



IMPROVEMENT THROUGH EDUCATION & NETWORKING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 22, 2026

PRESENT: President Mike Movius, Vice President Carol VanOrnum, Secretary/Treasurer Bill Miller, Directors Curt Fields, Andrew Mizzak, Jared Peatman, Melissa Wynn, and Cheryl McAuley.

EXCUSED: Vice President Steven Rauschkolb and Director David Hamon.

I. WELCOME: President Mike Movius called the Meeting to order at 3:07 PM Pacific.

II. CORPORATE BUSINESS

- a. Meeting Minutes: Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2026: APPROVED AS CORRECTED to note closure of Dallas CWRT approximately two years ago.
- b. Treasurer's Report: APPROVED.
- c. Committee Reports:
 - i. Ambassador: Curt noted that he returned from an engagement at the Lincoln Log Cabin near Charleston, IL. He discussed the outreach activities of the Congress with the program attendees.
 - ii. Communications/Grants: Carol commented that the development of forthcoming issue of *The Light Post* was progressing nicely. Moving to the topic of Grants, she noted the following:
 - *Inland Empire RT* is sending out fundraising requests for next year's event.
 - *Tennessee Valley RT* received a Grant to purchase and distribute rack cards and signage materials to enhance recruitment of new members. The TVCWRT President provided a report which outlined the results of their effort.
 - *Knoxville RT* is assessing battlefield signage placement locations for their initiative.
 - *Mid-Ohio RT* is continuing to promote the Buffington Island event on July 18.
 - *Quincy Gilmore RT* reported their recent Taste of History event was a success.
 - *Louisville RT* did not have a successful essay contest.
 - iii. Outreach: Andrew noted the development of a forthcoming *Light Post* article about the encroachment of Data Centers on VA battlefields. He also noted meeting the *Quincy Gilmore RT* President at the Taste of History event. He further commented about The Jackson Muster in Michigan next month, as well as the *Mid-Ohio RT* event.
- d. Board Appointment: Doug Risher's appointment to the position as Treasurer was APPROVED unanimously.

- e. Corporate Relations: Mike noted that *Aplos* will be using *Raisely* to collect donations. Mike and Doug will determine how that change will best be implemented.

III. CWRTC @ ECW – August 7

- a. Registrations as of 6/9 = 42: No change from last month.
- b. Logistics: Mike & Bill will meet at the Riddick House on Thursday at 1 PM for setup. Curt, Melissa, Jared and David need to arrive by 8:15 AM on Friday. Tyler McGraw, of the Bull Run Visitor Center, will undertake interviews of meeting participants.
- c. Program Review: Jared and David will continue their agenda development.

IV. PETERSBURG CONFERENCE – August 28-30

- a. Event Registration = 17 as of 6/22
- b. Go-No Go Decision TODAY: The Conference is cancelled upon the vote of the Board.
- c. Notifications: Will be sent to all parties immediately.
- d. Maintaining goodwill: Discussed honoraria to Will Green.
- e. Purchased goods inventory: Bill submitted inventory prior to the Meeting.

V. CONFERENCE V WORKSHOP – 2027

Mike initiated a general discussion which served as a post mortem of the cancellation of the Petersburg Conference, and ideas of where to conduct one-day workshops in 2027. WE will pursue a Workshop in Milwaukee and Frederick.

VI. CLOSE: After final comments from individual Board Members, the meeting was adjourned by President Mike Movius at 5:04 PM Pacific.