

Minutes of the 202nd Meeting of the AMCC held in Philadelphia, PA on 12/30/2023, hosted by Philadelphians MC.

President Joseph Gebbie called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

Roll Call

Present: Bay State Marauders, Centaur MC, C.O.M.M.A.N.D MC, D.C. Bear Club, Empire City MC, Excelsior MC, Harbor Masters of Portland Maine, Long Island Ravens MC, The Pennsmen, Philadelphians MC, Pocono Warriors, Potomac MC, ShipMates of Baltimore, Teddy Bear Leather Club of Virginia

Absent: Knight Hawks of Virginia, Mid-Atlantic Uniform League, Three Rivers Leather Club, Twilight Guard

Quorum was established.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Harbor Masters of Portland moved to accept the minutes of the 201st meeting. Seconded by Philadelphians MC. Motion passed.

Officer Reports

President: Joe Gebbie thanked the Philadelphians for hosting the AMCC meeting and for al their effort in reviving the Tri Cen event. He encouraged everyone to attend other club events as they can. All these events show that our community is alive and well.

Vice-President: Michael Kliewer thanked the Philadelphians for hosting the event, and although he is not attending Tri Cen, it seems like everyone is having an excellent time.

Secretary: Justin Sawyers reminded members that if they have any changes to their President and AMCC Representative contact info to email him or let him know after the meeting.

Treasurer: Paul Rose's full written report is appended at the end of this document. Paul thanked the Secretary for sending it out ahead of time. There were no questions for the Treasurer from those present.

Potomac MC moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded by the Excelsior MC. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Outreach:

Michael Kliewer stated that he had done some outreach mainly local to Pennsylvania pride events. Has talked to several outside clubs and made initial contact via Instagram. Slow but sure process of getting information out.

Peter Lloyd asked if a holiday greeting card had been to Clubs.

Michael affirmed that he had sent out holiday cards as goodwill gesture.

Historian:

Steven requested that Justin Sawyers resend the initial email regarding individuals that were interested in having a copy of the AMCC history for the Smithsonian. Justin agreed to resend email.

Steven James-Kliewer stated that he now at the point of getting all the past minutes into structured folders. We are still missing: 122 and 174, and he will include a page for minutes 188 that were never created. Scott Erickson will send pages that he had created.

Scott gave a reminder that the history and meeting minutes are now at the Leather Archives in Chicago, the Carter Johson Library in Baltimore, the Boston History Project, the Rainbow Project in DC, the Museum of Culture and History in Connecticut, and the New York Historical Society.

Webmaster: Mike Conley reported that the website is up to date and no issues. The online calendar is not run by Webmaster, but by Vice President. But no one knows how to access that Google calendar that feeds the widget anymore. A new Google calendar will be created and once done, the widget will be updated.

Old Business

None to discuss.

New Business

Club Voting Statuses

Two clubs that need to be addressed.

Teddy Bear Leather Club of Virginia now has 9 full members. Voting rights for the Club have been restored.

MAUL has not attended an AMCC meeting in quite some time, so they are in violation of the articles.

President Joe Gebbie was initially going to call for a vote of removal.

Jim Schofield asked if the proper notice had been given to the Club.

While it was noted that officers of AMCC have talked to MAUL and that previous messages had been sent regarding their need to attend meetings, it was determined that since there had been no official communication from the Secretary, then the vote for removal should be postponed until the next AMCC meeting.

It was also noted that MAUL did certify their member numbers in 2023 and recently provided the Secretary with contact updates for their leadership and AMCC representative.

The Secretary agreed to send notice to MAUL on behalf of AMCC.

DC Eagle Items

Peter Lloyd, of Potomac MC and past owner of the DC Eagle, asked the AMCC Board if they had asked Karen Taylor of the Shipmates to represent AMCC and demand removal of Club colors and memorabilia during the tumultuous weekend of its closing and sale.

The Board denied that they had given that permission to her or requested her to do that on behalf of AMCC. It is unknown where those items are currently. Kevin of the Shipmates said that he would do some follow up as well.

There was general discussion on the ownership of items in a bar/space and whether items were considered gifts to the bar/space or if ownership is retained by the Club.

Torrid Tuber

Joe Gebbie called for nominations for the Torrid Tuber.

Scott Erickson asked why we didn't leave it at the Belvedere.

Stephen Kliewer, on behalf of The Pennsmen, nominated The Philadelpians for having the smallest AMCC meeting space.

There were no other nominations.

More than half present voted in favor.

The Philadelphians graciously accepted this prestigious award and are very pleased to have brought the AMCC so close together and thank you all for being here.

Award for Excellence

The Philadelphians nominated the Shipmates of Baltimore for their Daddy Christmas event. It was not only a successful event in terms of raising funds for a worthy charity, but the diversity of attendees was noticeable especially with various genders which is more of what we need to see in our community.

There were no other nominations.

Joe Gebbie will present the Award to Shipmates at the next AMCC meeting.

Sanctioned Events 2024

May:

May 17-19, 2024 Excelsior MC will be hosting its 49th annual run on Fire Island.

July:

TBLC Campout will be July 26-28. The theme will be Castaway Bear and many are already determining their Gilligan's Island themed things. Generally the price for the weekend is around \$90.

October:

Empire City MC will be hosting their 60th Anniversary Dinner and Cruise over Columbus Day Weekend. They will be sending a request to the Vice President to request to host an AMCC meeting during this event.

November:

Paul Rose mentioned that Bucks MC would usually sanction their Santa Saturday event which occurs the Saturday after Thanksgiving, November 30.

December:

Empire City MC Christmas Holiday Festivities first weekend of December at Stonewall. (note this event is not a sanctioned event and will be added to the list of non-sanctioned events since ECMC chose this year to sanction their Anniversary dinner that will be occurring in October.)

The Philadelphians asked for clarification on the next AMCC meeting date. It was confirmed that the 2023rd meeting of the AMCC will be held in April 2024 during the Shipmates of Baltimore anniversary run.

Potomac MC asked to make a motion that AMCC not host a meeting prior to noon during a run. The Treasurer pointed out that the timing of the meeting is set by the hosting club. After discussion, it was generally agreed that a brotherly agreement would be to keep AMCC meetings to later hours.

Good & Welfare

Bay State Marauders: Would like to thank the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back.

Centaur MC: Would like to thank the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and

joining the 50+ club. And we look forward to seeing some of your faces in a couple weeks at MAL.

C.O.M.M.A.N.D. MC Would like to thank the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back.

DC Bear Club: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back.

Empire City MC: Would like to thank the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back. There will be changes to their usual week-long trip due to the cancellation of Bears, Bikers, and Mayhem for 2024. They are currently looking into what the new trip will look like.

Excelsior MC: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen bac and for their anniversary.

Harbor Masters of Portland, Maine: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary.

Long Island Ravens MC: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary. For those will be in NYC in March, our anniversary dinner will be March 23. Hotel info and such will be coming soon.

Pennsmen: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary. We recognize what a lot of blood, sweat, and tears can do.

Philadelphians MC: Would like to thank everyone for joining us for Tri-Cen and for our anniversary. We are pleased we were able to pull it off after such adversity and change of venue. Please join us for the Crankshaft NYE even if you are not attending the run as it is open to everyone. And thank you for the distinguished We continue to meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. First Monday meeting is at the Bike Stop. The 3rd Monday is on Zoom. We host a bar night on the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Bike Stop. If anyone would like to do a combined night do let us know.

Pocono Warriors

Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary. And wish everyone a wonderful and happy new year.

Potomac MC

Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary. And we would like to wish you every success in the future. We would also like to invite everyone who is attending MAL to join us for our Potomac MC party the Friday night from 8p-10pm.

ShipMates Club of Baltimore: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary. We invite everyone to our 50th anniversary on April 19-21, 2024, in Baltimore.

Teddy Bear Leather Club of Virginia: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary. Very glad to see that unlike in the past, Mr Lloyd, was not stuck in an elevator.

Three Rivers: Would like to congratulate the Philadelphians for hosting the run and bringing Tri-Cen back and for their anniversary.

Other Business

Update on Sean from Twilight Guard. He is still managing his cancer. He's gone through 38 rounds of chemo. He is a tank and he is keeping going. Just keep him in your thoughts.

President Joe Gebbie thanked everyone for reaching out to him while he is dealing with the situation with his mother. It's what makes this community great, and he is thankful.

President sought Motion for Adjournment. Philadelphians so moved. Empire City seconded.

President Joseph Gebbie adjourned the meeting at 11:09am.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Sawyers Secretary



AMCC TREASURER'S REPORT

FEBRUARY 25, 2023

FOR THE PERIOD 9/10/22-2/25/23

Beginning balance	4835.31	as of 9/10/22
	120.00	banners Bucks/Potomac/ShipMates/
		Three Rivers
	30.00	10 patches/Knight Hawks
	30.00	10 anniversary pins/Pennsmen
	30.00	banner/Knight Hawks
	501.00	donation/Potomac MC
	63.87	check #279 to Paul Rose/plaques
Ending balance	5482.44	as of 2/25/23
12 banners donated by JoAnn Wadsworth		
5 sold = 7 on hand		
228 patches on hand		
106 pins on hand		
Respectfully submitte	d <i>,</i>	
Paul Rose (SIGNED)		
TREASURER, AMCC		