

Minutes of SHSU Military Science Alumni Club Board of Directors

Date: 27 October 2018
Time: 0700
Place: Denny's in Huntsville, Texas

Attending: Rich Mills, Bobby Penry, Buddy McCaig, Larry Booth, Jack Thrash, Mike Whitten, Jimmy Dinkins, Gonzalo Correa, Gerald Stoermer, SFC Matt Moates, B.J. Harrelson

The early morning meeting was held because we all wanted to get up and have a formation before dawn in memory of our prior service – just kidding. We needed to meet early so that we could go to the tailgate area by 0930 to support the Bearkat Battalion at Tailgate. A good Denny's breakfast was had by those assembled.

Rich Mills welcomed the group and gave a report on several items being worked by the MilScience Department as well as some past work done by MSAC. Gonzalo Correa single-handedly cooked about 15 pork butt roasts for tailgate on 8 September. He had some help ripping the meat which the Cadets then used to feed a lot of folks at the tailgate. The pulled pork sandwiches were truly great. MSAC members also cooked fajitas for the Corps FTX on 23 September out at Gibbs Ranch. The Cadets were on site for Friday and Saturday nights, and as we all well remember, it rained a lot while in the field. It was a good wake-up for them to be rained on, wet, and continuing the mission. Sunday at ENDEX the Cadets came in for debrief and were fed all the fajitas they could eat, so it ended well. The Cadets and cadre were all very thankful for the support.

Rich also reported on the plans for the MilScience building renovation. Approximately \$1.4 million will be put into fixing up the space used by the department.

Bobby Penry reported that the next Rowdy Inman Scholarship Board will be held 16 November in Huntsville. He is recruiting for board members and a message will go out within a week asking for volunteers. The Board should consist of three MSAC members and one cadre.

A treasury report was not available, but we have approximately \$12,000.00 on hand in the primary scholarship fund.

Gonzalo and Larry reported on the MSAC Web page. It is launched and operational. MSAC is the only club with such a site and that is largely thanks to Gonzalo. Here is the link:

<http://www.shsu.edu/dept/office-of-alumni-relations/clubs/military-science/>

You can Google "SHSU Military Alumni." When there, open the site, look at the menu on the left and select "Alumni Chapters/Clubs." When that list appears, go down and select "Military Science Alumni Club." Once there you will see all that is available, including the Heritage Project, Scholarships, and the Online Museum. The Online Museum has almost 3,000 photographs, articles, and artifacts listed by decade, organization and other search areas.

Larry Booth reported on The Heritage Project. To date Larry, Augie Cirillo and Todd Platzner have accounted for over 1,000 people who are or have been MSAC-eligible, including over 200 who are now deceased. They have about another 1,000 names to do research on and get biographical sketches on. This has been a monumental task that takes a lot of hands-on work, personal phone calls and contacts, and a lot of research. All MSAC members and contacts are asked to keep your profile up to date. If you have not submitted a profile, use the online form to join MSAC. Fill it out online and it will automatically email to Larry. Please go to the MSAC web page (see above) and take a look at The Heritage Project.


Hal Werlein reported that a new order of coins has been made. We are going through our numbered membership coins quickly, which is a good thing. We continue to have un-numbered coins to use for publicity and to hand out to non-members who are supporting or can contribute to the growth of MSAC and the Cadet Battalion.

Buddy McCaig reported on the nominations for Officers and Directors for 2019. A copy of the nominations roster is attached. The roster was approved for distribution and a vote by the MSAC membership. That distribution will take place in November.

SFC Moates gave us a Cadre Report. A lot of things are going on with the Cadet Battalion, including rifle team, Ranger Challenge, Mud Runs, FTX support, the academics, and the great challenges of recruiting. Speakers are needed for several Veteran's Day events. Please contact shsumsac@gmail.com for a link to get to SFC Moates if you are interested in speaking.

The club has discussed holding regional events and meetings in the past and once again we discussed ways in which to make this happen. Currently we are looking at area events and meetings around Fort Hood, San Antonio, DFW, and Houston. Rich and Buddy will be contacting Charlie Vienne and Justin Haynes at the Alumni Association to work the ideas that were addressed at the meeting. One great suggestion by B.J. Harrelson was to make the Battle of the Piney Woods football game each October a major MSAC Tailgate event. We will include that in our discussions with the Association.

The meeting adjourned and about eight volunteers headed to Tailgate Alley to set up the tailgate and cook hotdogs and hamburgers. The weather was beautiful, the crowds thick, and the noise somewhere above 120 dbls. It was great, and good time was had by all.


Buddy McCaig
Secretary



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1. All MSAC members fill out and file a profile for The Heritage Project.
2. Bobby Penry: recruit board members for Fall Scholarship Board
3. Buddy McCaig: finish nominations and get to Larry Booth for distribution
4. Rich Mills & Buddy McCaig: set up meet with Charlie Vienne and Justin Haynes to discuss regional events and meetings.

**OFFICER AND DIRECTORS
2019 NOMINATIONS**

Position	Cycle Rate	Date First Elected	Nominee	Term Ends
President	Annual	2013	Rich Mills	December 2019
Past President	Annual	2013	Brian Leighton	December 2019
Vice President	Annual	2013	Bobby Penry	December 2019
Secretary	Annual	2013	Buddy McCaig	December 2019
Treasurer	Annual	2017	Bryan Harrelson*	December 2019
Director Position 1	Even Year	2019	Gerald Stoemer*	December 2020
Director Position 2	Odd Year	2013	Larry Booth	December 2019
Director Position 3	Even Year	2013	John J. Adams	December 2020
Director Position 4	Odd Year	2013	Hal Werlein	December 2019
Director Position 5	Even Year	2013	Tom "Neri" Terry	December 2020
Director Position 6	Odd Year	2017	Jim Dinkins	December 2019
Director Position 7	Even Year	2017	Randy Underwood	December 2020
Director Position 8	Odd Year	2015	Gonzalo Correa	December 2019
Director Position 9	Even Year	2016	Bill Hutcheson	December 2020
Director Position 10	Odd Year	Open	Open	December 2019
Director Position 11	Even Year	Open	Open	December 2020

* New to the position