

FFR Minutes  
Cedar Creek, Middletown VA  
October 19, 2013

**Member Units represented:**

2<sup>nd</sup> South Carolina  
18<sup>th</sup> Virginia  
10<sup>th</sup> Virginia  
15<sup>th</sup> Virginia

Quorum was met.

**Board Members Present:**

President: Alex Stall  
Secretary: Catherine Kelly  
Treasurer: Dennis Bunting  
1<sup>st</sup> Director: James Carver  
Director: JB Gumz

Meeting was called to order at 5:36

Col Carver called the meeting to order with positive remarks for where the FFR is and is going.

Opening Prayer

- **Opening remarks from the President**

Alex offered opening remarks saying we have come a long way.

- **Treasurer's Report**

Alex reported that we are in the "Black" for the first time! Denise reported that we have a, \$300 balance in round numbers and \$300 that is in reserve from the 501c3 application. Saying that is money that we will not use unless needed to temporarily pay a bill in advance of income.

\$1100 – Insurance

\$260 – Web Site

- **Old Business**

Insurance was brought up and discussed. Our insurance policy is for Liability only. It covers any guest for one event. This allows us to invite folks to participate without charging for insurance coverage.

The current dues structure was reviewed.

## **New Business:**

### **1. Welcome new units**

Alex welcomed our two new units:

15<sup>th</sup> Virginia - Capt. Marc Ramsey

33<sup>rd</sup> Virginia -

### **2. Insurance Cards. Action:** Cards will be printed and mailed to new members.

### **3. Dues -** Alex proposed to maintain current dues structure for next year.

Brandon Kelly moved to retain the same dues structure for 2014.

Discussion: The current dues structure put us in the black. Retaining the same structure will improve our coffers and give us a nice cushion. If we find we have a surplus in the future, we can then talk about a lower dues structure.

The motion was seconded and carried. The FFR Dues will remain the same for 2014.

2014 Dues:

First member of a family/individual whether Combatant or Civilian-

\$20.00 FFR Membership/Insurance

Each additional Combatant-

\$20.00 FFR Membership/Insurance

Each additional Civilian 10 YOA or older-

\$10.00 FFR Membership/Insurance

Members under 10 Years of age-

Free Membership

### **4. Date and location for our Annual Meeting in January.**

Saturday Jan 11<sup>th</sup> is the proposed date for our annual meeting.

The location is to be determined. Alex will get back to us with more details.

### **5. Elections Reminder**

It has been two years since Alex asked for the continuation of the FFR board for two additional years.

FFR Members should start thinking about running for board positions. Elections will be held at the January meeting.

### **6. Website**

We need to move the web hosting and find a new webmaster. Alex asked if anyone knows of anyone who could help us professionally but inexpensively.

### **7. 501c3 Maintenance Items**

Reminder to member units to document Education events. Documenting those events are important to help us maintain our 501c3 status.

**Action:** Alex will send the event tracking spreadsheet to company commanders to populate for 2013 events and any planned 2014 events.

The Board members are to sign their annual conflict of interest forms and turn those into Alex.

- **Discussion about potential donation of musical instruments to the FFR.**

We may have a potential donation of musical instruments to the FFR. Lauren Bielen said she knows a retired musician, Thomas Fowler, who is also a retired reenactor. He has a period Drum and 3 horns to donate. It was suggested, discussed and with a unanimous vote to give him a life time membership to the FFR. Alex will get in touch with Mr. Fowler.

**Additional Items from JB:**

- He submitted the application for our permit to allow us to go on the field for Remembrance Day with our fire arms.
- He has registration forms for 151<sup>st</sup> Gettysburg and the 150<sup>th</sup> New Market events if anyone needs them.

A call to adjourn the meeting was unanimously agreed upon and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Catherine Kelly  
FFR Secretary