

**Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers
West Point, NY**

Subject: BOSS Meeting Minutes

7 October 2009

The BOSS meeting was held on Wednesday, 7 October 2009 @ 1530hrs in the Buffalo Soldiers Pavilion (BSP).

The following Soldiers/Civilians were present:

SFC Malone	BAND/ BOSS President	SGT Wideman	MP Co.
Mrs. Miller	BOSS Advisor	SPC DiCampi	MP Co.
COL Bruno	Garrison Commander	SGT Lord	MP Co.
CSM M ^c Neirney	USAG	SPC Drown	MP Co.
James Gallagher	Commissary Rep	Ms. Overstreet	ACS
SGT Weber	VP BOSS	SSG White	MP Co.
Kim, Sung J.	MP Co.	SPC Smith	MP Co.
SGT Gallagher	MP Co	SGT Pudish	MP Co.
SSG Somers	MP Co	SPC Moss	MP Co.
SFC Lombardi	MP Co	SGT Christiansen	MP Co.
SPC Fraguda	MP Co	SGT Koch	MP Co.
Courtney Chidgey	MWR	SPC Dawson	MP Co.
1LT Mooney	MP Co	SSG Ramos	MP Co.
SPC Deleonardo	MEDDAC	PFC Clark	MP Co.
SPC Davis	DENTAC	SPC Thomas	HHC
SGT Heliker	MP Co.	SGT Brozek	USCC
SGT Garcia	MP Co.	Marilee Turner	CMS
SPC Waltho	MP Co.	CPT Bazdaic	MP Co.
SGT Stallings	MP Co.	1SG Bayse	HHC
SGT Davis	MP Co.	SPC Dean	MEDDAC
SPC Dalunha	MP Co	SGT Rafanan	MP Co.
1SG Perez	MEDDAC	SPC Lucent	MEDDAC

The meeting was called to order by President, SFC Malone

1. Guest:

- James Gallagher, Commissary
- Christina Overstreet- WP Volunteer Coordinator

2. Treasurers Report:

- Sheryle Miller briefed the meeting about the expenses and earnings that BOSS has had since the last meeting. The balance is at \$4200.00 in the BOSS account.

3. New Business:

- **10 Oct from 10am- 6pm: Year of the NCO Tailgate @ BSP**
 - Free food and refreshments will be provided throughout the day. Please stop by and enjoy!
- **13, 16 & 18 Oct 4pm- UTD: NY Knicks Basketball Games @ Madison Square Garden**
 - Transportation will be provided, will be leaving from the BSP @ 4pm.
 - Tickets still available for the 18th.
- **20 Oct: Soldier Show @ Ike Hall**
 - Need volunteers for set up and take down
 - Council will be manning I AM STRONG booth and ushering
- **30 Oct at 6pm: Haunted Hayride @ Round Pond**
 - Need volunteers to help man scenes and scare kids
- **31 Oct: BOSS Halloween Bash @ BSP**
 - Do we want to have a Halloween Bash this year? Who is willing to help plan, set up/take down decorations?
 - SPC Fraguda volunteered to help man committee.
- **Planning Committee for winter ski trip to VT**
 - Who would like to be on a committee to help plan a winter ski trip to VT, possibly for January?
- **Hudson Valley Transportation Provider**
 - There will only be one cab service allowed on post now that contract has been made. Set prices have been made for certain destinations, no matter how many people are in cab.
 - Please see flyer for details.
- **BOSS Recognition- Presidential Volunteer Award (Silver Award) for volunteer hours awarded to West Point**
 - SFC Malone thanks everyone for all their community service hours completed. We have completed the most community service hours compared to other posts DA wide in our award category (silver). Continue to volunteer and ensure that you turn in your hours to Sheryle, since BOSS helps to keep track of all hours completed through BOSS events.

4. Old Business:

- **16 Sep POW/MIA Ceremony @ Castle Point VA Hospital**
- **26-27 Sep Niagara Falls Trip (1st BOSS International Trip EVER!)**
- **26 Sep Kid's Bike Rodeo @ PX Parking Lot (Hosted by MPs)**
- **4 Oct Army 10 Miler @ Washington D.C**
- **BOSS Council Vacancy (Treasurer)**

5. Senior Leader's Remarks

- **COL Bruno** talked about the following:
 - **BOSS-** Proud of all the activities and community involvement BOSS has done recently. Believes it is a very good thing to have everyone on WP and surrounding community see all the good

events BOSS does for the Soldiers and to support the community. It is a very great program on post.

- **Commissary TV Giveaway-** It is good to see everyone here for the TV giveaway, good luck!
- **CSM McNeirney** talked about the following:
 - **ASU for Boards-** You can wear the ASU for any boards as long as it is worn properly per regulation. However, if board dictates that you must wear Class A uniform then you must wear what is prescribed. Also good to know what I AM STRONG is and what it is for.
 - **BSP Pricing-** Pricing for BSP rentals is under review. Building was renovated last year and BOSS has decided to rent out building to help raise funding for all events. All funds raised through rental program goes directly towards the BOSS program. The BSP is still free for all Soldiers living in the barracks. The main question for price changes is what is a good price for junior Soldiers/cadets?
 - **Commissary TV Giveaway-** Thank you James Gallagher for all the positive changes to the commissary (changes in layout and hours for example). Thank you for the chance to have the drawing for the TV donated by one of the vendors.

6. Well Being

- Updates on Old Well Being Issues
 - Fire Pit (SPC Tozier Requested)- Fire Department has Ok'd permits and installation, will need a POC for Fire Safety/Operation of fire pit.
 - POC will act to ensure fire safety rules/regulations are being met.
 - SGM McNeirney would like to know if Bldg 624 was interested in a Fire Pit of their own, since one being installed is behind Bldg 620.
 - BAS II (SGT Weber Requested)- Still pending, all information is currently at G4 for processing
 - Smoking Shelter for Barracks (1SG Cates Requested)- Would like to know about the possibility of using a parking space in lot between Bldg 620/624 to build an all weather smoking shelter for inclement weather.
 - Recycling Bin (SGT Ghigliotty Requested)- Have a bin at Bldg. 624, but would like a bin for Bldg. 620.

7. TV Drawing

- James Gallagher has Soldier draw name for TV- Congratulations SPC Dawson for winning TV!

Up to date BOSS information can be found on: <http://www.westpointmwr.com>

If you would like to plan a party or a special event at the Buffalo Soldier Pavilion (BSP), please contact SFC Jay Malone @ 8063 or Sheryle Miller @ 6497

Our meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month, unless otherwise noted. The next meeting will be on 4 November 2009 @ 1530 at the BSP.

Respectfully,
Jennifer Weber
BOSS Vice President