

AUSA Kuwait Chapter 8601
Executive Board Meeting
11 January 2007

1. The monthly Executive Board meeting was held at 0900 hours 11 January at the LeMeridian Hotel. Members present were Ivan Welch, John Homerin, Darrell Crawford, Jim Riley, Samar----, Beam Thompson, and Sam Thompson. Guests were Kathy Riley, Jeremy Howard, and Tom Schneider. Members absent were Dave Hill (in AUSA training in Europe), Salem----- sick, Frank Madrigal and Rich Vick, on vacation.
2. General Membership Meeting. It was agreed that the next General Membership Meeting would be held Thursday evening, 15 Feb 2007. We will attempt to have Agility (formerly PWC) sponsor the General Membership meeting with a briefing and tour of their logistics operation, followed by dinner. If for some reason that option cannot be supported we will hold the General Membership Meeting at the US Embassy and include a BBQ. If we conduct the General Membership Meeting at the Embassy it will need to be on a Monday night as opposed to Thursday the 15th of February.
3. Annual Golf Tournament. Darrell Crawford reported he had preliminary coordination to conduct the Annual Golf Tournament on 26 April at the Sahara Golf Course. It would start with a breakfast at 0645 hours followed by a 0745 Shotgun start with 144 players. We should be finished by 1300 hours when everyone can shower and clean up in preparation for a 1400 Luncheon and awards ceremony. The best cost we can expect is 45KD per person. The idea is to charge 50KD per son and make a profit for the chapter. Remembering that our overall objective is to raise enough money to send the Soldier and NCO of the Year to the Annual AUSA Convention in October. The goal is to make this a no cost opportunity to the soldier and a low cost opportunity to the field grade officers while still earning money for the chapter. We will solicit corporate sponsors to provide prizes. We will also launch a campaign with corporate sponsors and the general population to sponsor a soldier in this golf event. The idea is to have three soldiers and one corporate sponsor per flight and have the corporate sponsor fund the soldiers.
4. AUSA BQQ. We would like to organize an AUSA BQQ at NAVSTAR in the next 60 days. The idea is to invite the corporate sponsors to participate so that they have an opportunity to get to know American soldiers. We thought we could attempt to coordinate music provided by the Australian band and Rudy Morales who is a local American favorite.
5. The next Executive board meeting will be a brunch on 1 February at 1000 hours at the Riley's apartment (York Complex Flat #72).
6. The meeting adjourned at 1015 hours.

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