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Executive Committee Meeting – January 19, 2006 Madison, WI

Members Present: President Nehls Executive Vice President Olson
 Secretary Russell Treasurer Lewis
 Executive Director Wagner

Members excused: Vice President Seaholm

Others Present: Director Feucht LTC Gerety

President Nehls called the meeting to order at 0900 hours, January 19, 2006.

President Nehls asked Director Feucht to brief the group on the 56th Annual Conference scheduled for 28 – 30 April at the Kalahari in Wisconsin Dells. Director Feucht briefed the following:

Theme for the conference: One Team – One Fight – One Family

Objective: To make the conference affordable for all; To welcome both officer and enlisted; to share in Army and Air jointness; and gain membership (participation at the conference).

Child Care: Again provided by Pop-in-Nanny. This was a big hit last year. More of the cost will be passed to the member. Fee for Friday evening is \$10 per child and \$15 per child on Saturday.

Ice Breaker: Event will have a southwestern theme – following the focus of the National Conference in Albuquerque, NM. The event will begin with an opening ceremony, which will give the conference an official start. Deployed soldiers and airmen will be honored and throughout the event a slide show of pictures from various deployments will be running. Also, the video clips from both Albuquerque and Puerto Rico will be worked into the program. The cost of this event is \$5 less, to the member, than in 2005.

Golf Outing: Again will be held at Trappers Turn on Friday. Cost is \$5 more than in 2005.

Banquet: As in other years will be a formal event with the 132d Army Band playing throughout the evening. Cost to the member is graduated depending upon grade. Junior officers and enlisted will pay \$30 apiece with senior enlisted and officers paying \$37.50. Last years cost was \$50 per person.

Hospitality Rooms: Setup similar to last year with the major commands each contributing \$300 to the cause. It was noted that for budgeting purposes, the Volk Field Combat Readiness Training Center and the 128 Air Control Squadron should be considered as one in assessing the \$300 contribution. Hospitality rooms will be open following events on both Friday and Saturday evenings.

Supplementary Notes: Free luncheons for the Retiree, Company Grade/Warrant Officer Caucuses. The Enlisted Auxiliary Luncheon will also be free. Any spouses attending the Retiree and Auxiliary Luncheons will be required to pay a \$15 fee. It was suggested that meal tickets be issued to those signing up for the luncheons to preclude walk-ins and those not registered from eating. The committee has not scheduled spouse activities but the area offers a wide variety of venues for the tourist.

President Nehls applauded the efforts of the 64th Troop Command and the Conference Committee in their efforts to host a quality event at an affordable price.

The Executive Committee recommended that the letter which is sent to newly promoted officers soliciting contributions to support the costs of the ice Breaker be reworded to solicit contributions to offset the costs of the conference.

Meeting adjourned at 1030.



Ronald R. Wagner
Executive Director