SC Chapter 30 173d Airborne Brigade Association Monthly Meeting September 12, 2015

Chapter 30 meeting was called to order by President Lester Yeargin, at 1200 hours.

Invocation was given by Chaplain Wako. The membership recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The toast to Fallen and POW/MIA was given by Jesse.

Secretary report (Jesse) The minutes from the August 8, 2015 meeting was read. It was motioned and seconded that they be approved with the corrections, if there be any.

Treasurer and membership report was given (Wendell) Chapter 30 available balance is \$3,262.50. It was motioned and seconded that \$2,000.00 be placed back into the chapter treasury account. Membership is still, currently at 116 members.

Vice-President Report. (Wako) reported on several incidents concerning violations of "Stolen Value" policy, and that we are to be aware of and to confront those who violate this policy.

Corresponding Report: (Allen) indicated that some work is being accomplished, although work scheduling has prevented any major's progress.

Chaplain Report. (Wako) Spoke on the problems that veterans are having relating to war time experiences such as "flash backs", sleeplessness, hostility and anger. He suggested that to obtain some relief, reading the novel, Tears of a Warrior, a novel that we can relate to.

Sergeant O Arms (Jesse) Reported on the Veteran Day Parade and after a brief discussion, chapter 30 will participate. Jesse will coordinate the detail and submit the necessary paperwork.

Quartermaster Report (Wayne). Chapter 30 items and clothing are still available for sale although some items are running low, and the new challenge is ready for purchase.

President Report (Lester) reinrated on the discussions and comments make by the National President for the 173d Association, Roy Scott. He clearly wanted the membership to know that no disrespect was intended during his comments and visit. Lester reminded everyone that the November meeting will be in Clinton, SC

Lester reported to the members that all his goals that he had set for himself and the chapter to accomplish have been obtained.

Reunion Report (Wayne) Wayne provided a detail report on the progress of the reunion. He stated that some hotel rooms are already full, however, check and see what is still available. He explained the procedures for our members to get properly registered and what will be our cost. The reunion registration is going well and more have registered at this point than in the past. Wayne asked the members their thoughts on bringing and displaying the Cobra helicopter at the reunion. All agreed that it was a good idea. The driver for the Cobra is also a DJ and will handle the music portion of the reunion.

Those members who were in attendance were; Lester, Waco, Jesse, "Top", Wayne, Edger Golden & Jan, Johnny Graham & Ann, Wendell & Carolyn, Jimmie Gilley, Bill & Judy, Allen, Aguila, Johnny Mayo & Ruthie, Ramona, Walt & Betty, and Bright & Gwendolyn.

Respectfully submitted, J.L. Beacham, Secretary