

**Minutes of 2013 Corporate Convention**  
**September 24, 2013**  
**Louisville, KY**

1. Call meeting to order at 10:10 AM
  - a. Prayer by Chaplain Carpenter
  - b. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Nominations for Officers:
  - a. Report of Nominating Committee:
    - i. President – Don Maggio & William Tricarico
    - ii. Vice President – William Tricarico & Tom Appler
    - iii. Secretary/Treasurer – John Dunn
    - iv. Director-at-Large – Tom Appler, George Vlastic & Sal Schillaci
  - b. No nominations were offered from the floor.
  - c. Voting:
    - i. President – Don Maggio
    - ii. VP – Tom Appler
    - iii. Secretary/Treasurer – John Dunn
    - iv. Director-at-Large – (Mel Frederick noted that Tom Appler and Sal Schillaci were automatically Directors and nominated William Tricarico).
    - v. A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate. It passed by voice vote.
3. Other business:
  - a. 2014 Reunion in Omaha – BOD recommends Omaha Marriott
  - b. Report of **Taro Leaf** voting for future reunions:
  - c. 38 responses: 9 for alternate between all locations; 13 approve of central location but also favor alternating between all three; 14 want reunions in central location; 2 did not have a preference

d. Membership geographic distribution:

i. Northwest	84	v. Northeast	552
ii. Southwest	302	vi. Southeast	432
iii. Midwest	508	vii. Other	31
iv. South	176		

e. Future sites to be explored:

- i. San Antonio, TX
- ii. Branson, MO
- iii. Indianapolis, IN
- iv. Others if very good rates and transportation:

1. Albuquerque, NM	3. Columbus, GA
2. Savannah, GA	4. Columbia, SC
	5. Raleigh, NC

f. George Vlastic will announce future reunions in veterans' publications again

g. To encourage increased attendance at reunions the BOD passed a motion to limit the number of registration fees to no more than two people in a members group (explain) and the Association will pay for the remaining attendees in the group

h. John Dunn will assume annual drawing responsibilities from Glenn Carpenter

i. MOH plaque in Arlington

- i. During the Board of Directors' meeting we received a call from Sal Schillaci announcing he had heard from Arlington Cemetery official and one more form and a letter requesting placement from approval to place the plaque. An Arlington staff member will be able to assist in composing the letter to enhance the chance of approval.
- ii. Dan Rickert gave an excellent update on the plaque's casting and finishing.

- j. Membership:
  - i. Tom Appler reported on his Facebook recruiting members and to conduct another membership drive for 2013-2014.
  - ii. Tom will also seek a webmaster & person to maintain the honor roll.
  - iii. We all need to recruit at least one new member
- k. Presented the BOD passed motion to present a meritorious award to anyone for outstanding service and contributions to the Association to be determined by BOD or designees. Any member may make recommendations of nominees to the BOD. No discussion or questions by the members present.
- l. Mel Frederick moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.