

Major Dylan Potter, Adjutant

24 Smith Corner Rd • Plaistow, NH 03865 • adjutant@redcoat.org http://www.redcoat.org

Command Staff Meeting Agenda Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 7:30 PM Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/...

Attendees: Michael Graves, Dylan Potter, Paul O'Shaughnessy, Lenny Torto, Shaun Timberlake, Bob Falotico, Ken Mental, Justin Murray, Khal Antar, Jonathan DeRosa, Wren Werner

Meeting called to Order: 7:34 PM

- I. Opening Remarks (Michael Graves): Thank you to everyone for Patriots Day. I think it came off really well, and we received compliments on our organization. I hosted an NCO meeting on Sunday, which went well and we established goals.
- II. Meeting minutes, April 8, 2025: APPROVED

III. Lexington Green and Battle Road De-brief:

- a. There was issue was that drums didn't bang out first beat when command to "March." Microphones possibly interfered with the "Drum Major" hearing the command.
- b. There was a walk-on person by the Harrington House. Commend the Harrington shooters for safely working around the person. The person was a re-enactor from from Lamb's Artillery.
- c. The NCOs are putting together an assessment of Battle Road. Some issues were that there was no clear direction for the medical team and no means of getting people back. Several members dropped out at Hartwell Tavern. None of the staff knew where the medical staff was and did not know where the buses were running or how. The buses wouldn't stop for our members.
- d. Delays from NPS made the heat worse. This event was not well organized by NPS
- e. We need to have a meeting with NPS before next year to resolve these issues. Other unit commanders have expressed the same desire.
- IV. Quartermaster Updates: See Enclosure 1 for the Quartermaster's Report
- V. Paymaster Updates:
 - a. See Enclosure 2 for the Paymaster's Report

- b. Grant Program from Meet Boston: Dylan and Lenny will work on the application and seek \$10,000. Most awards are \$2,500 \$5,000
- c. Grenadier Hangers:
 - i. only one hanger left.
 - ii. Will cost \$1190 to order 7 more
 - iii. unanimous vote to purchase 7 more hangers to bring total to 20

VI. Recruit Updates

- a. Swore in 7 new privates on Patriots Day
- b. Bring back RTG Program:
 - i. Dylan to update contact and location sheet
 - ii. Especially helpful for recruits joining in middle of year
- c. Recruit school went well this year

VII. Recruiting Committee Updates

- a. 4 inquiries but none too serious.
- b. Some people are concerned about schedule and/or costs;
- c. Will have recruiting tent at Bunker Hill and request volunteers to help out. It will not be a huge time commitment

VIII. Updated Return

- a. Company Updates / Personnel Changes
 - i. Vin to Grenadiers May 17th
 - ii. Contact inactive members to decide if the hobby is still for them
- b. Updated return sent out May 5th
- c. Highquality recruits have been joining
- d. Other units are looking to us to see how we organize things
- e. Compliments to our members who put in the extra work

IX. Colours Update

- a. Still trying to find someone to appraise the Colours
- b. Paul O'Shaughnessy knows someone at Lexington Museums who is a flag collector

X. Regimental Silver

- a. Some of the silver left over from the old Regimental Association. We have been asked if we would like to purchase some of the items.
- b. Currently going back and forth with a contact on the possibility to purchase some.
- c. Possible GoFundMe to crowdsource.

XI. Upcoming Events and Event Updates

- a. Bristol Raids May 17th (Paid Event \$2000)
 - i. Meeting on Thursday, May 8

- ii. 10:00 2:30
- iii. two events (morning bombardment + afternoon raid)
- b. Filming Request May 18th (\$500 donation)
 - i. Not feasible
- c. Battle of Chelsea Creek May 24th (Paid Event \$1500)
 - i. 11:00 4:00
 - ii. Brief firing demos
 - iii. Talk to crowd
- d. Memorial Day Parade May 26th (Paid Event \$1500)
- e. School Visit June 1st
 - i. Michigan school group
 - ii. Talk for half an hour outside Buckman Tavern at 9:00
 - iii. Usually receive \$1000 donation
- f. Job Lane School
 - i. June 3rd
 - ii. Several volunteers (4-5)
 - iii. Usually receive \$500 donation
- g. Bunker Hill
 - i. June 21-22
 - ii. Commanders walkthrough on May 18th
 - iii. Bob to report back after walkthrough
 - iv. Wall tents and wedge tents, but no marquees
- h. OSV Meeting De-Brief
 - i. April 30th meeting
 - ii. Dates firm for 2025 and 2026 (1st weekend of August)
 - iii. Not going to be the host after this year
 - iv. 2026 dates conflict with Long Island 250
- i. Saint-Jean
 - i. Paul O'Shaughnessy heading up to Canada to plan for the event this August
- XII. Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 3rd

Meeting adjourned: 9:00PM

ENCLOSURE 1 – QUARTERMASTER REPORT

From Paul O'Shaughnessy:

New construction:

- Cartridge Pouches two in process, two more expected from Lenny and Mike.
- Maple blocks and brass badges in process
- Running low on white belt leather
- An additional cartridge pouch cypher needed
- 2 Match-cases needed for Grenadier recruits
- 4 "x" belt plates in process

Musket:

- Just taken on a used Pedersoli Bess in very good condition
- Three additional Bess restorations in process, to be completed over summer.

Recent repairs:

- Replaced stripped screws and lost pins
- Miroku musket barrel for Col's Co'Y soldier. The cleaning jag had become jammed inside, unable to remove. Removed the breech plug, but the tang cracked. The plug was remachined and installed. Meeting up to check fit this weekend.
- One Grenadier bayonet bent, working on repair.
- One match-case reported in need of repair.
- Noticing some newer slings are stretched leather is a bit thin. Need to shorten and repunch 4x hole patterns at lower swivel.

From Leonard Torto:

This report reflects purchases and issuances of Regimental property for the Month of April 2025 only:

Purchases:

- 50 meters of Regimental Lace
- 50 yds of Hemp rope
- Black horn buttons for gaiters and leggings (200)
- 6 pair of new Black canvas gaiters
- Regimental coat lining 10 yds
- Haversack kits (6)
- Buckles and Straps for new garters (9 pair)
- White leather waistbelts with double frogs (4)
- White leather Cartridge pouch belts (3)

Supplies issued:

- Materials (wool, lace, buttons, lining) for three (3) new Regimental coats
- Garters (3 pair)
- Stockings (2 pair)
- Grenadier hangers (2)
- wigs (2)
- Grenadier bearskin cap (1)
- cocked hat (1)

ENCLOSURE 2 – PAYMASTER'S REPORT

Bank balance as of 30April2025: USD 9,661.36 PayPal balance as of 30April 2025: USD 3,309.41

Cheques issued in April 2025: USD 4,493.00

For Patriot's Day buses, Quartermaster purchases, Gratuity to St. Bridgit's

Deposits made: Eastern Bank USD 1,914.26

PayPal USD 1,096.40

Accounts Receivable:

8 invoices to Regimental members: USD 1,212.00

Accounts Payable:

Money owed to Officers who have paid for goods/services USD 1,018.86