





## 91st Infantry Division League (91IDL) Board Special Meeting Minutes

## 5 July 2023 - 1800 PT

The meeting was called to order at 1802 hours with the following participants: CSM Art Moore, COL Lou Lallo, Janice Heller, COL Jim Bonato, COL Otto Padron, COL Tamara Frattalone, Dan Balough, COL Gerald Hall - Absent

- Scholarship. After discussion it was decided to have Jim Bonato and the Scholarship Committee meet and make recommendations on the three subjects below and report back during our August/September Board meeting.:
  - Should we raise the scholarship amount from the current \$2500 in 2024?
  - Should we award more than one scholarship per year?
  - Should we expand the eligibility base for the scholarship? [Note: The general consensus seems to favor keeping as is but we will wait for the report out.]
- ➤ Coordination with Current 91<sup>st</sup>. Janice has provided Art Moore and Balough with their counterpart's cell numbers. The 91<sup>st</sup> SGS has indicated that the CG will be in the area on 5 August. Balough will call the CG to reacquaint himself and also invite him to lunch on 5 August. Art Moore will also initiate coordination with the CSM.
- ➤ Social Media (Alberto Merli in Italy; Coin, webpage article?). Balough is in the process of finishing an article for the webpage about Art Moore sending Merli a Centennial Coin and his (Merli's) activities keeping the 91<sup>st</sup> legacy alive in 91<sup>st</sup> in Italy.
- ➤ Holiday Party. The Holiday Party is no more. From now on the League will hold a 91<sup>st</sup> 'Reunion' activity every year which won't be held during the Thanksgiving/Xmas period. The first choice of dates for this year's event is 4 November with a backup date of 21 October. The event this year will be held in the greater Sacramento area. Lou Lallo is working the venue/menu issues. Art Moore will contact COL (R) Roy Stearns, a Sacto resident and former KCRA TV anchor, to enlist his help in planning and organizing the event. Balough will prepare a blurb for the website and other social media on these changes ASAP.
- Fundraising. All Board members are encouraged to reach out and 'shake the donation tree'. Balough and Art Moore will also review with 91st CG and CSM ASAP.
- > Succession. TBD, held over for Aug/Sep Board Meeting.
- > Other Business none
- > A motion to adjourn was made by Janice Heller and seconded by COL Lallo. The motion was approved and carried by unanimous voice vote.

1837 - Meeting adjourned