

Clan Cunningham International

Minutes of Board Meeting on November 17, 2013

Call to order (5:09) PM EST by President Kelly Cunningham

Board Members present are indicated in bold blue font :

Kelly Cunningham (President), **Steve Cunningham** (VP), **David Pickens** (Secretary/Treasurer), **Patricia Paisley** (via proxy by Dr Bill)(Membership Director), **Alex Cunningham** (Regional Secretary), **Sheryl Cunningham** (Genealogist), **Amy Dean** (Historian), **Barbara Ball** (Newsletter Editor), Bartley Payne (Regional Director to Cunninghams in Uniform), **Jerry Lester** Webmaster), **Phil Cunningham** (NZ Regional Director), Robert Cunningham (Mid America Regional Director), **Nancy Cunningham** (Canadian Regional Director), **Dr. Bill Cunningham** (Northeast USA Regional Director)

Secretary-Treasurer Report - David Pickens

Approval of October 27th, 2013 Minutes with correction - under new business, should show we approved Alex Cunningham as Regional Director of Scotland Treasures Report – no expenditures since last report, deposited \$190 (\$30 of which was from CD sales & the rest was renewals and new memberships received.

Membership Report - Pat Paisley – via Dr Bill Cunningham

- 3 renewals and no new members – we presently have 130 active members

Newsletter Editor's Report - Barbara Ball

- our newsletter is 6-7 pages complete and calls for anything else to be added
- will have out by Thanksgiving – David will take care of distribution.

Webmaster's Report - Jerry Lester

- pictures from several games have been uploaded to the site.

Genealogist's Report - Sheryl Cunningham

- has been working with the files she has received and will be coming up with a plan on where and how to put our genealogy records on the web page.

Historian's Report - Amy Dean

- received package from Carol Bishop and she is going through it to see what all we have including old newsletters and Board Minutes.
David will convert all the old newsletters he has to PDF and share with Amy and Barbara.
- has interest in Cunninghams serving in both World Wars and requests information from anyone. Presently compiling info on a WWI Cunningham that was a flying ace for our newsletter.

Regional Secretary's Report & Regional Director's Present - Alex Cunningham

- gave a report on the Lord Lyon's hearing of the petition by Sir John Cuninghame this past week and we hope to hear by Christmas when the present Lyon retires.

Vice President's Report - Steve Cunningham

- no report

President's Report - Kelly Cunningham

- looking forward to getting some of the business behind us and focusing on the 2014 games.

Old Business:

David reports that he has not heard from IRS on our 501c3 application. David had member, Kate Cary (a member who is an attorney with expertise in 501c3 applications to review the application and she said she saw nothing in it that would indicate we would not be approved. She is also going to help David draft a letter to IRS on keeping our non-profit status during the application process.

No report on the Glencairn Aisle Window Project

Update on plans for Bannockburn Event in June of 2014

- not much to report other than we set up Friday evening and it will be Saturday, Sunday & Monday. Alex is asking for assistance from anyone going to help man it.

Update on plans for the 2016 Triennial Meeting

- David will talk to RoseAnn at Caprington and start plans for 2016

Update on CCI CD sales

- Dr Bill reports Jerry has added a nice ad on the website.
- discussed making a CD of old newsletters to sell – David will start converting all past newsletters to PDF format and will discuss selling them.

Discussed the compiling of the CCI Guide to Cunningham Sites in Ireland – will need someone to head that up. Sheryl, Kelly and Dr. Bill will start reaching out to others to do this.

New Business:

Discussion on wording of some things on the website – will leave the statement on the website that we meet “regularly” instead of changing to “monthly” – which is what our bylaws state. Will put all officers’ names, state and email addresses on the website and in the newsletter. Approved the re-wording of information on the Council Officers page.

Jerry was approached at the Salado Games by the *Plaid Unicorn*, an online web based retail store. They will give 10% discounts to people who use the special code we have and an additional 10% will be kicked back to us. Motion to put this on the website and in the newsletter was approved.

Kelly Cunningham reports she has been in touch with Bruce Cunningham about being a Regional Director and will be reaching out to Sherrell Cunningham in England about serving again.

Decided the minutes of our Council meetings will be posted on our website only when they are corrected and approved at the next Council Meeting per our bylaws.

Approved to add two more old newsletters on the website as samples for potential members.

Decided to publish the names and states of new members who join during the quarter in the newsletter and on the website to welcome them to CCI.

Discussion of games list and will only post games we will host a tent.

Next Meeting December 15, 2013 at 5:00PM EST

Meeting Adjourned at 6:25

- respectfully submitted by David Pickens, Secretary-Treasurer