**QAC Council Meeting Minutes – Feb 19; Start 6 p.m.**

* The Secretary reviewed minutes/notes from November council meeting.
* The Treasurer reviewed the current fiscal report.
  + Opened new savings account to get two CDs
  + Discussion on if the chapter wants to further invest money beyond 2 CDs. We could invest further, but would need to maintain the minimum 5k and 2k thresholds in the accounts to get the best interest rates.
* The chair of the Membership Committee provided an update.
  + Current membership is at 85, which has almost doubled since the last update.
  + The mailers seemed to be effective with a good response, with proven new membership. It also validated our database.
  + Discussion on how to incentivize three-year membership options.
    - Potentially offering discounted $60 three-year membership rate if members pay in cash at a breakfast.
  + Discussion of life memberships similar to VFWs, but determined “big” USNAAA would have to assist in that effort.
* The chair of the Activities Committee provided an update.
  + Review of calendar for scheduled guest speakers for upcoming breakfasts.
  + Discussed potential outreach/volunteer events for April.
    - Ideas included Travis Manion foundation, support to Honor Flights, and a battlefield cleanup effort.
  + Additionally discussed a flag-raising event in May.
  + Discussion of a networking social at Globe & Laurel.
    - Globe & Laurel would let us have a room for free to conduct the event, but chapter would want to consider purchasing a few appetizers to support.
    - Chapter needs to decide month/day.
    - Council voted to move forward with the networking event and to start on a quarterly basis and allocated $100 to the event.
  + Discussed upcoming fiscal year events and activities.
  + Discussion for council to think about if the chapter wants to do some version of a summer picnic. The event could potentially be with TBS Lts or parents’ clubs. Would also need a volunteer to lead the effort.
* Blue-and-Gold liaison officer provided an update that talking points and Q&As have posted to the website.
* Discussion of Old Items:
  + 10s decade rep still vacant – Bob Taylor volunteered to fill void.
* New Business Items:
  + Disucsion of chapter best practices submission. Submissions include speaker series, Run to Honor event, recruiting efforts, and routine/active council engagmenets.
  + Discussion of upcoming deadlines for council reivews (activities, budget, by laws).
* Run to Honor updates:
  + The committee is up and running.
  + The Event Brite link was sent out.
  + The goal is to fund 3 scholarships this year.
  + Currenly sold ~12 tickets and netted $600 so far.
* Discussion of employment networking opportunities similar to Hampton Roads Chapter. The events allow to connect with transitioning alumni.
  + Tabled for more research. John Keenan volunteered to look into more details of how it’s conducted with Hampton Roads Chapter.
  + Council determine we’d see how the networking event at Globe & Laurel turns out before deciding to add additional event.
  + Ensure alignment to strategic plan.
* Presentation of the Chapter Charter.
  + Bob Taylor will look into cost estimates for a frame and easel.
* Saved Rounds:
  + Maybe have a USNA company senior enlisted advisor/chief be a guest speaker one time.
  + Discussion of breakfast locations/hotel.
* Next council meeting is scheduled for April 6 at 6 p.m.