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Minutes of the UNC NROTC Alumni Association Board of Directors teleconference meeting held September 20, 2001 at 8:00 pm. The meeting was originally scheduled for Saturday September 22, 2001 at 10:00 but was changed in response to a suggestion and survey of board members indicating that more key members could participate if the teleconference was moved to a weeknight.

Board Members present:

Jim Bailer '85 (President)
Harold Brown '72
Rob Gionfriddo '86
Don Ledford - staff '80- 87
Laird Lewis '70
Sam Richardson '92
Jesse Tillman '86
Wade Phillips '45
Daniel Rabil '86
Vicki Stephens '82 (*Secretary*)

Board members not present:

Richard Cashwell '59
Pat Connelly '85
Bill Foster '80
Mark Whitson (*Treasurer*)

Other Attendees:

Brant Burgiss '84 (*Webmaster*)

President called the meeting to order.

Agenda for this teleconference was to review the action items list and concentrate on items related to the preparations for the reunion. Meeting was kept to one-hour duration.

Action Item # 15 – Mailing of newsletter. Complete. Vicki Stephens thanked Don Ledford, Dan Rabil and Sam Richardson for their assistance in proofreading the final drafts of newsletter.

Action Item # 40 – Email Blast. Complete. However, another email blast will be sent out before the reunion as a reminder about deadlines registration and making hotel reservations.

Action Item # 28 – Dick’s letter on the armory posted on the website. Complete.

Update on the NROTC Building. Don Ledford reported that the university has agreed to provide the ROTC’s their own entrance into the permanent facility. This is important since it allows for having a flagpole out front. The new Venable will have a parking deck beneath the building. Originally, the future library space was designated to be used by all

the ROTC's but Don Ledford convinced officials that the books in NROTC this library were specific for NROTC students. They have since agreed to designate a separate space for the Dawson Memorial Library. The ROTC units will have the same amount of space in the new Science Building. The need for a minimum ceiling height (for use of flag poles) will be available too.

Action Item #34 – Pig-pickin' coordination. Complete. Don Ledford reported that he expects registration forms to continue to be received up to the day of the pig-pickin'. The caterer is prepared to handle some extra people that may show.

Action Item # 35 – T-shirts. Complete. The midshipmen will have order forms for T-shirts at the reunion. Brant Burgiss offered to put the order forms on the website for alumni who will not be at the reunion.

Action Item # 38 - Distinguished Alumnus Award/Distinguished Service Award. As agreed upon at an earlier meeting, Will Stubbs will receive the Distinguished Service Award. Vicki Stephens will present the award. The board reviewed the biographical data for the nominees for the Distinguished Alumnus Award: Chuck Neely Anthony, W. Travis Porter, Eden Rand, and H. Pat Taylor, Jr. W. After discussion, a nomination was made to select Travis Porter as the recipient this year. Motion was approved by unanimous decision. Mark Whitson was selected to make the presentation at the general meeting. Rob Gionfriddo will order the plaques immediately and have them shipped directly to Don Ledford at the unit in hopes that they're ready in time for the general meeting.

Action Item # 36. - Schedule for the reunion. Complete.

9:00 am: Board of Directors Meeting

10:00 am: General Meeting. Speakers will be:

Captain Haines

LCDR Shaulis (Don Ledford will provide him information on the NROTC building to present)

Midshipmen Battalion Commander

Jim Bailer

Mark Whitson (Financial Report)

Vicki Stephens - presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to Will Stubbs

Mark Whitson - presentation of Distinguished Alumnus Award to Travis Porter

Action Item # 37 - Parking reservations for reunion. Complete and announced in the newsletter.

Action Item # 39 - Nametags. Complete. Don Ledford will make the nametags based on the registration forms received. Blank nametags will be provided for any additional alumni who might show up.

Action Item # 18 – Scholarship Award. The award form has not been upgraded yet so the unit is using the old one from last year. The staff will be meeting in October to decide the recipient but this will not happen before the reunion. Don Ledford suggested the presentation take place during the Thursday lab. Laird Lewis agreed to present the award in the fall. He will contact Don Ledford to arrange for a specific day.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki S. Stephens
Secretary