

# **DAV Space Coast Chapter 123**

### **General Meeting Minutes**

2/9/2023

Opening ceremony: CC, Sergeant at Arms.

2. Roll call of officers: CC, SV, JV, Treasurer, Ajdutant, Bill Myers, Russ Graddick, Don Flammio, Bob Doyle, Pete Harding, Cliff Clifford, Pat Gant, Kevin Knowles, Joe Testa, Skip Taylor, Ernie Hoffman, John Bibby, and new trainee Bob Buhholz. Excused were Ginny Zoller, Ben Zoller and Bill Benagh.

3. Introduction of Visitors: No visitors present.

- 4. Approval of General Meeting Minutes: 1 12 2023 Gen, Mtg minutes posted to Chapter web-site. Motion to approve. Bob Doyle made the motion, seconded by Russ Graddick.
- 5. Treasurer's report: Status of accounts. Unusual donations X 2 by IRCC. Thanks Skip!

6. Sickness and distress: Rodger Russ Graddick cataract surgery.

- 7. Applications for membership transfers (and action thereon): Three new members /four tansfers approved, signed and forwarded. Highest percentage of goal in Department. Thanks George!
- 8. Introduction of new members: Bob Buchholz.
- 9. Reading of communications: Adjutant. 3 from DAV, one regarding Viet Nam reunion.

10. Committee reports:

- a. Leadership and Benefits. Skip Taylor volunteered in writing to take over.
- b. Welfare. Russ Graddick recovering from cataract surgery.

c. Entertainment. .

- d. Finance. Treasurers Report, Annual Financial Report, contributions. Unusual contributions by IRCC. Blue Badge and Christmas auctions. Thanks to Skip.
- e. Nominating committee. For Chapter Elections. This General Meeting. Skip, Joe, John, Russ and Bill M volunteed to serve. Current Slate intends to run again. Skip volunteered in writing to head Leadership and Benefits Committee.
- f. Forget-me-nots. N/A
- g. Membership. Chapter exceede quota in 2022 by greatest margin in Department. 3 new, 4 transfers.
- h. Awards. Presentation of Veteran Service Medals.
- i. Grants. N/A

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#### 11. Unfinished business:

- Update on <u>Accreditation</u> for Chapter Commander, Adjutant, DSO's. Grooten, Myers, McGuire, Gant in process.
- b. Tax Exempt Certificate. Renewed. Good through 2027.
- c. AED training. Ongoing. Online at Red Cross, AED access.
- d. NARCAN. Action TBD.
- e. <u>Nominations</u> for election of Chapter Officers (Commander, Senior Vice, Junior Vice, Chaplain, Treasurer). Nominating Committee elected in this month. Skip, Joe, John, Russ and Bill M volunteed to serve.

#### 12. New business;

- a. Chapter Officer elections process begins in February 2023. Elections in April.
- b. Viet Nam and All Veterans Reunion. May 4<sup>th</sup> -> 7<sup>th</sup>. Wickham Park. Wreath to be laid Monday 5/1/2023 at 5PM (cueue). 6PM laying. New wreath needed. Banners discussed and put on hold. Jenn Cook and Jenny volunteers to be place holders. As many Service Officers as possible in black DAV 123 shirts are requested.
- c. Merritt Island Attorney will handle cases pro-bono. Contact info on Adjutants
- d. Fire Watch classes and certification at VMC. See Bob and Christie.
- e. <u>District 4 training</u> to be scheduled by Department and NSO.
- f. Adjutant on Travel: 3/1 until 3/14.
- 13. Good of the order. Joe Testa brought up Aid & Attendance detail.
- 14. Memorial ceremony: Moment of silence. Read names of those departed. Ringing of Ship's bell.
- 15. Adjourn. Ernie Hoffman made the motion, seconded by Bill Myers.