Alaska Military History Museum Advisory Task Force
Meeting Notes
November 13, 2018 – Anchorage

Teleconference Meeting with VTC set up at Anchorage Airport and at DOT&PF HDQ in Fairbanks.

Meeting called to order by Chair Paul Dunscomb at 2:10 p.m.

Task Force Members Present: Ric Davidge, Mike Haller, Jim Renkert, Craig Fleener, Russell Vanderlugt, Angela Linn
DOT&PF: John Binder, Linda Bustamante

Others on the Phone: Carole Anderson, Bianca Carpeneti

Chair Dunscomb – discussed the action items in the initial report submitted to the governor on October 1, 2018. It was recommended that four sub-committees be formed to help investigate aspects of larger issues identified in the initial report. The Chair reviewed the four sub-committees and asked task force members to select which committee they wanted to serve on.

Capacity Building Committee: Explore means to coordinate activities, share information, and exchange artifacts and materials between public (state and federal) and private institutions within the state. Examine possible consortium arrangements to assist smaller museums with the storage and curation of collections, records, and archives. Create a robust network for collaboration and sharing of materials online, digitally or virtually.
Members: Chair Michael Haller, Angela Linn, Russ Vanderlugt, Ric Davidge, Paul Dunscomb

Designation, Protection, Preservation and Disposition Committee: State designation and protection of historical sites wherever occurring within the state. The disposition of state-owned properties of historical significance or instrumental in assisting the collection, curation, display of Alaska’s military history.
Members: Chair Dennis Parrish, Ric Davidge, Jim Renkert, Paul Dunscomb

Current State Responsibilities Committee: Address immediate and long-term needs of museums, libraries, archives and special collections maintained by the state.
Members: Chair Angela Linn, Craig Fleener, Paul Dunscomb

Public History and Awareness Committee: Creation of academic and/or professional training and certification programs in Public History to assist current and future efforts to capture and preserve Alaska’s history. Promote programs to increase historical mindedness among the public and engage individuals, veterans and active duty personnel in the preservation of Alaska’s military history.
Members: Chair Paul Dunscomb, Michael Haller, Jim Renkert, Russ Vanderlugt
**Discussion Item:** It was suggested a peer review board be established to help with military publications. This may fall under the purview of the Capacity Building Committee.

**Next Meeting** not officially set but possibly in January 2019.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.**