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Subject: Minutes of Board Meeting

1. The Meeting was opened by Vice-President Marcel Moreau at 7:00 PM, at 9803 S. 21st Circle, Bellevue NE. With 2 of 3 directors present, a quorum of the Board existed.

2. Attendance at the Meeting included:

Marcel Moreau George Ziska, Jr. Rick March Micah Petersen

3. The minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2025, were approved.

4. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer reported the following status, as of 30 April 2025: First Interstate Bank Checking Account: \$57,693.24; Fidelity Money Market: \$63,993.87, for a total of \$121,687.21.

5. Finance Director's Report: The following items were discussed:

A. AI Cans for 2 X 4's: No new developments.

B. 2025 Financial Plan: The final progress report on the 2025 fundraising goal of \$105,000, was that \$110,683 or 105.4% of the goal was raised. NE Fundraising was \$15,683 or 14.9% of the goal.

C. Proposed Tentative 2026 Fundraising Financial Plan for building a 3-BR/2-BATH Home with Removal of the Trailer and Trees; (Approval will be made when the 2026 Family is finally determined):

	Plan
(1) Church of Nativity:	\$95,000
(2) Offutt Base Chapel:	\$ 500
(3) Bowl-a-thon:	\$10,000
(4) Donations & Misc.:	<u>\$ 4,500</u>
Total:	\$110,000

D. New Ideas: None.

6. Old Business:

A. Update of Membership Roster: No new developments.

B. VA Connection (Bob Corsi): No new developments.

C. Crew Website (<http://www.accrow.org>): No new developments.

D. Colorado (CO) Connection (Corey Cinabro): Corey indicated that he would not be available as the Siding Crew Leader for 2026 Deployment.

E. Volunteer Recruitment in Bellevue: No new developments.

F. 2025 Deployment (Works started on Thurs, 29 May 25 and finished on Sun, 8 Jun 25): Kay Morrow reported that the Tucker Family moved into the their new home on 22 Jun 25. The Construction Director reviewed the attached home cost comparison from 2017 thru 2025. In 2025, Excavation and the Septic System increased significantly due to the Crew's first time hook-up to Whitley City sewer system. The foundation cost came in at about \$2,000 less than last year due a lower profile but it could have been a block higher to allow for the height needed for the crawl space door for the A/C equipment access. The Lumber King material costs were slightly lower but almost at nearly level from 2023 thru 2025. For example, the 450 2X4 wall stud cost \$3.79 each compared to pre-COVID price of \$2.25 and \$7.59 each during the COVID years. The Electrical, HVAC and Plumbing subcontractors all increased their costs from 6 to 12 percent from 2024, which is the main reason for the increased bill of over 2 percent paid to the Good Shepherd Mission. The Plumber's cost was higher mainly due adding the cost of low-profile HWH in again. The kitchen cabinets and other materials from Lowe's remained basically same as last year. The laminate flooring cost remained unchanged from last year, at \$4,000. An additional \$1,000 was included in the Good Shepherd Mission bill for the back wood drop-off fence to be built by the Good Shepherd Church from Cincinnati during the week of 13 Jul 25. Lowe's appliances (stove, refrigerator, and washer and dryer) were up to 7% over 2024 to \$2,584.76. Food costs were up about 7% over 2024, to \$2,559.69. We did not have a \$1,500 food van rental cost in 2025. In addition, to not having food van gas cost the VA volunteers' gas bill was lower, so the total gas cost was down over 40% compared to last year for a gas cost of only \$2,554.46. Overall, total expenses for the Tucker home was down by \$1,150.75, compared to last year, to \$100,014.48. Some lessons learned from this deployment included: (1) Switch to split jamb interior doors for easier installation and better in-stock availability at Lumber King; (2) Providing a light over the kitchen sink; (3) Increasing the framing allowance from 1-½ to 2 inches on the exterior wall kitchen cabinets for ensuring that stove opening is at or near 30 inches; (4) Be more diligent in getting the tools back in the right tool kits.

7. New Business:

A. Exit Meeting with Mark Roark, Lumber King Manager on 9 Jun 25: Discussed defective interior doors and apparent changes to the roof and porch trusses (shorter top chords) with a consistent horizontal overhang of 14 inches.

B. 2026 Deployment (Work starting on Thurs, 28 May 26): Discussed the two possible families, Mitchell and King, for next year, as shown on the attached 2026 Family Choices handout. Although Mitchell Family appears to be our preferred candidate, Vice President Marcel Moreau suggested that we check out the feasibility of the moving the Mitchell double wide trailer to replace the deplorable King trailer. The Construction Director will discuss this proposal further the group of advisory group of 4 before proposing this idea to Kay Morrow, our Good Shepherd Mission P.O.C. The Construction Director made reservations for St. Joe's Inn from Wed, 27 May 26 to Wed, 10 Jun 26, with Landlord Jim Barney on 22 Jun 25.

C. 2026 Crew Leaders: With departure of Jerry Leonard, Bob Colella will take over as the Finish Crew Leader and Paul Piraino will remain as the Assistant Finish Crew Leader. With Corey Cinabro not available, as the Siding Crew Leader in 2026, the Construction Director will send an email to Art Rupinen about take over this job for one year.

D. Trailer Repairs and the Parking Spot: Upon return, the Construction Director and trailer owner, personally paid Predator Trailers to make the following repairs: (1) Replaced the Right Fender; (2) Re-greased the Wheels; (3) Replaced 4 tires which passed their 10-year life; (4) Checked the Breakaway Battery which gave two warnings that it was not charging at the beginning of the return trip; however, the battery checked out OK. The Galaska Family have indicated that the trailer's parking spot on their property will end in May 26. Although the Construction Director has information for possibly parking the trailer on Offutt AFB, getting the trailer to a parking spot there, could be difficult due to the crowded appearance of this on-base area. Vice President Marcel Moreau will check out the possibility of allowing the trailer to be parked on the property where he stores his pick-up camper.

8. The Crew Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM. Our next Meeting is set for 7:00 PM, Thurs, 14 Aug 25, at 9803 S. 21st Circle.

George Ziska, Jr.
Secretary