DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34 EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES May 3, 2022

OPENING CEREMONY

Commander (Cdr) Robert Monroe opened the Executive Meeting at 4:00 p.m. Chaplain Rodney Young gave the opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Junior Vice Commander (Jr. Vice Cdr.) Larry Griffin. Cdr. Monroe stated the Mission Statement is posted on our Conference Room's wall. Cdr. Monroe stated our purpose for being here and declared the meeting open for business.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

The following officers were present: Cdr. Robert Monroe, Sr. Vice Cdr. Charles Morris, Junior Vice Commander Larry Griffin, Treasurer Terrell Lasker, Chaplain Rodney Young, Member-At-Large (MAL) Ethel Smith, and Adjutant Veranica Jordan. Judge Advocate Ronald Christian and Immediate Past Commander (Cdr) John Yakshe were excused. The Executive Committee (EC) Meeting had a quorum of Chapter Officers present in order to conduct the meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE MEETING

A motion was entertained and moved by Sr. Vice Cdr. Charles Morris and seconded by MAL Ethel Smith to dispense with the reading of the Executive Meeting minutes for March 29, 2022. There was no discussion and this motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Lasker reported the beginning balance for April 2022 was \$101, 678.71 and the ending balance was \$94,882.04. Treasurer Lasker stated the Quarterly Chapter Accountability Report - Disbursed Department Thrift Store Funds will be sent in today. The Monthly Chapter Financial Report will be discussed at the General Membership Meeting on May 7, 2022.

CHAPLAIN

Chaplain Rodney Young reported that two of our comrades had surgery last month, Comrade Patricia Grant and James Anderson. Chaplain Young delivered a fruit basket to each of them from the Chapter. Comrade Lora Skinner had surgery last week and Judge Advocate Ronald Christian will have surgery next week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports were given by the chairperson or the respective committee representative for the following committees and these reports will also be given at the General Membership Meeting.

CSO: MAL Ethel Smith stated that 13 cases were completed during the month of April 2022.

<u>Entertainment Committee:</u> Jr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin reported he made contact with Colonial Downs' representative concerning our Induction Dinner on 16 July, 4-6:30 p.m. for 100 people. More information will be given out at the General Membership Meeting.

<u>Budget Committee:</u> Cdr Monroe stated the Chapter Budget for FY22-23 must be submitted to the Chapter for approval at the first scheduled meeting of the Fiscal Year.

<u>Bylaws Committee</u>: Cdr. Monroe stated that the Chapter approved changes to the Chapter Constitution and Bylaws were sent to the Department for approval during the month of April 2022.

Membership Committee: Sr. Vice Cdr. Morris stated Chapter 34 has 502 members.

<u>Building Committee</u>: Sr. Vice Cdr. Stated the Commander's Office blind is broken. Sr. Vice Cdr. and Adjutant handle this problem.

<u>Thrift Store</u>: Sr. Vice Cdr. Charles Morris stated it is the Department's plan to build a new Thrift Store on George Washington Highway.

<u>LVAP</u>: Sr. Vice Cdr. stated that there is a new LVAP form for keeping your individual hours. This will be discussed in detail at the General Membership meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Cdr Robert Monroe stated that we will not pursue an additional bank account with Navy Federal Credit Union at this time.

MAL Ethel Smith will check into getting a new key system for the Chapter Office Front door that will be accepted by the Chapter Office Landlord.

NEW BUSINESS

Cdr. Robert Monroe appointed the following officers and committee chairs: Chaplain Rodney Young - Emergency Relief/Homeless Committee Chair, Comrade Gweneda Whiting - LVAP Representative, and MAL Ethel Smith - Chief Chapter CSO.

Discussion was entertained for DAVA Cdr Cynthia Lassiter to attend Convention. A motion was recommended to the body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by Chaplain Rodney Young that DAV Chapter 34 pay all expenses (hotel, travel, and per diem) for DAVA Cdr Cynthia Lassiter to attend the 90th Annual Convention 2022, June 16-19, in Roanoke, Virginia. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to carry to the body with two abstaining.

Discussion was entertained on delegates for the 90th Annual Convention 2022. A motion was recommended to the body that was moved by MAL Ethel Smith and seconded by Jr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin that the following members of the Executive Committee attend the 90th Annual Convention 2022 in Roanoke, Virginia, June 16-19: Chaplain, Adjutant, Treasurer, and Memberat-Large. The remaining four Chapter Delegates will be selected from the Body at the May 7, 2022 General Membership Meeting. There was a discussion and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body.

CSOs attending the Department CSO Training on 14-15 June 2022 cannot remain at the Department Convention at Chapter expense unless he/she is also a Chapter Delegate.

Discussion was entertained on the Chapter registering to participate in the upcoming fairs. A motion was recommended to the body that was moved by Jr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin and seconded by MAL Ethel Smith that the Chapter spend no more than \$100 in registration fees for each fair. (New Kent County Fair, Charles City County Fair, and West Point Crab Carnival). There was a discussion and motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body.

Discussion was entertained on purchasing a Chapter 34 cap and shirt. It is recommended to the body that if you want a shirt or cap, you will submit your individual order to Treasurer Terrell "TC" Lasker who will in turn order those items for you. The Chapter will not purchase those items and sell them to Chapter members. More info to follow.

A calendar of dates for the Executive Meeting and General Membership Meeting is attached.

Discussion was entertained on donations to Department VAVS. A motion was recommended to the body that was moved by Sr. Vice Cdr. Charles Morris and seconded by Jr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin that Chapter 34 donate \$500.00 to each Department VAVS: Department Service Commission, Emergency Relief Program, Women Veterans Program, Golden Age Games, Employment Committee, Winter Sports Clinic, Homeless Program, Social Media, Wheel Chair Games, and Incarcerated Veteran Committee. There was a discussion and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body.

CLOSING CEREMONY

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting. Cdr. Robert Monroe gave a tribute to the fallen veterans. Chaplain Rodney Young closed the meeting with a prayer and Cdr. Robert Monroe adjourned the Executive Committee Meeting at 5:05 p.m. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be May 31, 2022 at 4 p.m.

Date 03 May 2022

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Veranica S Jordan

Adjutant

Robert E Monroe Commander

EXECUTIVE & GENERAL MEETING 2022-2023

EXECUTIVE 2022

TUESDAY May 31

TUESDAY AUGUST 02

TUESDAY AUGUST 30

TUESDAY SEPTMBER 27

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 01

EXECUTIVE 2023

TUESDAY JANUARY 03 (nom. comm.) SATURDAY JANUARY 07

TUESDAY JANUARY 31

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 28

TUESDAY MARCH 28

TUESDAY MAY 02

GENERAL 2022

SATURDAY JUNE 04

SATURDAY AUGUST 06

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 03

SATURDAY OCTOBER 01

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 05

GENERAL 2023

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 04

SATURDAY MARCH 04

SATURDAY APRIL 01 (election)

SATURDAY MAY 06

^{**}No Meeting in July and December