DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34 EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES May 22, 2024

OPENING CEREMONY

Commander (CDR) Larry Griffin opened the Executive Meeting at 4:00 p.m. CDR Larry Griffin gave the opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Junior Vice Commander (JVC) Terrell Lasker. CDR Larry Griffin stated the purpose for us being here and stated the Mission Statement is posted on our Conference Room wall. CDR Griffin declared the meeting open for business.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

The following officers were present: CDR Larry Griffin, Senior Vice Commander (SVC) Ethel Smith, JVC Terrell Lasker, Immediate Past Commander (IPC) Charles Morris, Member-At-Large (MAL) Clarence Johnson, Adjutant Veranica Jordan and Judge Advocate (JA) Robert Monroe. Treasurer Herbert Jones and Chaplain (Chap) Jeffery Benoit were absent. 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 SVC Ethel Smith and seconded by IPC Charles Morris to approve the Executive Meeting minutes for April 23, 2024. There was no discussion and this motion was approved.

A motion was entertained and moved by IPC Charles Morris and seconded by SVC Ethel Smith to dispense with the reading of the Executive Meeting minutes for April 23, 2024. There was no discussion and this motion was approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Herbert Jones will report the Monthly Chapter Finance for May 2024 at the General Membership Meeting Saturday, June 1, 2024.

CHAPLAIN

Chap Jeffrey Benoit will give his report at the General Membership Meeting, June 1, 2024.

Asst. Chap Rodney Young stated that Comrade Tom Trovato fell and bumped his head.

COMMUNICATION: No Report

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.

<u>Welfare and Relief:</u> ER Representative Rodney Young stated we assisted one veteran with hotel for one week after eviction. (\$524.22)

Bylaws Committee: No Report

Entertainment: None

<u>Membership Committee</u>: SVC Ethel Smith stated that recruiting is all our responsibility. You can always invite a veteran to one of our events.

<u>Thrift Store</u>: A Thrift Store form was sent to the Department, April 10, 2024, appointing the Thrift Store Representatives.

CSO: A report will be given at the General Membership Meeting, Saturday, June 1, 2024.

LVAP: A report will be given at the General Membership Meeting, Saturday, June 1, 2024.

<u>Building Committee</u>: IPC Charles Morris stated the cameras have been installed and is working. The cameras will be turned on at 3 p.m. and off at 9 a.m. every day.

<u>Safety:</u> A safety inspection was conducted on May 16, 2024. The janitorial staff is required to sign in and out of the building.

<u>VAVS</u>: VAVS is now Center for Development and Civic Engagement (CDCE).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

IPC Charles Morris made a motion, seconded by MAL Clarence Johnson that the following members be delegates at the 102^{nd} DAV National Convention, Phoenix, AZ, 2-6 August 2024: CDR Larry Griffin, SVC Ethel Smith, JVC Terrell Lasker and Social Media Jerome Payton. There was a discussion and this motion was unanimously approved.

MAL Clarence Johnson made a recommendation, seconded by IPC Charles Morris that the delegates be allowed to travel via air to the 102nd DAV National Convention in Phoenix, AZ. There was a discussion, and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body for approval.

IPC Charles Morris made a recommendation, seconded by MAL Clarence Johnson that the delegates be allowed to rent one vehicle, August 2-7, 2024, while in Phoenix, AZ, for the National Convention. There was a discussion, and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body for approval.

IPC Charles Morris made a recommendation, seconded by SVC Ethel Smith to create a budget line of \$200 for CDCE in the 2023/2024 budget to assist with funding activities for the patients at the Hampton VA Medical Center. There was a discussion, and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body for approval.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

JA Robert Monroe stated on May 23, 2024, flags will be placed for Memorial Day at Memorial Park.

SVC Ethel Smith stated the delegates for the 92nd Annual Department Convention should get together to discuss who to vote for at the Department election.

CDR Larry Griffin stated he can be called or texted on his cell phone when he is needed.

CLOSING CEREMONY

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting. CDR Larry Griffin adjourned the Executive Meeting at 6:15 p.m.

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