

**MORMON BATTALION ASSOCIATION
ADVISORY STAFF MEETING
18 October 2008 - 10:45 a.m.
420 South 800 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84102**

Conducting: Col Norman T. Erekson

Invocation: MAJ Glade Nelson

Pledge: MAJ Clark Olsen

Attending: Col Norman T. Erekson, MAJ Richard Bullock, LTC Max Jamison, LTC Gaylen Maynes, MAJ Clark Olsen, MAJ Don Schurtz, MAJ Doug Williams, MAJ Glade Nelson, MAJ John Hayes,

Excused: LTC Bob Paul, MAJ Stan Fitts, MAJ Roger Grua, LTC Jerome Gourley and the Women's Auxiliary.

1. **Welcome:** Col Norman T. Erekson
2. **Minutes:** MAJ Richard Bullock submitted the minutes of 20 September 2008 for approval. A motion to accept the minutes was made by VP Erma Bullock, seconded by PRES Annie Erekson. Vote passed.
3. **Calendar:** The calendar was presented by MAJ Richard Bullock. Heritage Day Business Meeting 2009 was added.
4. **Members:** VP Erma Bullock presented the names of Joseph Horta, Larry Talbot, and Relia Talbot as renewals and Holly Young, of Albuquerque, NM as a new member. A motion to accept these members was made by MAJ Ricahrd Bullock, seconded by LTC Max Jamison. A vote to accept these members passed.
5. **Finances:** MAJ Glade Nelson reported that our operating account increased by a net \$216.55 in September. For the fiscal year there was a net gain of \$1958.17. LTC Gaylen Maynes reported that all expenses for the building have been paid and that he is ready for an audit. A motion to accept the financial reports was made by MAJ Richard Bullock, seconded by VP Erma Bullock. Vote passed.
6. **Valiant:** LTC Max Jamison reported that the next *Valiant* would be published as a double issue in a week or two.
7. **Elections:** COL Erekson reported that the new officers were sworn in in the Executive meeting and the appointments of Multimedia Officer be filled by MAJ John Hayes, that the position of Publications Officer

be filled by LTC Max Jamison. Shirley Maynes was added as an Advisor to the Executive Committee and Norma Bench was added as a Grave Memorialization Coordinator.

8. **Building:** COL Erikson reported that a meeting was held on October 14, 2008 between the Building Committee, the State Parks and Recreation, This is the Place Heritage Park, and Craig Taft of GSL Electric. In this meeting they rejected our plans for a building. We are now required to re-qualify our plans. Craig Taft is on our side to complete the project, and will finish the drawings, which were not acceptable. We need to respond to the State demand and seek approval of their specific requirements.

9. **TREK 2008:** Underway. Kevin has reached the half-way point and is in New Mexico. He is having a wonderful experience.

10. **Company Reports:**

Company B: MAJ Don Schurtz reported that at their last meeting they viewing part of a film about the Mexican War.

Company C: MAJ Clark Olsen reported that their meeting they discussed the Bear River Massacre and it came out that it has been memorialized in the wrong location. Robert Olsen is going to talk about his ancestors Ivie and Allred. Trace Skeen is going to make a presentation of his play in Huntsville, UT on June 26th and 27th 2009 at the Huntsville Park. Cost \$8.00. MAJ Clark Olsen will be presenting his 100th Eagle Award on November 2nd.

Company D: Will be meeting on October 23rd and will give a history report.

Company E: CAPT Earl Gillmore has undergone radiation therapy and is doing better than expected.

Ship *Brooklyn*: MAJ Richard Bullock showed the painting depicting the ship Brooklyn in San Francisco harbor by Dorothy Kennedy. VP Erma Bullock indicated they are getting ready to put the passenger biographies on-line. Some 800 pages of information

11. **Other:** COL Erikson reports that Norma Bench has been assigned to work with Floyd Rigby in the formation of a Mormon Battalion Men's Choir, but no action has been taken to date.

COL Erikson indicated that the Dixie Company has more Battalion Flags available at a cost of \$65.00 each. Sherman Fleek is looking into the authenticity of the Battalion Flag from the military aspect.

We agreed to purchase 2 or 3 flags for our inventory.

Benediction: MAJ Glade Nelson **Dismissed:** 11:50 a.m.