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Franklin D. Roosevelt Chapter 11, Florence, SC

Minutes from the meeting 11 June 2016

The meeting of Chapter 11 was called to order by Acting Commander Robert Eldridge at 9: 00 am on 11 June 2016. Commander Harry Andrus was not at the meeting.

**Commander** brought comrades to attention and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was conducted.

**Prayer** was conducted by Chaplin Willie Wilson.

**Roll Call**: Adjutant Scott called the rolls of officers; officers not present were Commander Harry Andrus, Senior vice Patrick Higgins, 1st Junior vice Phylis Burgh and Judge Advocate Bill Chaney.

**Visitors/Guests:** We had two veterans and they were Phil Brehm (Marine Corp) and Otis McDaniel Jr. (Air force).

**Adjutant read the minutes** from the last meeting and a motion was moved for the acceptance of the Minutes by Richard Clark and second by Lawrence Worthem with all in favor.

**Treasurer’s report** was read by Treasurer Robert Eldridge. Treasurer Robert Eldridge told members that $17,900 was sent from Chapter 11’s account to Columbia Trust DAV Account which will go towards purchasing a new van for the transportation of veterans to and from their medical appointments. Treasurer Robert Eldridge extended thanks to each and every one who donated their money, time and effect to get this needed new van. He told members that the van will be ready around late June to early July of 2016.

Treasurer told members that it is time to do an annual audit report. Four members who volunteer for the audit review are Lawrence Worthem, Ray Streett, Richard Clark and Lee Bullard. Treasurer told members that the time and date will be announce and lunch will be also provided.

A motion was moved for the acceptance of the treasurer’s report by Richard Clark and second by Lawrence Worthem with all in favor.

**Sickness/Distress:** Chaplin announces no known sickness and distress. AC Wilson told members that he is not doing well and he told members to keep him in their prayers.

**Correspondence and Legislative Issues:**  The 95th National Convention will be at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta Hotel, located at 265 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA 30303 and it will be from July 31-August 3, 2016.

Acting Commander asked members if anyone would like to attend the 95th National Convention but anyone volunteer for this year 2016.

Chapter 11 received a letter from the National Office/IRS Office which stated that Chapter 11 is good to go with their 501C4.

**Membership Chairperson:** Phylis Burgh was not at meeting.

**Old Business:** Robert Eldridge and Patrick Higgins are Certified Service Officers; they both attended the Service Officer Training on May 19, 2016 in Columbia.

Acting Commander Robert Eldridge received the Truscello Century Award at the Convention Award Banquet in Columbia on 21 May 2016.

Elected John Baker Jr. was not present for his swearing in as Treasurer for the second month.

**New Business:** Acting Commander Robert Eldridge told members that the position for a Treasurer is open and Chapter 11 is really in need of a Treasurer. He put it out to members by saying “is there anyone who would like to be the Treasurer, going once, going twice.” Acting Commander told members that since no one steps forward he would continue for one more year as the Treasurer for Chapter 11. Members elected Lawrence Worthem as assistance to the Treasurer in which he took the offer.

A motion was moved by members for Acting Commander Robert Eldridge to continue as Treasurer and Lawrence Worthem as an assistance Treasurer.

Richard Clark encourages members to step forward and take available positions as Officers because the same person cannot do the same job all the time. He said at least try that is the only way we will learn.

Acting Commander told members that every single month the State Office in Columbia requires the Sign-in Roster, Treasurer’s Report and Minutes send to them. He said this is their new policy to make sure Chapters are doing the right things in accordance to the DAV Laws. The information will be send to [davscadjutant@yahoo.com](mailto:davscadjutant@yahoo.com)

Acting Commander told members that we are looking forward to start up a DAV Auxiliary Group. The Auxiliary Group supports the DAV and wives and husbands are encourage jointing this group and having it structurally running. Point of Contact is Diane Eldridge (wife of Robert Eldridge).

Acting Commander also encourage members to be members of the Chamber of Commerce in Florence or Darlington. He said this is one of the ways to get the DAV name out there.

**Moment of silence:** Commander brought members to attention and a moment of silence for the departed was conducted.

**The PD Veterans Advisory Board meeting is held every 4rd Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m. at the Florence Library.**

**Donation from members:** The total was $75.00,William Johnson received $35.00 and Chapter 11 received $40.00.

Being no further business, a motion was moved by Richard Clark and second by Lawrence Worthem for the adjournment of the meeting.

Acting Commander Robert Eldridge closed with prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 10:03 am.