire this year and confirmed their willingness to continue to serve another term. At the May Board meeting, the Board recommended, and requests membership approval, all Tier B members for another three-year term. He asked for any additional nominations. Motion to cease nominations and for approval of proposed directors by CSM Lackey. Second by COL Williams. Voice vote by membership and motion carried.

On a separate item, Tier A has a vacancy, and the Board elected to fill that position. CSM Duard Thomas was nominated and is presented to membership for approval. Motion to cease nominations and approve CSM Thomas as nominated by CSM Lackey. Second by COL Glen Russel. Voice vote by membership and motion carried.

MSG Gerding informed membership that at the May 2024 Board Meeting, CSM Ned McWhorter was nominated and approved to fill the vacancy created by COL Herzog's passing. He will serve for the remainder of COL Herzog's term. All Board vacancies are filled.

9. Annual Meeting & Reunion: COL Abel reported the 2025 Annual Meeting will return to Owensboro at the same venue. MSG Gerding reported the awarding of the "Century Division Order of the Spur" recognition to MSG George Bohannon, COL Linda Bruin, SGM Ben Zimmerman, and COL Cyndy Noble.
10. Old Business: No old business.
11. New Business: No new business.
12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by COL Able. Seconded by LTC Hulsewede.

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