

Mormon Battalion Association

Minutes – Executive Leadership Meeting

7:00 PM, Thursday, 17 May 2018

LTC Max Jamison Residence and via GoToMeeting.com

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The Mormon Battalion Association Executive Staff meets at least once per quarter on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm, except when that day is a holiday or conflicts with another event. In that case, the meeting will be re-scheduled and the Executive Leadership will be notified of the change. Members of the public are invited to attend. *Policy:* As with U.S. Congressional minutes, anyone can read appropriate items into the minutes. In the interest of expediency, all participants should be familiar with our proposed minutes *before* each meeting. We will only address items requiring discussion and decisions. The Action Item Review may refer to more detailed discussion in Membership Reports, Member Advisory Committee Reports, and Commander's Staff Reports.

Executive Staff Attendance: The following were present: LTC Max W. Jamison (Battalion Commander), COL Jerome Gourley (Battalion Commander's Chief Advisor and Executive Secretary of the Board of Directors), and MAJ Laura Anderson (Senior Historian).

The following were absent: COL Carl V. Larson (Battalion Executive Officer) and Margaret Larson (Acting Membership/Human Relations Officer) who are working at the Payson Temple, MAJ Val John Halford (Quartermaster/Logistics Officer) who is en route to California Trail Days Exhibit at the California Interpretive Center, Elko, Nevada, CPT Todd Crappa (Chief Finance Officer and Board Member) who is caring for his special needs family, MAJ Clark Olsen (Scouting Relations Officer), CSM David Munford (Command Sergeant Major), Mike Anderson (Chair of the Historians Editorial Review Board), and Steve Reinhart (Judge Advocate General).

Board of Directors Attendance: James Waite (Vice Chair) and Greg Christofferson (Member).

The following were absent: Edwin Kimball (Chair), Guy Dickson, Ashley Hall, Dennis Holland, and Al Matheson (Members).

Local Leadership Attendance: CPT Thomas Griggs (Eastern Idaho Squad).

The following were absent: CPT Blaine Bachman (Albuquerque Squad), SGT David Jamiel (Colorado Squad) who is en route to California Trail Days Exhibit at the California Interpretive Center, Elko, Nevada, and SGT Larry Bilyeu (Cedar City Squad) who is attending a conflicting monthly Cub Scout Pack Meeting.

Associated Organization Attendance: None.

Guests: None

Welcome / Call to Order / Recognize Guests / Administrative Items

LTC Jamison

The meeting was interrupted by an automatic Microsoft software update shutting my computer down. After two restarts, several members were able to continue the meeting.

Invocation

CPT Thomas Griggs

Minutes of 19 April 2018 Executive Leadership Meeting – Approved

MAJ Anderson requested a correction, which was applied and the Minutes re-posted on the Battalion website.

General Business:

Recognition & Awards

None

Service Opportunities

See <https://www.JustServe.org>™ website.

Project Request Forms and Annual Budget Requests

We have received no *Project Request Forms* and *Annual Budget Requests* from local units. We can only allocate funds to you if we know your plans and needs.

Action Item Review:

Leadership:

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Membership Reports:

Affiliate Organization Reports:

1. Battalion Trek/MapNTour.com (Michigan Contingent) – Kevin and Denny Henson: (See *New Business.*)

2. Boy Scouts of America: No report.

3. California LDS Living History Mission, Southern California Area – Mission Presidency: No report.

4. California LDS Living History Mission, Sacramento Area (formerly referred to as Sierra Nevada Mormon Pioneers) – Peter D. Guilbert:

Past Events:

- 20-22 April, Hands on History, Sutter’s Fort – Theme: “Trader’s Fair” –
- 26 April, 9:00-11:00 AM, John Adams Academy Presentation, Roseville –
- 28 April, Gold Nugget Day Parade, Paradise –
- 5 May, Clarksville Day –
- 5 May, San Bernardino Day –
- 10 May, Otter Creek School Presentation, near Georgetown –
- 12 May Monthly Meeting, 2:00-7:00 pm, Clay and Nancy Jackson’s Ranch, Pilot Hill –

Upcoming Events:

- 17-20 May, Columbia Diggins, Columbia State Park – Not an official mission event, but you can attend. You should have already signed up.
- 19-20 May, California Trail Days Exhibit, California Interpretive Center, Elko, Nevada – Mormon Battalion presentation. The Truckee Meadows group will be attending. Bubba will attend if anyone else is interested, contact him.
- 19 May, Exhibit at Choral Group Performance, Harris Center – A choral group is putting on two performances that day and asked us to set up an exhibit inside the foyer. Set up in the morning before the earlier performance and stay for evening performance. There will be an intermission that we can also talk to people. More info to follow.

- 24 May, Georgetown Elementary School Presentation, 10:00 am to Noon – About 60 students.
- 16 June, Hands on History, Sutter’s Fort – Theme: “War in California.”
- 21 July, Auburn Stake 24th of July Celebration, Nevada City – The Auburn Stake would like someone for their celebration. Keith will talk to the Stake President to see what they want.
- 28 July, Ship Brooklyn Celebration, Oakland Temple Visitor’s Center, Oakland – They will need as much help as we can give them.

5. California Pioneer Heritage Foundation – Dennis Holland: No report.

6. Daughters of Utah Pioneers: No report.

7. Early Saints Research Group – MAJ Anderson: No report.

8. FamilySearch™: No report.

9. Friends of the Battalion & Ship *Brooklyn* – President Donald L. Eastman: No report.

10. Heritage Trails Association – Marilyn Mills: No report.

11. Mormon Battalion Arizona (Mesa Company) – CPT Owen Garner: No report.

12. Mormon Battalion Historic Site, San Diego, California: No report.

13. Mormon Battalion Volunteers, Historic Reenactment Group, Utah Living History Association. – CPT Jared Cornell:

Upcoming Events:

- 2-3 June, Mormon Battalion Symposium, Ft. Vasquez, Colorado – MAJ Halford will attend.
- 24 July, Mormon Battalion Color Guard, Days of ‘47 Parade, Salt Lake City, Utah – All are requested to attend.
- 3-4 August, Cove Fort Days, Cove Fort, Utah – We are exploring how much we want to participate.

14. Mormon History Association – President Brian Cannon: No report.

15. Old Spanish Trail Association (OSTA) – Ashley Hall: No report.

16. Sons of Utah Pioneers: No report.

17. Oregon-California Trail Association (OCTA), Southern Trails Chapter – Doug Hocking, Chair: No report.

Board of Directors Reports: (Greg Christofferson) Glenn Rawson of *History of the Saints* radio/television series is doing show on Mormon Battalion and needs trail expert to provide as many journal entries as possible about climbing Box Canyon and crossing the Gila River. LTC Jamison referred him to Kevin Henson.

(COL Gourley) Mr. Christofferson has moved from Palm Springs, California to Lehi, Utah, and should be more available.

Local Unit Reports:

Headquarters (HHC) Company – MAJ Clark Olsen: No report.

Utah North Platoon – CPT Robert Olson: No report.

Eastern Idaho Squad – CPT Thomas Griggs: Sent payment for eight slides, and will reorder supply shortly.

Logan Squad – James Waite: No report.

Ogden Section – MAJ Clark Olsen: No report.

Salt Lake Squad – CSM Munford: LTC Jamison made several Eagle Scout slide presentations.

Utah South Platoon – LTC Jerry Harris: No report.

Albuquerque Squad – CPT Blaine Bachman: No report.

Cedar City Squad – SGT Larry Bilyeu: No report.

Colorado Squad – SGT David Jamiel: Working with Kevin Henson to plot route of General Kearny’s Mormon Battalion escort across Nevada in 1847.

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- 17-20 May, California Trail Days Exhibit, California Interpretive Center, Elko, Nevada – Mormon Battalion presentation
- 2-3 June, Fort Vasquez, Platteville, Colorado – Mormon Battalion Symposium weekend event
- 8-9 June, Bent’s Fort Historic site, La Junta, Colorado – Battalion Sick Detachment display
- 30 June and 7-8 July, Historic Trails Interpretive Center, Casper, Wyoming – Mormon handcart program
- 24 July, Mormon Battalion Color Guard, Days of ‘47 Parade, Salt Lake City, Utah – may come participate
- date to be determined, Colorado History Workshop, Front Range Community College, Westminster, Colorado – possibly setting up a Battalion Sick Detachment display

St. George Squad – CPT Robert Wood: COL Gourley and CPT Wood made several Eagle Scout slide presentations.

White Mountain Squad – CPT David Crockett: No report.

Field Company – CPT Lynn Tegland: No report.

California Detached Section – LTC Frank Szeles: No report.

California South Squad (aka “B” Company): No report.

Arizona Detached Section: No report.

Yuma Squad – CPT Gary L. Smith: No report.

At Large Members – No report.

Membership Advisory Committee Reports:

1. Art Committee – Mike Anderson: No report.

2. Website Historians Editorial Review Board (HERB) – Mike Anderson: No report.

3. “All Things Mormon Battalion” Project – LTC Jamison, MAJ Anderson, and Dan Roper: (For details, see Board of Directors Report in our 21 January 2017 *Minutes*.)

Phase 1:

1. Fund two BYU student researchers part time through Dr. Jill Crandall’s BYU Center for Family History and Genealogy to find and digitize original “cradle to grave” documents of the approximately 2,000 members of the original Mormon and their laundresses, guides, and family members, i.e., original birth, christening, marriage, property, census, death, and probate records. *We have not received a report from Greg Christofferson since 2 February. We need to get the promised funding ASAP.*
2. Fund digital copying of:
 - a. our growing collection of primary and secondary Mormon Battalion data, i.e., *Muster Rolls, Pay Rolls, Post Reports*, medical reports, finance reports, LDS Church records, etc.
 - b. digital copies of the Mormon Battalion Association library we donated to the BYU Special Collections.
3. BYU has agreed to host the Item 1 data compiled by Dr. Crandall, plus whatever Item 2 data we are willing to share with other researchers, but we must store our private data on our own website.
4. Join the recently formed Early Saints Research Group/BYU computer working group. If we find out where they are headed, we can map out what we want to accomplish without duplicating their efforts. We hope to refine our own Content Management System (CMS) well enough to become the default standard for sharing access to data from Items 1 and 2.

Phase 2:

5. Rehost and build Release 4.0 of our www.mormonbattalion.com website, replacing the current limited proprietary CMS with a portable more flexible and user friendly one, and hosting it on the Google™ cloud based server. *We have not received a report from Dan Roper regarding a time line when we will switch our public website over to our new server with his new CMS, complete with updated online Comprehensive Alphabetical Listing, new Individual History templates, and links to Kindex transcriptions. MAJ Anderson calls him weekly to check on his progress.*

3. Mormon Battalion Historic Trails Award Program Committee – CSM Munford, Chair: Made formal presentations today for final endorsement by BSA Greater Salt Lake Council. Met with LDS-BSA Coordinating Office regarding their recommendations for endorsement by the LDS Primary-Young Men-Young Women Scouting and youth leadership. Scheduling meetings with Trapper Trails and Utah National Parks Councils for final endorsement.

Commander’s Staff Reports:

1. Senior Historian’s Report – MAJ Anderson: Cindy Norton, an LDS volunteer, continues to make weekly 20-mile trips to the National Archives (NARA) in downtown Washington, DC to use their special equipment to professionally image and post our Battalion veterans’ Bounty Land Warrants on their website. She thanked MAJ Anderson for the opportunity this is providing her to gain a broader understanding of Bounty Land Warrants. *We voted last month to send Ms. Norton a \$200.00*

stipend to at least partially defray her travel expenses in our behalf. MAJ Anderson promised to get Ms. Norton's mailing address.

LTC Jamison and I imaged 476 Bounty Land Warrants during our October-November 2017 visit to the NARA. Cindy has professionally reimaged 270 of these and posted them on the NARA website. She wants to reimage and post the remaining 206. The NARA has references to – but cannot find – another 56 Warrants. So the NARA held a grand total of 532 Bounty Land Warrants at some time. We question whether the missing 56 Warrants still exist, but Cindy is looking for them. We may find some of these while merging our A-L index into our A-Z index.

Most Bounty Land Warrants were issued within the first 2-5 years after service. A few were issued much later – as late as the 1890s. Some Battalion veterans received multiple Bounty Land Warrants because they reenlisted in the Davis Company or another military unit. More Bounty Land Warrants were issued than Pension Files because, to get a pension file, the veteran had to either be an invalid or die and leave a widow.

In order to file a Bounty Land Application, a man needed two witnesses *from his unit*. This gives us the location of three Battalion veterans at the signing of each application. For example, Samuel Chapin filed in Yolo, California, with E. L. Brown and Oliver P. Harmon as his witnesses. We thought that E. L. Brown might be the Edmund L. Brown who died at Yolo, California, but were not sure we had the correct man. The fact that he signed a Bounty Land Warrant at Yolo, California convinces me that our supposition was correct.

These are exciting times! We are just starting to read these documents, and our analysis is far from over, but we have learned so much already.

I do not think that Church History is ever going to get around to paying for my trip to DC last November, so if the Battalion wanted to help with that \$800 or so we could get you documentation. I do want to go again next November while Craig Scott [the expert who guided Dr. Jackson to finding the *Muster Rolls* last November] is there. He is amazing with military records. It will be less expensive than last year as I will have sky miles to use.

2. Commander's Report – LTC Jamison and CSM Munford:

a. "Members Only" Shoulder Patches and Ruby Membership Pin – (See February and March *Minutes*.) We have received our initial shipments of new shoulder patches, and have begun shipping them to all *new* or *renewing* annual or lifetime individual members, family groups, and associate organizations. All who have completed and submitted a new *Membership Form* will receive one *free* 1" long Ruby Membership Pin and one set of *free* shoulder patches. (See attached welcome letter.)



LTC Jamison will contact our supplier to reorder our Ruby Membership Pins. Per approval from last month, we will be redesigning the pin to replace the inset generic Mormon Battalion Soldier with our more recognizable Ed Fraughton "Mormon Battalion Soldier" logo.

b. "General Public" Mormon Battalion Association Logo Baseball Hats and Patches – We have received and are now shipping our new logo baseball hats and logo patches.

c. Visits with BSA Great Salt Lake Council, LDS-BSA Relationships Office, and This Is the Place Heritage Park – (17 May) Today, we made three visits:

- Mark Griffin, Scout Executive of the Great Salt Lake Council of the BSA in Salt Lake City – We presented him with a hard copy of the *Requirements Booklet* for our new Mormon Battalion Historic Trails Awards Program, and a plaque containing actual copies of the patches, pins, and pendant. We reaffirmed our mutual support for each other, including our hosting tables at their important meetings. He was unaware of our Mormon Battalion Eagle Scout Neckerchief Slide program since early 1996. He promised to include a link to our website on theirs. *See New Business.*
- Mark Francis, head of the LDS-BSA Relationships office in Salt Lake City – We showed him a hard copy of the *Requirements Booklet* for our new Mormon Battalion Historic Trails Awards Program. We reaffirmed our mutual support for each other. He requested that we prepare a press release which he could share with several Church leaders next week and post on his BSA website. CSM Munford will prepare the press release with help from some experts he knows. As an aside, Mr. Francis asked who was our best expert on the Mormon Battalion Trails. We referred him to Kevin Henson, who had rehiked the Main Route in 2008-2009. He remembered Mr. Henson from an earlier visit. *See New Business.*

- Sales Representative, This Is the Place Heritage Park in Salt Lake City – We presented her with a hard copy of the *Requirements Booklet* for our new Mormon Battalion Historic Trails Awards Program. We reaffirmed our mutual support for each other, including their purchase and resale of our new copyrighted Mormon Battalion Association patches and hats. They promised to include a link to our website on theirs.

Continental Support Staff Reports:

1. Chief Finance Officer Report – CPT Crappa: (LTC Jamison) We currently have a bank balance of **\$15,998.38**, down from last month’s 16,432.20. Since our last meeting in March, we have had the following activity:

a. Main Share Savings:

- *Deposits:* None
- *Current Balance:* **\$1.05**
- *Pending Expenditures:* None

b. General Fund:

- *Deposits:* \$304.70 from PayPal, \$227.09 in donations, and \$0.09 interest
- *Expenditures:* \$39.99 for shipping and handling fees, and normal \$39.26 monthly fee from GoToMeeting.com™
- *Current Balance:* **\$2,618.10** up from 2,126.30
- *Pending Expenditures:* \$250.00 to Gary Lunt, CPA, to prepare IRS Form 1023, normal UPS Store shipping and handling fees, and normal monthly fee from GoToMeeting.com™

c. Arts Fund:

- *Deposits:* \$0.88 interest
- *Expenditures:* None
- *Current Balance:* **\$9,150.62**, up from \$9,149.74
- *Pending Expenditures:* We will have to buy new “Members Only” Ruby Member pins soon.

d. Historical Research Fund:

- *Deposits:* \$0.39 interest
- *Expenditures:* None
- *Current Balance:* **\$4,722.73**, up from \$4,722.34
- *Pending Expenditures:* Stipends of \$200.00 to Cindy Norton to defray weekly travel expenses, and stipends to MAJ Anderson to reimburse approximately \$800.00 in expenses for her November 2017 NARA trip, and a smaller amount for her November 2018 trip to NARA.

2. Webmaster – LTC Jamison: We have updated our website to include the following new features:

- **Member Activities | Minutes** – We posted the *Minutes* of our 19 April 2018 Executive Leadership Meeting.
- **Quartermaster's Corner | Member Applications** - We have posted actual images of our new "Members Only" Shoulder Patches free with membership. For a limited time only, recipients of the Mormon Battalion Eagle Scout Neckerchief Slide will also receive a *free* (\$30.00 value) one year membership in the Mormon Battalion Association, complete with shoulder patches, pin, and membership certificate.
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- **Links | Associated Organizations Links** - We have added a link to the BYU Relative Finder program which will show you to whom you are related that is famous, particularly members of the original Mormon Battalion. You may be surprised! Our commander discovered that he is related to – not just one – but 467 of the 500 original members!

New Business

(Open to Floor)

1. Impact of LDS Church Withdrawal from Boy Scouts of America Effective 1 January 2020. Several members have expressed concern over the impact of the LDS withdrawal from the Boy Scouts of America effective 1 January 2020. This change will not make any difference in who can earn our Mormon Battalion Eagle Scout Neckerchief Slides and Mormon Battalion Historic Trails Awards. Both are “stand alone” programs, designed to serve ALL who would like to participate. In

fact, this change may make them even more attractive! Thanks to the foresight of the program designers, they remain ready for the future! To date, word of both programs has basically been “word of mouth,” but we are now embarking on major publicity efforts. Mark Griffin, Scout Executive of the BSA Great Salt Lake Council, stated that, while the BSA expects to lose about 20,000 LDS Scouts nationwide, many local groups are stepping up to sponsor replacement troops, and LDS Scouts will increasingly covet both awards. He promised to help spread the word nationwide through BSA venues. And Mark Francis, head of the LDS-BSA Relationships office in Salt Lake City, opined that we may actually see an acceleration of our two programs before 1 January 2020, followed by an increased number of Scouts outside the Mountain West earning them. He was very supportive, promising to discuss both with LDS leadership in the next few weeks. *Kevin Henson noted that the Church has discouraged as historically inaccurate having young men join the Mormon Battalion and march away in July 1846, leaving young women to pull hand carts a decade later. He volunteered to prepare a script for a Battalion youth trek based on the Mormon Battalion **alone** – similar to but separate from handcart trek scripts. MAJ Anderson noted that most stakes alternate annually between stake and ward sponsored youth conferences, so there should be no problem with sponsoring both kinds of treks.*

Projected Action Items

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Closing Remarks & Inspirational Thought

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Benediction

MAJ Laura Anderson

Next Executive Staff Meeting:

7:00 PM, Thursday, 21 June 2018
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