



Spectre Association, Inc.

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SPECTRE BOARD MEETING Minutes

Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 6pm central

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
x	Fred Taylor	President
	Bill Walter	Vice President
x	Duane Spencer	Treasurer/Board Member
x	Ed Rodriguez	Quartermaster/Board Member
x	Jerry Michaud	Board Member
x	Darren Vitalo	Board Member
x	Ski Gonsowski	Board Member
x	Norm Evans	Board Member
x	Ed Metz	Board Member
	Kevin Moyer	Board Member
x	Larry Peterson (Lil Pete)	Board Member
x	PJ Cook	Webmaster
x	Amanda Murray	Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: Most of us were in attendance but we were waiting on a few others to call in. Within the next few minutes, PJ, Lil Pete & Vito called in. During this time, Ed R pulls out a new jacket he designed from a new company and has us pass it around to check it out. He states that it does a pretty good job with wind and cold. Once it was determined that everyone was present, and those who had alibis were not going to be calling in, Fred conducted and chaired the meeting. Fred called to order at 6:08 central. Fred asked if everyone reviewed last month's meeting minutes and then passed motion to accept last month's minutes; accepted.

REPORTS:

- **TREASURER REPORT:**
 - Ed R. and Duane reported the following:

Checking Account	***1517	\$11,564.62
Gunner Jack Fund	***0419	\$9,898.35
Operating Fund	***4462	\$14,534.85



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Scholarship Fund	***4187	\$15,162.30
Regions Total:		\$51,160.12
MS BOND	***5437	\$25,023.75
Total		\$76,183.87

Duane is taking on the responsibility of treasurer more and more. He goes over totals that he sent out in email (#s above) and notes that there was a checkbook payment of \$61.25 as well. In 2022, there was \$1281.26 in interest. Additionally, Duane now has a credit card, along with Ed R. It's noted that they each have a separate credit card. Regions bank gives points and these could be used to get more merch. Can get things for the raffle for the reunion by redeeming the points as well.

A motion was made to approve and accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- **QUARTERMASTER REPORT:**
 - Ed Rodriguez reported the following:

Be sure all entitled entities have control of the bank accounts. Past treasurer didn't have the best records. Business license needs to be accomplished according to the tax consultants. Many things haven't been done or if they have, there is no paper trail.

Sales in February went up by 85%, January sales are about the same. This was attributed to adding new items. Lil Pete and Amanda got their new polos. The maroon and navy polos (generic merch for the public) have been restocked. New long sleeve shirts were reordered because complaint of the other shirts not being true to size. Ed lowered the cost of the old long sleeve shirts as a result and to get rid of them. The new long sleeves are better and sizes are more true to size. Ed R. ordered magnum hats, restocked 20 oz tumblers, adding thermal cup that fits in most vehicle cup holders, ordered 100 new Spectre coins and he ordered new rain proof jacket with the Spectre logo. He states how it is good against adverse weather, that there is no set cost for the jacket yet. He is also trying to get the cost down to \$3/ product and asked PJ to lower cost of shipping to \$10. Lastly as far as merchandise goes, new zippered hoodies have the emblem screen printed on front and the back will have the new design. Mentioned we will donate first shirt to Bob Waltman as long as there's board approval.

For the tax spreadsheets, Ed R. working with new treasurer to get him up to speed.

It's noted that Bill Walter not here since he's out of town. Bill asked to pass some information. The 16th SOS CC, LTC Lafavor, is asking to collaborate with us on Spectre history. Bill did contact the sq/cc about this. Bill offered doing an SVTC teleconference with the 16th. There's an email with topics of discussion in order to drive the discussion.

He goes over the report from his email of fees and numbers and profits (see below). There is 90\$ more than last year. Greatest online sales occurred when long sleeves were reduced to \$15; didn't quite break even but it was close. Many others ordered polos and other memorabilia.



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February	Sales								
Date	Gross Inventory Sales	State Taxes Due	Gross PayPal	PayPal Fees	Shipping & Handling	FL Sales Tax	Membership	Donations	Net Amount
Totals-->	\$1,088.65	\$76.21	\$1,503.97	-\$65.28	\$340.00	\$75.32	\$0.00	\$96.62	\$1,342.07

2023 (YTD) Spectre Association Transactions

	Inventory Sales Gross	FL Sales Tax Due	PayPal Gross	PayPal Fees	S&H	Membership	Donations	Net Deposit
Qtr-1	\$2,156.50	\$150.96	\$3,271.58	(\$79.14)	\$722.00	\$143.78	\$265.58	\$2,792.80
Qtr-2	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Qtr-3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Qtr-4	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total:	\$2,156.50	\$150.96	\$3,271.58	(\$79.14)	\$722.00	\$265.58	\$265.58	\$2,792.80

Storage fees get paid every month. On the 24th of the month, Ed R. pays off what he has spent.

We can't use PO box. There is missing paperwork that needs to be accomplished all the way back to a previous treasurer from years ago. Both treasurers are checking on what needs to be done in order to keep tax exempt status with the accountant.

Motion to accept approval from the board which will give Bob Waltman the first zippered hoodie. All in favor.

A motion was made to approve and accept the quartermaster's report. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pete states the dedication to AF Academy plaque has not been set. Fred wants to touch base this week to get this dedication done. 119th wants to do a dedication this June; there is some discussion about possibly doing a joint dedication.

DISCUSSION:

- BUSINESS

Wright Patt is the location for the next out of town reunion. A planning team needs to be set up and ideally, planning needs to start 2 years out.



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Duane: Over the Edge does embroidery on shirts. There is an official audit on CPA and bylaws. Willy Cramer was asking about a death. Lastly, someone applied for a new life membership. His name is Ernest Van Desheyes but Ed R already approved. There is some discussion on if anyone knows him and what years he served. Apparently, he was a pilot from 2003-2011 with the 16th and 19th SOS, he is 100% disabled, has a VA letter, is 56 years old. Fred wants to leave this as an open thing- just to make sure he was actually in the sq.

Vito: He states any time there's an application for membership, then the information needs to be passed to members of the board first before accepting their applications.

Ed R.: Hurlburt has an open house April 14 (DoD ID card holders only) and 15th (general public). 9am-2pm. Ed R wants to contact their PA to see if we can sell any of our merch in order to make money.

Fred: Proposed getting a keg. Others stated we don't drink as much since we're older. Some discussion about different sized kegs.

- OPEN
 - Ernest Van Desheyes life membership and verification of service in the 16th SOS.
 - Merch sales at Hurlburt open house.
 - Planning team for Wright Patt reunion.

ADJOURNEMENT

Fred asked for motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:51 central.

Secretary: Amanda Murray