

Meeting Minutes

Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni Association

Tuesday, 2 June 2015 7:00-7:17 pm

Present: Steve Fredericks, Dave Deyak, Rob Hedgepeth, Todd Jacobus, Joe Rozek, Vance Stewart

1. Joe Albrecht has arrived at Fort Benning, Georgia, and is beginning his tour as Squadron Commander. Joe did a tremendous job as the Professor of Military Science; he will truly be missed!
2. During last month's meeting, Rob described his meeting with Barry Butler, The University of Iowa Provost, and Lon Moeller, The University of Iowa Dean of the Undergraduate College. From follow-up conversations, Barry and Lon are committed to getting Tony Wolf in front of EVERY Freshman Engineering student to talk about the ROTC program with the intent of getting high-value Engineer Cadets into the Iowa Army ROTC Program. Barry and Lon are great points of contact for us.
3. Rob Hedgepeth also met with Jeff Kueter, The University of Iowa Alumni Association President, on May 5, 2015. Rob is waiting for a final powerpoint presentation that describes their services.
4. Rob Hedgepeth and Todd Jacobus are meeting with the MHBAA Legal Advisor, Rebecca Stout, on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 at 5:30 pm, and will have a report on our current tax status. We will have an update on this during our July meeting.
5. Rob Hedgepeth reported that we have 122 people who "like" us on Facebook. This number seems to increase when we post updates to our Facebook Page. All are invited to post information to this FB page. Thanks for your efforts!
6. Rob Hedgepeth reported that our Social Media point of contact, Anthony Reynolds, is enroute to Fort Polk, LA, this evening, so we can't get an update. But, it would be great if we could get some photographs of our Cadets at Fort Knox this Summer posted to our Facebook Page.
7. Rob Hedgepeth reported that he, Todd Jacobus, Tony Wolf, Dave Deyak, and Steve Fredericks attended the commissioning ceremony on Friday, May 15, 2015. The Department commissioned 14 Cadets. Rob Hedgepeth indicated that Steve Fredericks was the keynote speaker and did a phenomenal job!

8. Rob Hedgepeth has been in touch with the new Professor of Military Science, LTC Zachary Buettner. He will be on-board on July 1, 2015, and we hope that he is able to attend our next monthly meeting.

9. Rob Hedgepeth extended his appreciation to those out-going board members who have attended meetings, and remained engaged with the Association.

10. Rob Hedgepeth reviewed with the Board of Directors the names of individuals we've been given who have demonstrated an interest in serving as new Board members: Scott Ayres, Ken Madden, Joseph Poch, Robert Stavnes, Brien Waldren as well as Brad Cook, Dave Deyak, Joe Rozek and Vance Stewart, who have all expressed interest in continuing to serve.

11. Rob Hedgepeth received a little bit more information from John Mikelson regarding the University's College of Education's desire to get a list of Iowa Army ROTC Cadet Alumni for their records.

12. Rob Hedgepeth reminded the Board Members that 2016 is the 100-year anniversary of Army ROTC. We will look for an update on the events that will commemorate 100 years in follow-on meetings.

13. Our next meetings are scheduled for July 7, 2015, August 4, 2015, and September 1, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd M. Jacobus
Secretary
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