

Minutes of CBFA meeting, September 10th, 2006 in Lewes, Delaware

We convened at 12M on the flag-bedecked deck of Ted Spencer's house. A round of welcome and introductions was followed by eating.

The consensus was to keep CBFA as an informal group, more social than scholarly because we all enjoyed the chance to have flag discussions informally and find out what each other was doing. So, to that end, we decided to delay any mission statements, officers elections, dues collections and other structural issues. Jack Lowe will remain in charge of organizing meetings and the other members will provide content. Peter Turek will continue to be in charge of the website, which has just been launched at <http://cbfasite.tripod.com/> He will talk to Jon Radel about the possibility of getting an ad-free site. All CBFA members are encouraged to provide Peter with material to be posted on the site. Appropriate items would be, for example, notes about flags in the region, personal flags, news of research or other flag-related activities that people are doing, notices of any meetings that might be interesting, notices of articles you've seen in the press, reviews of vexillological literature you have read, etc.

We noted the absence of Nick Artimovich because many were itching to spend money on his flag "goodies."

Peter Turek surprised us with a CBFA flag which he had had made up. The sea-blue and navy-blue colors were glorious in the sunshine. Peter will be bringing it to all future meetings.

Peter Ansoff has not yet convened the preliminary organizing committee to begin planning for a FIAV (Federation of International Vexillological Associations) congress in the Washington-Baltimore area in August 2011. He will do so after the Reno NAVA congress this October. A number of CBFA members are planning to go to Reno. If any one is hesitating because of costs, please contact Jack Lowe. It may be possible to hook you up with another single attendee and save money on the hotel cost.

Various flags were shown and discussed and then we ate some more (many thanks to Sara Spencer and Ted and Sara's daughter, Abigail, who served a cake with flag-design icing. Vexillolicious!

We will ask Nick Artimovich if he can arrange for us to have a meeting at Fort McHenry in November. If not, we will meet on Saturday, November 18th, 2006 at the home of Daniel Broh-Kahn in Phoenix, Maryland (northern suburbs of Baltimore)

Meeting ended at 3:00 PM.

Attendees: Peter Ansoff, Daniel Broh-Kahn, Tom Carrier (via telephone), Jack Lowe, John Merrill, Jon Radel, Ted Spencer, and Peter Turek