

**Disabled American Veterans  
Minneapolis Chapter One  
Chapter Meeting Minutes**

Date: 5/1/2018 Meeting called to order at:5:29 pm

1. OPENING CEREMONY BY THE COMMANDER

- Call to Order
- Opening Prayer by the Chaplain
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Single Purpose Message
- Meeting Declared Open

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2. ROLL CALL BY THE ADJUTANT:

Role	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
<b>Board Members</b>				
Commander	Kline	X		
Sr Vice	Schilling	X		
1 <sup>st</sup> Jr Vice	Carlson	X		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Jr Vice	Trisko		X	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Jr Vice	Hunt	X		
Adjutant	Paul	X		
Treasurer	Hentz	X		
Chaplain	Nesheim	X		
<b>Staff Members</b>				
CSO	Campero	X		
Legislative Advisor	Johnson	X		
Transition Advisor	McKenna	X		
Transition Advisor	LeTourneau	X		

3. VISITORS/GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS

- Visitors: None
- Guest Speakers: Guest Speaker's Presentation: Augsburg & Normandale Fellows
  - Mark Elmore (Normandale): Described his Service to School project (on-boarding process). Allen (Normandale) manages the scholarship/fellow program – thanked DAV Chapter 1 for the support. In addition, Commander Kline read a note from Jane Fenton (Normandale) who also expressed her appreciation of the support that DAV Chapter 1 provides
  - Trent Pearson (Augsburg): Described his, Sarah's and Todd's work with Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday and donation/distribution events. They also plan to spread the word to Inver Grove Community College and other local schools regarding veteran's issues and resources. The Augsburg team developed leadership skills and experience this year and pledge to continue veteran related activities on campus in the future.
- Member's First Meeting: None
- New Members – Sworn in: Rick Storlie, Stephenie Turbett, Chuck Cohn

4. APRIL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING & CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

- The minutes are posted on the bulletin board at the back of the room.
- Motion to approve as submitted by Campero, seconded by Powell, carried.

5. CHAPLAIN TO REPORT OF MEMBER SICKNESS/DISTRESS/DECEASED

- Sickness: None
- Distress: None
- Deceased: No list was available
- Moment of Silence for the Departed Comrades -Members stood and saluted.

6. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS

- a) Chapter by-laws – Schilling will lead the updating
- b) Computer, E-Blast: First meeting with the consultant was May 7<sup>th</sup>. Second will be Held on May 24<sup>th</sup> with the Adjutant.
- c) Free MN Twins tickets will be managed by Mark J, using email.

7. NEW BUSINESS & GENERAL INFORMATION

- a) Review of FMN events in May - Commander
  - May 8 - Teamsters (McKenna, Kline, Paul to pick up the donated clothes)
  - May 10-12 Maple Grove Sam's Club
  - May 17-19 Shakopee Sam's Club
  - May 17-19 Edina Cub Foods
  - May 26-28 Mandalorian Navy
- b) Incarcerated vet's issues – Past CMDR LeTourneau: Next fall, a report will be given.
- c) Chapter Yearly Financial Report – To receive the form in June. LeTourneau to lead the audit committee.
- d) David Cooley spoke regarding the possible privatization of the VA healthcare system. He read 3 recommendations that could be brought up at the DAV Convention. Motioned by Johnson, seconded by Schofield, carried.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Legislative Committee: Commander  
Tommy Johnson was requested by the Executive Committee to recommend what Chapter 1 should pursue regarding Hennepin County's resistance to change their position regarding helping homeless vets.
- b) Membership & Meeting Attendance Committee – Update by Sr. Vice  
Per the April 23<sup>rd</sup> report, our goal was 29-30 new members. We are now 15 above the goal (48 new members counting the ones now in process). Our membership is currently at ~3407. Chapter 1 has gained 8-16 members from Chapter 8, but they don't count as new members. To mail new member application to National until June 15<sup>th</sup>; to resume July 1<sup>st</sup>.

c) Finance & Fundraising Committee - Update by Treasurer

1) Review highlights from April's Profit & Loss

9) DISCUSS/APPROVE REQUESTS FOR DONATIONS - Commander

a) To request a donation of \$1500 to DAV State Golf tournament (for transportation) and \$500 to sponsor two golf carts. Motion to approve: Campero, 2<sup>nd</sup>: LeTourneau

b) To request a motion to donate \$200 to MACV Salute to Servicewomen Golf Classic. Motion to approve: Johnson, seconded by Hamann, carried.

c) Regular Donations: To donate \$40/mo for 6-5-4 for May, July and August. Motion to approve: Johnson, seconded by Campero, carried.

d) Fellowship at Augsburg College (\$3,000) – This was previously approved, but predicated on the requirement to have an on-site vet's coordinator.

e) **Fiscal year donations made or already approved** - A pie chart summary and individual donations are posted on the bulletin board in the back of the room.

f) Jim Lee spoke about his veteran friend (John Nelson, a DAV life member) who passed from ALS recently. He requested a \$100 donation to the ALS Foundation in Nelson's memory. Motion to approve by Nesheim, seconded by LeTourneau, carried.

10) OPEN DISCUSSION BY COMMANDER

a) Annual DAV Convention in Rochester (May 3-5, 2018). The departure time for those riding in the van that the Adjutant will lease will be 3:30pm on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Motion to approve up to \$500 for the van and up to \$250 for 1st time attendees. Motioned by Hamann, seconded by Campero, carried

b) Emilio Munoz: Donated a check for \$100 from the Blue Knight's motorcycle club to Chapter

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c) Commander asked if a summer picnic would be of interest (if \$15,000 was raised during the May FGMN events). McKenna volunteered to lead the planning committee.

11) GOOD OF THE ORDER ACTIVITIES

a) Choice of short sleeve shirt, sweatshirt or a \$50 gift card to Rudolph's BBQ (this required a minimum donation of \$10).

Gift card winners: Todd (Augsburg) Hunt, Tommy Johnson, Jim Ittel, Emillo Munoz, Doug Scofield, Jim Lee, Tom McKenna, John Murray, Fred Johnson.

Shirt/Sweatshirt winners: John Kalbach, John Fodstad, Luis Campero, Yvonne Bradford

b) 50/50: \$38 won by Powell.

12) CLOSING CEREMONIES

- a) Single Purpose Reminder – Commander
- b) Purpose of Gathering – Commander
- c) Salute to the Flag – Commander
- d) Prayer by - Chaplain
- e) Date of next Chapter Meeting – Commander
- f) Declaration of Adjournment - Commander

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:28 pm