## Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Army ROTC Alumni Association Board of Director's Meeting Saturday, February 14, 2015 3:30-4:00 pm

## **<u>DIRECTORS</u>** (**☑** indicates present for meeting)

$\checkmark$	Brad Cook – 1995		Walter Prentice – 1969
	Dave Deyak – fmr PMS		Anthony Reynolds – 2010
$\checkmark$	Steve Fredericks – 1969 and fmr PMS		Joe Rozek – 1973
$\checkmark$	Rob Hedgepeth – 1988		Vance Stewart – 1985
$\checkmark$	Todd Jacobus – 1988	$\overline{\checkmark}$	Scott Stribe – 2010
	Dave Lewis – 1989		Eric Winkie – 1984
	Luke Peters – 1989		Tony Wolf – 1985
	Dave Pinter – 1990		•

## OTHERS PRESENT

LTC Joe Albrecht

## **MINUTES**

- 1. Rob Hedgepeth called to order at 3:30 pm. The meeting took place remotely and was conducted quickly to allow preparation time for those attending the Mil Ball.
- 2. Rob Hedgepeth asked for the Board Members to confirm or deny if there is anything on the published agenda where they see a conflict of interest. None reported.
- 3. Motion by Tony Wolf to approve meeting minutes dated January 8, 2015; seconded by Steve Fredericks. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Rob Hedgepeth asked for an update on the status of conflict of interest forms. Todd Jacobus informed the group that he has received forms from Rob Hedgepeth, Vance Stewart, and Todd Jacobus. We will send the form out to the Board of Directors along with these meeting minutes.
- 5. There was a discussion of an agenda item that was sent out to the Board in advance of the meeting regarding the Professor of Military Science status as a "Trusted Advisor." Add Section 6.03:
- "6.03 TRUSTED ADVISOR: The U.S. Army Officer serving as the Professor of Military Science (PMS) of the University of Iowa Army ROTC Department may be considered as a trusted advisor to the Board of Directors. The trusted advisor will not be a member of the board. The board shall have no tasking authority over the trusted advisor, but may, from time to time, request information updates. In this role, the trusted advisor may, as situations dictate, keep board members abreast of issues and items of interest related to the Department, the University, and/or the Association."
- 6. Update from LTC Joe Albrecht regarding the "Leader Wall" at the Iowa Memorial Union. The IMU staff has the lead on this initiative at this time. LTC Albrecht will be maintaining contact with the team there.
- 7. There are NINE Alumni and former staff currently scheduled to attend this evening's Military Ball. There were a very good number of Alumni and former department staff came forward to sponsor 45 Cadets for the Military Ball, which is outstanding! This is so much appreciated, and LTC Albrecht sends out his appreciation to all those who have stepped forward to sponsor.

- 8. Thanks again to Anthony Reynolds for his work with our social media. We are 6 weeks into the kickoff of our Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni Association Facebook Page, and we have 112 likes already. Anthony Reynolds reached out to godaddy.com about getting ahold of a database manager so that we can track membership. It appears that the cost maybe prohibitive. Rob suggested that Anthony Reynolds reach out to David Pinter, as he originated the thought of using godaddy.com. Anthony will also explore other options and report back at our next meeting.
- 9. LTC Joe Albrecht reported that the Spring Commissioning Ceremony will take place on 15 May 2015; start time is still to be determined, as the university has many events on this day. Currently, it looks like it will be between 1700 and 1800 hrs. GEN Russell Honore' is scheduled to serve as the keynote speaker. We are currently tracking 16 Cadets to commission as Second Lieutenants.
- 10. LTC Joe Albrecht reported that the department TDA is now full with a very energetic staff. There is a great deal of energy on-board. LTC Albrecht is very happy to have Tony Wolf back in the program and serving as the Recruiting Operations Officer. The new Professor of Military Science, LTC Zachary Buettner is scheduled to be on campus on 17-19 March 2015, and LTC Albrecht will begin the transition with him at this time.
- 11. One of our Board members suggested that we should not use our official government email addresses for exchanging information about the MHBAA in order to avoid any potential violation of the Joint Ethics Regulation. Rob Hedgepeth indicated that we will be using personal email addresses from hereon, unless someone has a problem receiving this.
- 12. Dave Lewis is working to set up a meeting with the President of the New Mexico State University Army ROTC Alumni Association, which is similar to the MHBAA, and has been in existence for quite some time. Rob Hedgepeth, Todd Jacobus, and Dave Lewis will have a telephone conference soon, and will provide feedback to the rest of the board.
- 13. Scott Stribe reported that he received a call from an Iowa State University Army ROTC Alumnus, indicating that there is interest in beginning a similar program in Ames, and wants us to share our products with them. Rob Hedgepeth was very happy to hear that we may be of assistance to Iowa State University and encouraged product sharing, and even offered a visit to the Army ROTC Department to share lessons learned.
- 14. LTC Joe Albrecht reported that the University of Iowa Foundation has asked for a meeting with the MHBAA Board Officers to discuss the future and partnership with the Foundation.
- 15. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, 2 April 2015 6:00 pm.
- 16. Motion to close by Tony Wolf 4:00 pm; seconded by Anthony Reynolds. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd M. Jacobus Secretary Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Army ROTC Alumni Association (MHBAA)