B-52 Stratofortress Association

Board Meeting (via ZOOM)

August 29, 2020

3:00 to 4:00 CDT

1. Roll Call/Attendees: Steve Miller, Vice President
   Rich Nelson, Treasurer
   Jim Bradley, Membership Chairman
   Dave White, Web Master
   Tommy Towery, Newsletter Editor
   Bob Harder
   Tim Hurst
   Doug Seward
   Russ Davis
   Mike Edwards, President Emeritus

2. Minutes of last biennial board meeting.
   Draft copy of the 2018 Board Meeting minutes was distributed by email after the meeting for membership review.

3. Treasurer’s Report. Contact the Association Treasurer for the financial data.

4. Membership Report and Discussion
   Current Status: Complimentary – 36, Couples – 270, Honorary – 1, Individual 998 = 1305 Total
   Active – 652, Lapsed – 625, New 19, Renewal – 9 = 1305 Total
   Suggested that the Membership chair use the blast feature of the membership program to remind the lapsed members to renew their membership. He will also blast to all active and lapsed members informing them that they must be active members of the Association to attend the future Rendezvous.

5. Procedure for election of a new President.
   Russ Stephenson volunteered to be President of the Association. Tommy Towery presented a motion nominating Russ as the President, seconded by Tim Hurst. The board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Welcome to the board, and congratulations, Russ.

   A copy of the bylaws was distributed to membership after the meeting for review and comment with recommended changes to be discussed at the next board meeting. Recommended that the final number of members be an odd number to prevent deadlocks. Mike Edwards to contact Harry Bender, and Russ Stephenson to contact Jim Larkins to ascertain their desire/interest in continuing to serve on the Board. Discussed the need to have board members with varying interest in the B-52 as well as experience in B-52 war fighting in the Middle East.

7. 2021 Reunion at the Air Force Museum, Dayton, OH.
Plan to make the event and dedication of the B-52 Stratofortress Memorial a gala affair, inviting the Secretary of the Air Force, Commander of Air Force Global Strike Command, 5th Bomb Wing Commander, 2nd Bomb Wing Commander, USAF B-52 Program Manager, Boeing B-52 Program Manager, and Pratt-Whitney B-52 Engine Manager. Request a B-52 flyby be performed by the 5th and/or 2nd Bomb Wing.

For Board consideration: reschedule the cancelled 2020 Rendezvous in Seattle to 2022 in Seattle, thereby putting the Biennial Rendezvous schedule back in the historical sequence of occurring every other even year.

   The deadline for the September issue of the Association newsletter is rapidly approaching. Tommy reminded everyone that he had requested a short biography of all current board members.

9. Additional Comments from Board Members.
   Review the bylaws and submit any recommended changes to Rich Nelson. He will compile them and present them at the next board meeting.

10. Next Board Meeting.
    The next Board Meeting will be held via ZOOM on Saturday, October 3, 2020, at 3:00 PM CDT.

11. Adjournment.
    The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 CDT.

Respectfully submitted.

Rich Nelson
Treasurer
B-52 Stratofortress

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1. B-52 Stratofortress Association Cash Flow Analysis
2. Membership Report
3. Bylaws, B-52 Stratofortress Association last updated 10 September 2010
4. B-52 Stratofortress Association Board of Directors - 2020