

**Disabled American Veterans Minneapolis Chapter One**  
**1515 East 66<sup>th</sup> Street, Richfield MN 55423**  
**Chapter Meeting Minutes**

**Date: May 2, 2023**

**1. OPENING CEREMONY BY THE COMMANDER:**

- Call to Order: Meeting Declared Open at 6:45PM
- Opening Prayer
- 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:**

<b>Role</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Excused</b>
<b>Board Members</b>				
Commander	Johnson, Wm	X		
Sr Vice	Hunt	X		
1st Jr Vice	Cargill	X		
2nd Jr Vice	Campero	X		
3rd Jr Vice	Tait	X		
Adjutant	Schilling			
Treasurer	Turbett	X		
Chaplain	Tesmer	X		
<b>Staff Members</b>				
CSO	Campero	X		
Legislative Advisor	Campero	X		
IT	Wytonick	X		
Transition Advisor	McKenna	X		
Outreach	LeTourneau	X		
	Velardi			
	Dawson			X
NSO/Benefits Advisor	McWilliam		XX	(Velardi)

**3. VISITORS/GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS:**

- Visitors:
- Guest Speakers:

- Member's First Meeting: Steve Chase, Debra Johnson, Freddie Barbeau
- New Member's to be sworn in: Steve Chase, Debra Johnson, Freddie Barbeau

4. MEMBER ILLNESS OR IN DISTRESS REPORT BY CHAPLAIN:

- Illness:
- Deceased:
- Moment of Silence for the Departed Comrades we have lost.

5. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

Future Membership Meetings

- May 2, 2023 Chapter Meeting
- July 26, 2023 Executive Board Meeting
- Aug 19, 2023 Annual Picnic

A. Annual Summer picnic update AUG 2023

- a. Richfield's Vet Memorial Park reserved for
  - a.i. SAT. Aug 19, 2023
  - a.ii. Vet's Park Picnic Shelter "2C" Center section ONLY
  - a.iii. Time 1:00PM to 4:00PM
  - a.iv. Article in Bullet's Newsletter this Summer

B. DAV Department of MN Annual Spring Convention

- a. April 27 -April 29, 2023
  - a.i. Attendance: Johnson, Schilling, Hunt, Campero, Tessmer, Keith, McWilliams

C. Spring Forget Me Not Fund Raising

- a. Dates: May 2023, Weekend before Memorial Day, May 19, & 20, 2023
- b. 2 locations Jerry Foods Edina & Eden Prairie MN
- c. Update on Square, US Bank Card Reader & Venmo

D. Upgrade of Quick Books

6. ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

- 2022 Chapter Meeting Minutes April 4, 2023 and Exec Board meeting of April 26, 2023.

- Motion to approve by Campero, Seconded by Powell,
- Pass

7. NEW BUSINESS & GENERAL INFORMATION:

a. Proposed recurring spending July 2023- June 2024

Propose FY 22-23 spending plan

Activity		Amount	per year
Every Third Sat	Mpls	\$3,000QRT	\$12,000
Rec Fund	MN VET HOME MPLS	\$1,000Qrt	\$4,000
Fellowship*	Normandale	\$3,000one time	\$3,000
Fellowship*	Hennepin Tech	\$3,000one time	\$3,000
Fellowship *	Augsburg	\$3,000one-time	\$3,000
Coffee for Vol Louge	Mpls VAMC	\$637.50QRT	\$2550
Laundry Pods	MN Vet Home Hastings	\$100mo	\$1200
Mem Rifle Sqd	Fort Snelling	\$300QRT	\$1,200
'6 - 5- 4	Mpls VAMC	\$40mo	\$480
Upper Post Holiday Meal	Fort Snelling	\$2500	One-time
	*Require Feedback / visit		\$2,500
			\$32,930

Motion to Approve: Powell. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hunt

Pass

- b. DAV Foundation Golf Classic Tuesday July 25, 2023. Same location Crystal Lake Golf Course Lakeville, MN. Donation of \$2,500 provides Patriot sponsorship with 1 foursome of golfing. Last year had 2 foursomes (authorized one with donation and one was a “standby” fulling of unfilled slot. Funds used by DAV Foundation of MN for Transportation program.

Motion to approve . Cargill 2<sup>nd</sup> Powel  
PASS

c. Committee Reports:

a. Legislative Committee:

1. VETS DAY ON THE HILL March 30, 2023

- b. Membership & Meeting Attendance Committee: Sr. Vice
  - FY 22-23 Goal is 41
  - Review monthly report:
    - Current total members 2994, 13 above goal
- c. Treasurer

IRS 990 tax return being worked on by our CPA, expect to sign next Tuesday.

8. OPEN DISCUSSION BY COMMANDER:

- a. Melissa Franz Chapter #2 July 15, 2023 picnic
- b. DAV Dept new website

9. Good of the Order:

- a. Rudolph Kopischke
- b. John Carlson
- c. Linda Welt
- d. Richard Gardner
- e. James Pung
- f. Buzz Farrell

10. CLOSING CEREMONIES:

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|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| a. Single Purpose Reminder      | Commander |                      |
| b. Purpose of Gathering         | Commander |                      |
| c. Salute to the Flag           | Commander |                      |
| d. Prayer                       | Chaplain  |                      |
| e. Date of Next Board Meeting   | Commander | <u>July 26, 2023</u> |
| f. Date of Next Chapter Meeting | Commander | <u>Sep 5, 2023</u>   |
| g. Declaration of Adjournment   | Commander |                      |

11. ADJOURN:

Motioned by Campero, Seconded by Hunt,

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:26PM