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__x_Treasurer Dick Maser __x_Past Commander Bob Heinz

___x_Chaplain Charles Carter

___x_Sgt of Arms Ken Gibson

____x_Trustee Jeffrey Proud

Disabled American Veterans Saint Paul Chapter 2 Meeting Agenda 13 May 2023

- 1 **Opening Ceremony** (Pledge of Allegiance and Chaplain's Prayer) 26 Members Present
- 2 Introduction of Visitors (not new members but visitors from outside the chapter) Visitor from the IBEW, They are doing a fund raising activity to benefit the DAV. They are asking that we get the word out and help spread the word about the fund raiser. They will send flyers to Melissa and Jerry B.
- 3 Roll Call of the Officers
 - ___x_Commander Jerald Bottcher
 - ___x_Jr Vice Commander Melissa Franz
 - ___x_Adjutant John Walker
 - ___x_Judge Advocate Bob Dike
 - ____x_Officer of the Day Mick Aguirre
 - ___x_Trustee Bob Heinz
 - _ex_Trustee Denny Mitchell

Note of those not present O = absent X= Present ex= Excused

- Reading of the minutes from the last meeting. Minutes from the last meeting were sent out to all membership by email / read to the chapter. Motion to accept by Mick Aguirre, 2nd .by Bob Heinz Motion carried unanimous consent
- 5 Treasurers Report. (Include copy of the report for filing)

Motion carried unanimous	Motion to accept the treasurers report made by Lou Michaels, 2 nd by Jeff Proud. Motion carried unanimous consent	
Motion to accept the treas		
Total	\$22200.64	
USPS on Account	\$726.53	
General Fund Checking	\$7493.78	
Forget Me Not checking	\$2970.18	
General Fund Share	\$8732.41	
Forget me not share	\$2277.74	
Account totals		

- Bills Against the Chapter list of the bills, motion made and 2nd, vote carried or failed
 Clothing Drive Bills due are Clothing drive expenses, Hastings Bingo, Convention Expenses
 Motion to pay Bill Against the chapter made by Lou Michaels, 2nd by Bob Heinz, Motion
 carried unanimous consent
- Reports of Sickness and Distress. Veterans In Need (Make note of those affected)
 RL Walkers son passed away, Jerry Kerfle passed away. Sheldon S's wife had hip surgery



8 Application for Membership (Introduce new members to the chapter, swear in members who have yet to take the oath of membership) Need motion to accept new members and pay for Chapters portion of the membership. None at this meeting today

9 Reading of Communications

DAV Foundation Golf Tournament. What level of sponsorship do we want? Duty sponsor is 1000, Honor Sponsor 1500 tabled until next meeting, Request for donation from Vets Camp. Tabled at this meeting until the next meeting Grant available from the Ramsey County Veterans Services for Memorial day activities

10 Reports from Committees

- a. Hastings Vets Home Bingo at 19 June 2023 Names of Volunteers
- b. Forget Me Not Committee Forget me not drive next year Bob Heinz has the volunteer sheets. 2 through 4 June We need more volunteers volunteered to be in charge. Please note that this is our only fund raising even for the year. We are only asking for 4 hours of your time. Please support us and the fund raising we do for the forget me not
- c. Membership Committee We have 1706 members. Our goal is 1705.
- d. **Summer Picnic Committee** Chapter Picnic Chapter Picnic Scheduled for 8 July 2023 Noon 'til done. Looking for a volunteer to take over the coordination of the event Chuck and Melissa will help out. The Hastings Vets home will provide a bus to bring vets up from the home for the picnic.

e. Holiday Party Committee

Holiday Party is Scheduled for 20 Jan 2024. Mancini's 1:00 pm Bob Heinz said he will take care of details. Meal cost is \$30.00 per person. The member cost is 25.00 with the Chapter picking up the balance.

- f. Clothing Drive Committee report Status of clothing drive. We had 1 drop in April totaling 3844 lbs. cloth and 195 lbs. hard goods. Due to increased traffic, we had an additional drop on 11 May 5153 lbs cloth 224 lbs hard goods, (at the Savers Warehouse) and our next drop will be on 25 May, 9:00 AM at Unique Thrift Store in New Hope for up to 5700 lbs., need a couple of volunteers. This will be for the trailers on Roseville and Hastings, may also have the trailer for White Bear Lake Jerry B
- g. Women's Veterans Retreat at the Mount Olivet campground in Farmington, MN 4-6 August 2023. We have committed to providing \$1500 to sponsor 5 women to attend with priority to chapter members
- h. LVAP. Please fill out LVAP sheet or submit you LVAP online!!!



11 New Business

New budget for 2023-2024 (I July 2023 through 30 June 2024.

Every item was looked at line by line. Mileage reimbursement will now be limited to 32.5 cents per mile, even though the IRS rate is 65.5 cents per mile. We are doing this to reduce costs incurred so as to free up more funds in the budget.

Total budget for 2023-24 is \$22,600.00. Motion made by Jeff Proud to accept the next budget, 2nd by Josi Jensen. **Motion carried unanimous consent**

- 12 Unfinished Business List of items requiring resolution, actions taken, (progress noted, set aside, resolved, descriptions of actions taken, votes, etc.
 - a. DAV Family Fun Extravaganza being set up. 15 July 2023 at the Jaycees park / shelter (Central Park) in Roseville, Mic has details Mick stated we will have activities for the family. We are trying to recruit younger member. Alex had plan an event at Saint Thomas before covid restrictions.
 - b. **Hospital Visitation** Still on hold due to Pandemic, Check to see if we can find out when we will be able to start back up again. Still waiting for when we can start.

13 For Good of The Order:

Vietnam War Wall Display is coming to ST.Thomas Academy in MENDOTA HEIGHTS display begins MAY 25 at 2pm goes to MAY 29 at 2pm behind Flynn Hall on the practice fields Dennis Mitchell

Minnfluence https://davmn.org/legislation/voters-voice/

Convention Travel Expense Vouchers New forms available, please use will provide copies by email if needed or can use hard copy **New mileage rate** effective 1 January 2022 new IRS mileage rate is 65.5 per mile

- 14 Accept motion to adjourn Made by 2nd by.
- 15 Memorial Ceremony
- 16 Adjournment with Closing Prayer and Ceremonies
- Meeting adjourned at Next Meeting
 General Membership meeting on 10 June 2023 North Saint Paul VFW Exec at 9:30 AM, General Membership at 10:30 AM

Respectfully Submitted

Jerald Bottcher Commander Disabled American Veterans Chapter 2 Saint Paul, MN 55106