

# 13Nov18 Meeting Minutes: TCA AOG

**Date:** 13Nov18;  
**Time:** 1830 Hours;  
**Location:** VFW/Amer Legion, Bloomington, MN

<b>Meeting Called By:</b>	<b>T. Wilson</b>
<b>Type of Meeting:</b>	<b>TCA AOG Open/Board Meeting</b>
<b>Name of Meeting Facilitator:</b>	<b>T. Wilson</b>
<b>List of Attendees:</b>	Tom Wilson, Rick Knoll, Terry Flower, Bob Hickcox, Bob Youngquist, Sandy Carlson, Jason VanOvebeke, Ben Schoenbauer

## Topics:

<b>Summary of Discussion</b>	<b>Rules of Order:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pledge of Allegiance Accomplished</li> <li>• Quorum established (5 Board members minimum)</li> <li>• Introduction of all present not needed.</li> </ul>
<b>Summary of Discussion</b>	<b>New Business:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Last month's meeting minutes approved.</b></li> <li>• Homeless Vets Program (Sandy Carlson): Several ideas discussed to involve AOG members including: Bingo Nite, "Backpacks for Life" (How do we get them to distributors?), Holbrook Farms (which actually supports the families of Vets). Anyone else have ideas for activities?</li> <li>• AOG Board Member Visit (Tom Wilson): Tom had received a memo from AOG Nat'l requesting to visit our monthly meeting to discuss the upcoming Nat'l AOG vote on the CEO question. Tom will address the issue in the first Newsletter of 2019, since the board did not favor such a visit.</li> <li>• PR assistance (Tom Wilson): Tom met Julia Arnold, a "free-lance" writer in the Twin Cities. Julia offered assistance in publicizing our goals, purpose and information. This was discussed and the Board decided that an appropriate application of this would be to ask Julia to coordinate with Pete Swanson and possibly put together a press release regarding the ALO program.</li> <li>• FDD (Sandy Carlson): Sandy was meeting with the Parents' Club Thursday. We are still looking to rename the dinner. Possibles are "Polaris Dinner" or "Heritage Dinner." Anyone have any other ideas? We will continue to have the Silent Auction so</li> </ul>

we will need Auction items. Save the Date (30Apr18) will go out in January.

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**Old Business:**

- Challenger Center (Terry Flower): No news this month. An article will come out in the Newsletter.
- Facebook/Website status (Bob Hickcox): There were 183 views this last month mostly on the Events Page. Tri-Service had 66 views, 3 on the Education hub and 6 on Jobs. Great thanks to Bob Hickcox for making the site user friendly!!
- Program Events (Jason VanOverbeke): USAFA girls basketball will be at the Barn 3Dec18. Scotch tasting at the Flower's home will be 26Jan19. The Winter Dinner will be Saturday, 23Feb19. Next year's River Cruise will be on a Sunday 3-6 in the afternoon. There will be a Star of Bethlehem briefing by Terry Flower next month (date to be announced). Sandy Carlson brought up the possibility of have a day at Top Golf.
- COMMITTEE REPORTS:
  - Financial report (Rick Knoll): Acc't balance is \$10,177. This does not include \$650 for the River Cruise, \$1000 to the Parents' Club or the \$2000 to the ALO's.
  - Fund Raising (Tom Wilson): Still need volunteer to be POC. We decided we are not a candidate to have professional fund-raisers. Are any AOG members willing to go to local retailers asking for funds?
  - Newsletter (Ben and Jennie Schoenbauer): Next newsletter coming out soon. Always asking for articles!

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**Adjournment/Next Meeting**

**Next Meeting:** 11Dec18, 6PM, VFW/Amer Legion Post, 311 W. 84<sup>th</sup> St., Bloomington, MN

**Meeting Adjourned:** After discussion of all items, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn this meeting at: 1952 Hours.