

PENDING APPROVAL

Vietnam Veterans of America Virginia State Council

Meeting Minutes
19 June 2010
Richmond, Virginia

Charlie Montgomery called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM in the Holiday Inn Select Koger Conference Center, Richmond, VA. All VSC officers were present. Charlie assigned Tim Vail, VVA #81, as the parliamentarian. George Corbett conducted a roll call of the delegates as follows:

VVA #48: Steve Newsom, Larry Burger, Ray Zumpol
VVA #78: Jack Dresch
VVA #81: Doug Burnette, Tim Vail
VVA #196: Dave Stokes, Larry Bachman
VVA #227: Len Ignatowski, Byron Sheldon
VVA #433: None
VVA #599: Norma Halley
VVA #614: Tom Riley, Eddie Wilson
VVA #617: Gordon Tassi, Desi Arnaiz, Darrell Harvey
VVA #627: Alfred Lynch, Lewis Hawthorne
VVA #682: Gray Taylor
VVA #710: Roger Stevens
VVA #752: Sam Thompson, Bootie Smith
VVA #806: Jim Hogg, John Listman
VVA #840: Harold Hughes, Tom Anderson
VVA #917: None
VVA #936: None
VVA #957: Floyd Loveland
VVA #969: Leon Hickey, Bob Fulcher
VVA #1019: James Venable, Wayne Graham
At-Large: None

Charlie Montgomery, VSC President, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Doug Burnette motioned to suspend with the reading of the VSC March 2010 meeting minutes; Terry Haskins seconded; motion passed.

Charlie Montgomery turned the meeting over to the Nominating Committee to conduct the 2010 VSC elections. Sam Thompson, committee chair, called for nominations from the floor for each VSC officer position. The slate of candidates was elected unanimously by the delegates. The VSC Officers for 2010 – 2012 are Charlie Montgomery, President; Jim Blount, 1st Vice President; Terry Haskins, 2nd Vice President; Terry Steer,

Correspondence Secretary; George Corbett, Recording Secretary; Larry Burger, Treasurer; and William Piercy, Sgt-At-Arms.

Jim Blount announced the winners of the VSC and VVVA Scholarships. They were Ann Huntington and Daniel Ignatowski. Both had relatives in VVA #227.

Earlier, during the biennial VSC Convention, The VVA Member of the Year, VVA Chapter of the Year, VSC Presidential Award recipient and the AVVA Member of the Year were announced. They were:

VVA Member of the Year: Darrell Harvey – VVA #617

VVA Chapter of the Year: VVA Chapter #227

VSC Presidential Award: Terry Steer – VVA #78

AVVA Member of the Year: Marjorie Hickey – VVA #969

Committee Reports

Finance: Edith Dresch went over the VSC financial status for the 1st Qtr, FY 2010. Terry Haskins noted that there were no requests for assistance.

Unfinished Business

Charlie Montgomery reiterated getting the chapter financial reports, election reports, and household good reports in on time. He noted several chapters that had not submitted their election reports.

The VVA Leadership Conference will be held in Orlando, FL 10-15 August 2010.

New Business

Charlie Montgomery discussed the VVA Car Donation Program. It is just starting in Virginia.

Charlie spoke on Bruce Whitaker's comments earlier in the day regarding several issues at the VVA national level.

Len Ignatowski brought a proposal to trim the VSC meetings to three a year. Charlie Montgomery said it was a good idea. He asked members to take this proposal back to their chapters for discussion. He will bring it up at the September VSC meeting.

Charlie Montgomery noted that VVA National is offering direct deposit for chapter rebates and other monies vice mailed checks.

Ray Zumpol spoke on the need to setup a veteran's emergency coordinator to work with veterans during times of crisis (i.e. Natural disasters).

Gray Taylor provided an update on Incarcerated Chapter #682. He has spoken to the local VA Medical Center about getting medical care for incarcerated veterans.

David Stokes reported on a VVA #196 veteran who owns a home in Da Nang Vietnam. He allows fellow veterans to stay there for free when he is in-country. He reported that VVA #196 provided a commercial washer to an orphanage in Vietnam.

Announcements

George Corbett noted that there would be a dinner later this evening at 6 PM at a local Golden Corral restaurant. He provided directions to the restaurant.

The next VSC meeting will be held in Culpeper VA, 17-19 September 2010. VVA #752 is the hosting chapter.

Charlie reminded all of the annual VSC Campout at Lake Sherando 16-18 July 2010.

Larry Burger won the VVA #78 50/50 drawing.

Sam Thompson conducted the installation of the VSC Officers for 2010 – 2012.

Charlie adjourned the meeting at 3:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

George Corbett
Recording Secretary
VVA Virginia State Council