

Disabled American Veterans Minneapolis Chapter One

Chapter Meeting Minutes

Date: September 3, 2019

1. OPENING CEREMONY BY THE COMMANDER:

- Call to Order: 06:58 pm
- Opening Prayer: Chaplin
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Single Purpose Message:

"Empowering veterans to lead high quality lives with respect & dignity. This is accomplished by ensuring the following:

- I. That veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them.*
- II. Fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill.*
- III. Educating the public about the sacrifice and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life.*

2. ROLL CALL BY THE ADJUTANT:

Role	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Board Members				
Commander	Schilling	X		
Sr Vice	Carlson	X		
1st Jr Vice	Johnson		X	X
2nd Jr Vice	Campero		X	
3rd Jr Vice	McGuire		X	
Adjutant/Treasurer	Turbett	X		
Chaplain	Hunt	X		
Past Commander	Kline	X		
Staff Members				
CSO	Campero		X	
Legislative Advisor	Campero		X	
Fundraising Advisor	Hentz	X		
IT	Wytonick	X		
Transition Advisor	McKenna		X	
Outreach	LeTourneau	X		
NSO/Benefits Advisor	Kalbach		X	
NSO/Benefits Advisor	Schultz		X	

3. VISITORS/GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS:

- Visitors: Joe Camp – Marine Corps. Came with Jim Lee
- Guest Speakers: NONE
- Member's First: Garry Thompson - Army
- New Members to be sworn in: Garry Thompson

4. JULY 31ST AND AUGUST 28TH EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING & LAST CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES:

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

5. MEMBER ILLNESS OR IN DISTRESS REPORT BY CHAPLAIN:

- Illness: Radcliff
- Deceased: Gerald W. Ballard Ronald B. Larsom Daniel J. Sandstrom
 Frank J. Baloun Gilbert B. Lansdale Donald Schafer
 Milton C. Hansen Maurice P Murphy John F. Segner
 Jerome M. Jeske Gerald M. Norton Thomas V. Seman
- Moment of Silence for the Departed Comrades – Members please stand and salute.

6. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Establish and Audit Committee
 1. Hentz, McKenna and Johnson to be assigned to Audit Committee. Annual Financial Report due by 30 September 2019.
- b. Chapter #1 Annual Picnic at Big Marine Lake, 24 August 2019 – Sr. Vice Carlson reported:
 1. 52 persons attended
 2. Booked for next year August 22, 2020.
- c. VAMC monthly visitation – C. Harold reporting
 1. 19 persons attended (12 chapter #1, 7 Chapter #2). Chapter #2 has list of rooms and places to go.
 2. Use of script (\$250 of script issued, \$40 returned, \$210 worth was given)
 - a. Recommend \$300 script for September (still using \$1500 from DAV Foundation funds. \$5 books to buy next time, 4th Sunday of the month.
- d. National Convention
 1. Attended by Joel Schilling and 2 NSO's, Derek Schultz and John Kalbach, guest Yvonne Killeen (wife of Joel Schilling)
 2. 1089 delegates, 50+ service dogs, Minnesota had 72 delegates.

3. Chapter #1 is 6th largest of 1284 chapter in the nation.
 4. Stephen Whitehead elected National Commander!
 5. National By-Law Change of new membership rate of \$300 flat fee for those less than 80 years old, Official rate increase is 1 January 2020.
7. NEW BUSINESS & GENERAL INFORMATION:
- a. DAV MN Fall Conference October 3-5 Minneapolis, MN Training for CSO's is October 3, 4-5 training.
 1. The conference will take place at the Minneapolis Marriott Northwest.
 2. Room Rates: \$105 per night, room block rate expires September 4.
 3. Registration Cost is \$40 per person and will cover Friday Dinner and Saturday Breakfast. The other meals are on you own.
 4. The department needs to know ASAP who will be attending so they can plan accordingly. They are stressing no last-minute attendance. There will be no credentials or delegate reporting forms. The Commander or Adjutant needs to inform the department who will be attending.
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- a. Legislative Committee: Campero
 1. No Report
 - b. MEMBERSHIP - Sr. Vice Report: Numbers 3237 members, 49 below goal, gain 3year to date. Plan to sign up 15 members for Sept., 15 members for Oct., 15 members for Nov. Need to reach GOAL BEFORE RATE INCREASE!
 Kline: 1 month to 6 weeks to process membership at DAV Headquarters.
 Schilling: Anything post marked beforehand will be honored.
 - c. Treasurer
 - Review highlights from Profit & Loss
 - 2018-2019 Battle Streamer Letter
 - d. Donation Committee: Commander
 - \$810.51 approved by Commander/Adjutant for 100% disabled female post 9/11 veteran for transport related issues and \$1000 approved by Commander/Adjutant to assist hospitalized veteran to hire moving company to move primary residence.
9. OPEN DISCUSSION BY COMMANDER:
- a. Hospital Visit coordinator role:
 - Who will head the effort: C. Harold volunteered
 - Chuck has stepped away from this position and we are seeking a new member(s).
 - VAVS (Veteran Administration Volunteer Services) suggestion donation sheet was presented to the chapter for alternative donations.

- \$1,500 from foundation for \$1.00 script (coupon book)
- b. Picnic for August 24, 2019 at Veterans Campground on Big Marine Lake
 - Assign picnic coordinator: signup sheet offered
 - Need members to volunteer
 - \$500 for picnic expense – present to the Chapter
- Motion to approve as submitted by Gagnon, seconded by J. Lee, carried.
- c. Questions?

10. GOOD OF THE ORDER ACTIVITIES:

- a. Winners: D. Schultz, J. Kline, M. Mortrud, J. Kelly, R. Kopischke, E. Emerson

11. CLOSING CEREMONIES:

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| a. Single Purpose Reminder | Commander | |
| b. Purpose of Gathering | Commander | |
| c. Salute to the Flag | Commander | |
| d. Prayer | Chaplin | |
| e. Annual Picnic | Commander | Saturday August 24, 2019 |
| f. Date of Next Chapter Meeting | Commander | Tuesday September 3, 2019
(Day after Labor Day) |
| g. Declaration of Adjournment | Commander | |

12. ADJOURN:

Motioned by J. Schilling, seconded by S. Turbett carried.

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:09pm

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Monday – Friday 8:00am-3:00pm