



FALLSCHIRMJÄGER REGIMENT 5 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, January 14, 2017
5:30 p.m. EST
Adam's Ordinance Shop
Louisville, Ky

FJR5 Members Present: Larry Adams, Paul Correa, Joshua Cummings, Ron Cumming, Robert Decker, Alex Drury, Eric Franklin, Terry Hulett, Austin Leezer, Mark Leezer, Zach Lowder, Garry Redmon, Kevin Reid, Skyler Greenhill, Syd Stansbury, Russell Stansbury, Bruce Tandy, Jason Travierso, Lev Weinstein, Lev Weinstein's Guest.

Unable to Attend: Zach Cruse, Rick Dickerson, Parker Tinnon.

Mr. Adams graciously provided the use of his shop, and also provided snacks for the entire group, which met with great appreciation. The ability to bring gear for sale or trade was also afforded. The meeting was initiated by each member introducing themselves.

I. The first order of business was attempting to establish a 2017 calendar year of events our unit might choose to participate in, with more emphasis placed on some events (E-town, Conneaut, and Linden). We tentatively scheduled events potentially spanning five states (Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Ohio, and Missouri), beginning in March, and concluding in early December. It is recommended to visit the website at fjr5.weebly.com for a comprehensive view of the 2017 schedule.

II. Second item for discussion was the adoption of Safety Rules our unit is to abide by. President Decker provided a list forwarded to him by Kevin Combs. Mr. Decker recommended that we endorse the guidelines, and met with no opposition. The completed rules will be placed on the unit's website.

III. Mr. Decker brought up a proposal for an amicable method of establishing ranks among the members. Eric Franklin was recommended to be awarded the rank of Lieutenant, based on his many years of experience, and ability to speak German. The proposal was seconded by Paul Correa and was accepted as recommended. Paul Correa recommended that the 'founding group' of the FJR5 Unit be charged with the responsibility of establishing and assigning ranks to each of the current members. Criteria proposed could include, but not be limited to:

- years of experience
- actual number of tactical battles participated in
- actual number of public battles participated in (and perhaps even more weight to the larger events)
- the ability to provide the use of vehicles and/or other practical equipment (including tents, kitchen, showers, etc.)
- the ability to provide weapons beyond what one individual would use
- extra-curricular service to the unit in the form of technical and/or physical nature
- the ability to speak German
- participation in other events such as parades or static displays
- becoming qualified in weapons or other relative equipment
- perhaps additional 'points' for high percentage of average participation
- Other criteria already listed in initial guidelines (should be posted on the website).

IV. Certificates of Award were presented to Members by the President as follows:

- a. Jump Badge: Lev Weinstein, Josh Cummings, Eric Franklin
- b. Tank Destruction: Russell Stansbury
- c. Drivers Award: Russell Sansbury

V. Miscellaneous:

- a. Ron Cummings brought up the possibility of looking into a reenactment being hosted in Bowling Green, KY. Favorable dates were discussed, and it was agreed that November (being Veteran's Day) might be the best bet.
- b. Larry Adams recommended that Paul Correa assume the duties of Secretary/Recruiter, given that Larry has been extremely busy and has had difficulty finding time to be more actively involved. The group approved.
- c. Mr. Decker reminded all that if they had not submitted dues yet, they need to do so as soon as possible. The fees collected will go to unit operations only, including but not limited to needed expenses, fuel costs of vehicle providers, etc.
- d. Mr. Correa reminded that anyone that had not yet signed the waiver form, to get with him as soon as possible. The form is utilized for emergency contacts, any health issues, and contact information only.
- e. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m. EST.

