Mike Voth Memorial Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 5 – Eau Claire, WI November 3, 2021

AVVA

Attendance – Peg O., Eric & Sally J., Marilyn M. and Rick A. Talford

Discussions;

- 1- Membership Nationally has fallen below 10,000 to 9,962
- 2- Convention the convention in N.C. will be held in person, with the requirements of being vaccinated or proof of a test within 72 hrs of arriving for the convention.
- 3- Pizza Ranch has not yet responded on whether the fundraising abilities for groups, has been reopened.
- 4- Budget all in good standings at this time.
- 5- Project Friendship Donation after discussing the program set up for this year's convention, a motion to approve \$250.00 was made by Marilyn and seconded by Peg. The motion passed without objection.

Adjourn – 6:30pm

VVA

Attendance – 18

Agenda – no changes or additions

Call to Order by Mike Korger

Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer by Joe Graff

Moment of silence

Deceased members - none

Welcome Veterans and Guests - none

Reports;

Secretary – The minutes were sent out by email again this month. A motion to approve them by Dan Z., and seconded by Robbie R. The motion passed without objection.

Treasurer – Joe Heil A full report will be provided next month, so it may include all the information from this year's fundraiser. President – Mike Korger

Korger spoke of a couple hospitalizations he had recently due to covid 19. He also told the members of the American Legion in Fall Creek holding an event for Veterans on Veterans Day. All Vets will receive a free meal at one of their local restraunts.

Vice President – Kenny Piel (absent)

AVVA - Rick A. Talford

Talford explained the convention was still moving forward, and it was thought that he would retain Region 6 Director position. The Project Friendship was then discussed, with a motion to match the AVVA in the donation being sent. Joe G. made a motion to spend \$250.00 towards the program. A second was then given by Ralph O. the motion carried without objection. A total of \$500.00 will be sent from Chapter 5.

Region 6 meeting – no information has been received on any scheduling of a meeting at this time.

National Meeting/Convention – Nov. 2-6th in Greensboro, NC.

State Council Meeting – December 3-4th in Waupaca, WI (Joe G., Rick T. and Mike K. plan on attending)

VA/Benefits/Claims – Dave Mayenchein

Mayenchein told everyone about a gathering at Camp Victory, where Dave Zien handed out paperwork to those in attendance. He also spoke of the importance of members to get the vaccine booster shots.

Minority report – Dave Zein (absent)

Membership – VVA 126 AVVA 27

Veterans Home Report – closed w/ no report

Highground – Joe Graff November 11th will have a raffle being held December 4th has a tentative concert planned

VVA Clothing – Joe Heil (no report)

VVA goals and outreach – Joe Heil (no report)

Fundraising – Joe Heil All prizes have been delivered from the annual fundraiser.

Chapter elections – Joe Heil The Secretary position is open and will need to be filled by a VVA member. AVVA Representative Rick A. Talford is currently keeping minutes and agrees to continue until a replacement is found.

Committee report – Joe Heil The CVTC Scholarship has been paid to CVTC in October, in the amount of \$1,050.00 Chapter newsletter deadline – November 21st.

Communications – Joe Heil A Thank You letter was received from the winner of the flag.

Good of the Order;

- 1- Veterans Day event will be held at Post 53 at 10am.
- 2- Veterans Tribute in Altoona will hold a stone laying ceremony at 1pm.
- 3- Veterans Day at the Augusta School will be held at 10am.
- 4- North High School on Veterans Day at 8-9am.
- 5- L.E. Phillips on Veterans Day starting at 11am.

Veterans Ball date currently is March 19th, 22 (more meetings in the future)

Country Jam 2022 may be a good location to hold fundraising. More discussion in the future on this topic will be held.

Balance of T-Shirts from 2016 will need to be dealt with. Rick T. asked if Klein Hall would be a good place to send them. A motion was made by Joe G. to donate nearly 200 T-shirts to Klein Hall. A second was received by Rory S. the motion carried without objection.

A Thank You gift of a gift card (\$75.00) will be given to Dean Adsit for all of his help with our fundraising this year.

A scholarship meeting is planned before the regular meeting on December 1, 22.

Mike Korger told everyone to hang around after the meeting to enjoy the Marines B-Day cake that was brought in.

50/50 Drawing - \$9.00 (Ralph Ottum)

Closing Prayer by Joe Graff

Adjourn at 7:45pm