



Spectre Association, Inc.

PO Box 707
Mary Esther, FL 32569-0707



SPECTRE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING Minutes

11 October 2025, 0900

BOARD MEMBER IN ATTENDANCE:

| <u>Present</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| X | Bill Walter | President |
| sick | Brent Cosens | Vice President |
| X | Duane Spencer | Treasurer/Board Member |
| X | Manny Valdiva | Quartermaster |
| X | Jerry Michaud | Board Member |
| X | Frank 'Ski' Gonsowski | Board Member |
| X | Dennis Calik | Board Member |
| - | Bob Antis | Board Member |
| X | Kevin Moyer | Board Member |
| X | Larry Peterson (Lil Pete) | Board Member |
| X | PJ Cook | Webmaster |
| X | Amanda Murray | Secretary/Board Member |

CALL TO ORDER: Bill called the meeting to order at 0900 central.

REPORTS:

- TREASURER REPORT:
 - Duane reported the following:

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| Checking Account | ***7424 | \$11,404.28 |
| Gunner Jack Fund | ***7580 | \$10,711.43 |
| Operating Fund | ***7238 | \$15,812.20 |
| Scholarship Fund | ***7556 | \$9,247.91 |
| FMS BOND | *** | \$25,000 |
| 5 Mo CD with Truist Bank | *** | \$14,719.05 |
| Total | | \$86,894.49 |

- The Gunner Jack fund will be used to pay for some of the expenses incurred from the reunion.
- Noted we have around \$36k in inventory at the time of this meeting.



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- **QUARTERMASTER REPORT:**

Ed and Manny reported the following, from the email:

- Sales with the credit card reader have been a lot; approx. \$3,500 in sales as of Oct 10th from the reunion.
- 50th reunion t-shirts will be replenished on Oct 20th and will be online.
- Ed has been trying to get rid of old inventory that has been there for years.
- Noted that vendors have increased their prices.
- Wants to maintain the quality of materials and some things can be more expensive.
- Sales are slightly lower than this period for 2024. 8 new memberships have been processed and sent. Lifetime 548, Annuals 289 and a few adds to the Silent Guns.

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| P&L--> | \$690.92 | | | | | |
| | \$1,114.39 | (\$27.58) | \$1,086.81 | \$64.70 | \$340.57 | (\$992.48) |
| | | | | Shipping and Handling | Donation | Membership |
| Date | Gross | Fee | Net | | | |

Missing Man Table

- IO: Eberly
- Gunner: Ed Metz
- Sensor: Rick Silva
- Nav: George Deliduka
Pilot: Bernie Frakes
- Mx: Ted Lloyd

BUSINESS:

- Extra funding for this reunion was provided since it's the 50th.
- Noted we can't sustain the level of what we do currently which led to discussion on a possible new venue for next year due to cost. Bill also stated that the bridge construction will be ongoing for a few years.
- The purpose of the organization is to facilitate a reunion. The other things we do are not required, however, as long as we can do them, we will continue to do so.
- Reunion bars beyond the 50th may no longer be something we do due to cost. It is approx. \$10/bar to get them made.
- The hospitality and sales rooms was about \$1,764.00 for the weekend, there was plenty of discussion on this.
- The 40mm round coins are available to buy and the funds from this will be a donation from Bill. The money will be put into Operation Fund.
- The Spectre Facebook page has reconnected many people who have not seen each other in decades.
- Bill mentioned donations. Some have come in for both operations and maintenance of the organization. Others have come in for scholarships. Bill has donated about \$5k through the whiskey project and another \$2.5k through the coins.
- Ed Rodriguez will be resigning as the store manager on January 1st. He will need a replacement, they will need to be proficient in QuickBooks and excel. He said he will help out until the new Quartermaster is in place to speed.
- 2018 bylaws and modifications were discussed. A discussion on the out of town reunions was had. We may not want to have a mandatory out-of-town reunion (it is currently required every 4 years). It is a lot of work to set it up and it will be on whoever lives there to do the bulk of the work since they will be local. We will not be able to pay for those who live in Florida to travel to scope out the location and such. We will have to put a ballot out for this revision for it to go through. The proposal to the bylaws should be on the website around 1 Jan



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- Currently there are no open positions on the board.
- Promiscuous pachyderms discussion: every year someone gets them and they are supposed to take them on travels and take pictures with them at the different events. At first this was looked at as a prize but now it is more like a punishment. Bill proposed that we retire them and when the AFSOC museum opens we donate them for posterity. We can keep them in our store for now.
- Five envelopes containing a student's name was selected by Amanda Murray picking five as primary and five as secondary if a winner is not eligible for the \$1000.00 scholarship. It will be given to an alternate. The money is sent to the school, not directly to the student.
- A member brought up dissolving the association: Bill stated not as long as he is above ground and we have money to keep going, Spectre Association will be viable.
- Membership: people pass away and most folks who sign up for people who were Spectres in the 70s and 80s. Younger folks, especially those who are still flying, aren't joining associations. Bill noted that it is simply a different social construct with the younger generations.

ADJOURNEMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1013 central. Meeting adjourned at 1014 central. Motion to accept; Vito nay.

Secretary: Amanda Murray
Amended by Duane Spencer