Disabled American Veterans Minneapolis Chapter One 1515 East 66th Street, Richfield MN 55423 Chapter Meeting Agenda

Date: May 7, 2024

1. OPENING CEREMONY BY THE COMMANDER:

• Call to Order: Meeting Declared Open at 6:56 PM

- 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:

Role	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Board Members				
Commander	Johnson, Wm	X		
Sr Vice	Hunt	X		
1st Jr Vice	Keith	X		
2nd Jr Vice	Tait	X		
3rd Jr Vice	Campero	X		
Adjutant	Schilling	X		
Treasurer	Turbett	X		
Chaplain	Tesmer	X		
Staff Members				
CSO	Hunt	X		
Legislative Advisor	Campero	X		
IT	Wytonick	X		
Transition Advisor	McKenna			X
Outreach	LeTourneau	X		
NSO/Benefits Advisor	None			X

3. <u>VISITORS/GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS:</u>

• Visitors: None

• Guest Speakers: None

• Member's First Meeting: None

• New Member's to be sworn in: Cliff Anderson

4. MEMBER ILLNESS OR IN DISTRESS REPORT BY CHAPLAIN:

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

5. <u>UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:</u>

Future Membership Meetings

•	May 29, 2024	No Board Meeting
•	June 4, 2024	No Chapter Meeting
•	June 26, 2024	No Board Meeting
•	July 2, 2024	No Chapter Meeting
•	July 31, 2024	Executive Board Meeting
•	Aug. 17, 2024	Picnic
•	Aug. 28, 2024	Executive Board Meeting
•	Sep. 3, 2024	Chapter Meeting

A. VAMC Hospital Visitation

- a. 4th Sunday of Month, 12:15pm met, 1-2 PM Ward visit
 - a.i. Chapter #40 will be asked to join event.
 - a.ii. Status of May 26, 2024 Visitation

B. VETS DAY ON THE HILL

- a. April 17, 2024
- b. 800+ attended
- c. Chapter #1 had one over capacity of Bus

C. DAV MN Spring Convention

- a. April 25 27, 2024
- b. Arrowwood Resort Alexandra MN
- c. Following Individuals attended Convention:
 - c.i. Bill Johnson
 - c.ii. George Hunt
- c.iii. Joel Schilling
- c.iv. Mark Tessmer
- c.v. Luis Campero
- c.vi. Joe Wytonick
- d. Chapter rec'd \$3,500 grant to use for needy veterans

D. FGMN Fund Raising Spring 2024

- a.i. Date: May 17 & 18, 2024
- a.ii. Locations: Jerry Foods, Edina and Eden Prairie, MN
- a.iii. 30 days prior approve from DAV Dept of MN required
- a.iv. SIGNUP TONIGHT!
- E. Chapter #1 Summer Picnic
 - a. Shelter #2 @ Vets Park Richfield reserved
 - a.i. Saturday Aug 17, 2024
 - a.ii. 1:15-4:00 pm
 - a.iii. Signup
 - a.iii.1. Tonight
 - a.iii.2. Send E-Mail to Chapter (instruction in June 24 Bullets)
 - a.iii.3. Send E-Mail to Chapter (instruction in E-Blast July 24)

F. DAV MN Fall Conference

- a. Sep. 19-21, 2024
- b. Double Tree by Hilton, Austin MN 55912, Rate \$120 / night

- G. DAV Golf Classic
 - a. Tuesday July 23, 2024
 - b. Crystal Lakes Golf Course, Lakeville MN
 - c. Chapter has 2 foursomes to fill
 - c.i. SIGNUP TONIGHT
- H. MN TWINS tickets: Joe Wytonick
- I. ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:
 - Chapter Meeting Minutes April 2, 2024 and Executive Board meeting of May 1, 2024
 - o Motion to approve by Powell , Seconded by Campero
 - o Pass
- 6. NEWUBUSINESS & GENERAL INFORMATION:
 - A. Letter of Thank You provided to DAV Dept of Minnesota for Fall \$3,500 grant.
 - B. NSO and DSO status update
 - C. MN Twins tickets update: Joe Wytonick
 - D. Request from Minneapolis Vets Home for Computer Lab setup:
 - a. Requested amount = \$2000
 - a.i. CMD & Adj meet with Cheryl Garrison (MPLS VET HOME)
 - Any amount can be used, does not be full \$2000 for project to move forward
 - \$ 1000 Motion to approve Executive Board
 - Motion to approve \$1,000 Deb Johnson. 2nd by Diane Keith

Pass

- E. Chapter had a hardship request from Chapter Member ** for car repair, a.\$995 authorized by Cmdr, ADJ and Treasurer paid April 25, 2024
- F. Chapter had request for stairlift for a veteran in Golden Valley, MN \$2840
 - a. Request DENIED based on
 - a.i. Requesting Nonprofit having business registration revoked Jan 22
 - a.ii. Requesting Nonprofit having CEASE AND DESIST Letter sent to them on May 1, 2024 by DAV Foundation of Minnesota

G. COMMITTEE REPORT:

- a. Legislative Committee:
 - Omnibus Vets Bill passed
 - House Tax Bill (passed) has Property Tax exclusion up to \$400,000 (100%) and \$200,000 for 70% Disabled (no expansion to 50% level)
- b. Membership & Meeting Attendance Committee: Sr. Vice
- c. FY 22-23 Goal is 43
- d. Review monthly report:
- e. Current total members 2,947; 14 over goal
- f. DAV National Due increase to \$325 effective 1 Jan 2024,
 - a) \$100 Dept & \$100 CHAPTER
 - b) \$125 new member
- c. Treasurer

Proposed recurring spending July 2024- June 2025

Propose FY 24-25 spending plan

			YEARLY
			AMOUNT
		Amount	
Activity		requested	Board approval
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	NONE
Coffee for Vol Lounge	Mpls VAMC	\$750.00QRT	\$3,000
Laundry Pods	MN Vet Home Hastings	\$76Mo	\$912
Mem Rifle Sqd	Fort Snelling	\$300QRT	\$1200
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Upper Post Holiday Meal	Fort Snelling	\$2500 One-time	\$2,000
Food Pantry	MPLS VAMC	\$1000 One-Time GRAND TOTAI	\$500 \$30,092

NOTE: Preapproved items e.g. Meeting, Convention, Rent, Utilities, Bullets printing etc Is approx. \$40,000 for next FY 24-25

MOTION to approve recurring Expensive for FY 24-25 for \$30,092 Powell Seconded by Campero Pass

H. OPEN DISCUSSION BY COMMANDER:

- i). 1515 66th Street Office door have been rekeyed
 Following need to turn in back door key and be issues "KEY CARD"
 Johnson, Wm, Schilling, Wytonick & Turbett
- ii). LVAP accounting update by ADJUTANT
- iii). DAV Chapter #1 has been selected to BETA Test MYDAV.ORG AFR submission
- iv). Some board members have expressed an intertest in investigating forming a UNIT for the Chapter. The Adjutant at DAV Dept of MN is reaching out to DAV National to determine if a join UNIT is allowed, e.g., Unit to represent Chapter #1, #2 and #40.
 - v). Disposition of limited edition prints in Office "WWII Fighting Men". Set 49 of 1,000
- I. Good of the Order:

(6 plus one garrison cap)

- a. Richard Gardner
- b. Mark Jaruszewski
- c. Bob Kolas
- d. Diane Keith
- e. Roger Wharton
- f. John James
- g. John O Neal purchased hat

J. <u>CLOSING CEREMONIES:</u>

a. Single Purpose Reminder
b. Purpose of Gathering
c. Salute to the Flag
d. Prayer
Commander
Commander
Chaplain

e. Date of Next Board Meeting Commander July 31, 2024

f. Date of Next Chapter Meeting Commander Aug 17, 2024Picnic

& Sep 3, 2024 Chapter Meeting

g. Declaration of Adjournment Commander

K. ADJOURN:

Motioned by Powell Seconded by

Meeting Adjourned at: PM