

**Sons Of The American Legion
Detachment Of Wisconsin
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SATURDAY OCTOBER 23RD, 2010 COMMANDER, KERRY L. SEVERSON (245) CALLED TO ORDER THE FALL D. E. C. MEETING, HELD AT THE STATE HEADQUARTERS IN PORTAGE WISCONSIN WITH THE PROPER OPENING CEREMONIES.

Roll Call Of Officers

Taken By The Detachment Adjutant Michael L. Lawler (437)

DETACHMENT -	COMMANDER	KERRY L. SEVERSON	(245)	P
“	- VICE COMM.	ROBERT AMES	(048)	P
“	- VICE COMM.	RUSS SEVERSON	(313)	P
“	- VICE COMM.	RODNEY P. FALL	(108)	P
“	- VICE COMM.	ROBERT BREUTZMANN	(018)	P
“	- FINANCE OFFICER	DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH	(406)	P
“	- CHAPLAIN	ROBERT L. HOFFMAN	(117)	P
“	- SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	GARY LUBICH	(121)	P
“	- SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	CHRIS HESSIL	(021)	P
“	- N. E. C MAN	KELLY R. POWERS	(158)	P
“	- ALT. N. E. C. MAN	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	- ADJUTANT	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	- ASSIS'T. ADJUTANT	GARY LEE LE ROY	(294)	P
“	- HISTORIAN	DAVID L. ANDERSON	(048)	P
“	- TRAINING OFFICER	DAVID R. FAUST	(245)	P
“	- EDITOR	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	- JUDGE ADVOCATE	THOMAS A. KNOX	(449)	P
DEPARTMENT -	A. L. COMMANDER	ROBERT BATY		
“	- A. L. CHAIRMAN	ROBERT DANIELSON	(108)	E
	- A. L. COMMITTEEMAN			
“	- A. L. COMMITTEEMAN		-	
	- S. A. L. LIAISON	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
	- S. A. L. COMMITTEEMAN	KERRY L. SEVERSON	(245)	P
	- S. A. L. COMMITTEEMAN	GARY LUBICH	(121)	P

Roll Call Of District Chairman

FIRST DISTRICT -	CHAIR	GARY MYERS	(294)	P
SECOND DISTRICT -	CHAIR	TOM PETRIE	(186)	P
THIRD DISTRICT -	COMM.	SEAN PATCHIN	(385)	P
FOURTH DISTRICT -	CHAIR	RUSSELL EVANSON	(018)	P
FIFTH DISTRICT -	CHAIR	MIKE POOK	(449)	P
SIXTH DISTRICT -		VACANT		
SEVENTH DISTRICT -		VACANT		
EIGHTH DISTRICT -	CHAIR	ROBERT L. HOFFMAN	(117)	P
NINTH DISTRICT -		VACANT		
TENTH DISTRICT -	CHAIR	GARY LUBICH	(121)	P
ELEVENTH DISTRICT -	CHAIR	PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ	(093)	P
TWELFTH DISTRICT -	CHAIR	MARK WOOD	(108)	P

Past Detachment Commanders Present

DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (406), DAVID R. FAUST (245), THOMAS A. KNOX (449), LAWRENCE A. RICE (449), MICHAEL L. LAWLER (437), ELMER HANSON (052), KIRK D. HOVE (158), KELLY R. POWERS (158).

QUORUM WAS REPORTED PRESENT, BY THE DETACHMENT ADJUTANT.

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Guest To The Fall D.E.C.

NICHOLAS EATON (048) BELOIT

Reading Of The Previous Minutes

Presented By Detachment Assistant Adjutant Gary Lee LeRoy (294)

MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (406) TO ACCEPT THE PREVIOUS D. E. C. AND CONVENTION MINUTES FROM THE JULY MEETINGS AS PUBLISHED AND DISTRIBUTED BY THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT, SECONDED BY KELLY R. POWERS (158), MOTION PASSED.

Official Correspondence

Presented By Detachment Adjutant Michael L. Lawler (437)

ADJUTANT LAWLER (437) NOTED THAT THERE WERE THE USUAL ITEMS FROM THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND THAT THESE ITEMS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO THE PROPER COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION FOR DISPERSAL AND OR ACTION.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Americanism

Reported By Chairman Mike Pook (449)

THE COMMITTEE HAS FINISHED OFF THE SPECIAL AWARDS PROGRAM FOR THE MIDWINTER MEETING, WHICH WILL BE CALLED THE "VOLUNTEER PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD", "LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD" AND "EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR AWARD". THE APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN FINALIZED BY THE COMMITTEE AND COULD BE ISSUED IN THE FALL OF 2011 AND AWARDED AT THE 2012 MID WINTER CONFERENCE. SUBMISSIONS WOULD BE BY SQUADRON AND SENT TO THE DETACHMENT FOR REVIEW. THE CRITERIA FOR THESE AWARDS CAN BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE BODY FOR APPROVAL AT THE 2011 MID WINTER MEETING.

DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ON THE LEGION JR. SHOOTERS AND THE AMERICAN AND GOVERNMENT TESTING PROGRAMS.

THE COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR SUBMISSIONS OF DRAWING DESIGNS FOR THE COLORING CONTEST, DRAWING SHOULD CONTAIN THE AMERICAN FLAG AND OTHER PATRIOTIC IDEAS.

THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE DETACHMENT CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE BADGER BOYS STATE PROGRAM IN SOME MANOR SUCH AS THE GAVELS PROVIDED LAST YEAR AND ALSO URGE THE SQUADRONS TO CONTINUE TO SPONSOR MEMBERS OR NON-MEMBERS TO THE PROGRAM.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KELLY POWER (158) TO ACCEPT THE AMERICANISM REPORT WITH SEPARATE ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON THE "OF THE YEAR AWARDS" APPLICATION CRITERIA APPROVAL, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE ADJUTANT ISSUE THE APPLICATION CRITERIA TO THE MEMBERS FOR REVIEW AND LATER ACTION ON THEM AT THE 2011 MIDWINTER MEETING, MOTION PASSED.

Children & Youth

Reported By Acting Chairman Gary Lubich (121)

CHAIRMAN REPORTED THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE PER CAPITA DONATION FOR CWF NATIONAL HAS \$1.00 PER MEMBER AND MADE NOTE THAT THE DETACHMENT OF WI HAD SET THIS AT \$2.00 PER MEMBER AT THE LAST STATE CONVENTION SQUADRONS SHOULD BE REMINDED.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR SQUADRONS TO RAISE FUNDS ARE TO SET OUT THE CWF CANISTERS, PASS THE HAT AT A SQUADRON MEETING, JOIN AND BECOME A CAT CHILDRENS ACTION TEAM MEMBER, EMPHISIZE THE S.A.L. ACCOMPLISHMENTS FROM THE PAST WHEN ASKING FOR DONATIONS, START A JOSH DOG PROGRAM IN LOCAL HOSPITALS AND ORDER BY CONSIGNMENT MANY OF THE PROMOTIONAL ITEMS FROM NATIONAL THAT CAN BE RESOLD MAKING FUNDS FOR CWF.

DONATION FROM SQUADRON 59 STOUGHTON WAS TURNED IN FOR \$145.00 TO CWF.

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MOTION WAS MADE BY RUSS SEVERSON (313) TO ACCEPT THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH REPORT SECONDED BY ROBERT L. HOFFMANN (117), MOTION PASSED.

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

Reported By Chairman Rodney P Fall (108)

REPORTED THAT KEVIN MOSHEA CAMP AMERICAN LEGION DIRECTOR GAVE A TALK ON THE NEW MENTAL HEALTH BUILDING AT CAMP THAT IS BEING PLANNED AND THEY ARE LOOKING FOR FUNDS TO GET BLUE PRINTS STARTED. THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD PROJECT TO DONATE THE FUNDS THAT HAVE BEEN SET ASIDE BY THE DETACHMENT IN AMOUNT OF \$2,000.

TOMAH WILL BE HOLDING THE NATIONAL VETERANS CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL SUN. OCT. 24, 2010, NEC MAN KELLY POWERS WILL BE ATTENDING AND WILL REPORT ON THIS EVENT AT THE MID-WINTER MEETINGS. DONATIONS TO THE TOMAH VA (52) LA CROSSE A BOWLING BALL, (538) CARLTON \$50.00.

AT THE NATIONAL VAVS MEETING IT WAS PRESENTED THAT THE S.A.L. BE IN SUPPORT OF THE LEGION RESOLUTION 34 PERTAINING TO THE "DON'T ASK DON'T TELL POLICY". RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE THAT DETACHMENT SHOULD GET ON BOARD WITH THIS ALSO.

THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE NAMES OF KIRK HOVE AND OR BOB AMES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE OPEN POSITIONS AS VAVS COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RODNEY FALL (108) TO ACCEPT THE VETERANS AFFAIRS REHABILITATION REPORT SECONDED BY BOB AMES (048), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS ASKED IF ALL OF THE VA REPS HAVE BEEN SETTLED AS YET, ADJUTANT LAWLER NOTED IT IS STILL UP IN THE AIR, MOTION PASSED.

COMMISSIONS AND SUBCOMMITTEES

Internal Affairs

Reported By Chairman Russell Severson (313)

MEMBERSHIP – DISCUSSED THE INACTIVE SQUADRONS AND THE NUMBER OF THEM THAT ARE HAVING PROBLEMS AS NATIONAL HAS A DIFFERENT NO. THAN THE DETACHMENT A LIST IS BEING FORMULATED BY THE ADJUTANT AND COMMITTEE TO SEE WHICH SQUADRONS TRULY NEED TO BE HELPED OUT.

HAD DISCUSSIONS AND IDEAS FOR MEMBER RECRUITMENT FOR NEW AND RENEWALS, MAKING KNOW THE PRESENCE OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND REACHING OUT TO LEGION AND AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP.

PUBLIC RELATIONS – DISCUSSED THE OPPORTUNITY OF THE S.A.L. DETACHMENT RECEIVING SPACE ON THE NEW LEGION TRAILER AS AN ADVERTISEMENT PLATFORM. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THIS IDEA, IT WOULD BE A COST OF \$250.00 THE COMMITTEE HAS PUT IN A REQUEST FOR FUNDS PENDING APPROVAL. IT WAS NOTED THAT THE HISTORIAN IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR PICTURES, ARTICLES AND INFO FROM THE SQUADRON.

SCHOLARSHIP – REQUEST FOR FUNDS \$1,000.00 WAS ASKED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD THIS YEAR.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RUSS SEVERSON (313) FOR ACCEPT THE REPORT WITH SEPARATE ACTION ON THE \$250.00 FOR THE TRAILER ADVERTISEMENT AND THE \$1,000.00 SCHOLARSHIP, SECONDED BY RUSSELL BREUTZMANN (018), MOTION PASSED.

BY SEPARATE ACTION MOTION WAS MADE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE \$250.00 FOR THE TRAILER ADVERTISING BY RUSS SEVERSON PENDING FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE FROM THE RESERVE FUND AS REQUESTED AND SPECIFIED, PRIOR TO THE SECOND OF THE MOTION FINANCE CHAIRMAN DENNIS STOCKFISCH MADE NOTE THAT FUNDS MAY NOT BE DESIGNATED FROM THE RESERVE FUND, HOWEVER FUNDS ARE PRE APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE FROM THE GENERAL BUDGET ACCOUNT.

JUDGE ADVOCATE TOM KNOX REQUESTED THAT THE MOTION MADE BE AMENDED TO CHANGE THE WORDING FROM THE RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE GENERAL ACCOUNT, SECONDED BY TOM KNOX, MOTION PASSED.

AT THIS POINT FINANCE OFFICER STOCKFISCH ALSO NOTED THAT FUNDS ARE AND HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AND NO VOTE OF APPROVAL IS NEEDED.

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Constitution & By – Laws

Reported By Chairman (PNC) David R. Faust (245)

RESOLUTIONS – NONE

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS – CHAIRMAN FAUST REVIEWED THE ITEMS WITH THE COMMISSION THAT WERE BROUGHT FOURTH FROM THE DEPARTMENT POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING THAT HE AND ADJUTANT LAWLER ATTENDED. AS A RESULT THE DETACHMENT WILL BE LOOKING AT REVISIONS TO OUR OWN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. A DRAFT COPY OF CHANGES WILL BE PREPARED BY MR. FAUST AND DISTRIBUTED FOR REVIEW AND OR DISCUSSION AT THE MID-WINTER MEETING.

COMMISSION DID A FINAL REVIEW OF SQUADRON 48 CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS THAT WERE SUBMITTED THESE WERE FORWARDED TO THE JUDGE ADVOCATE TOM KNOX FOR FINALIZATION.

SQUADRON 294 HARTLAND ASKED FOR STATUS ON THEIR SUBMITTED C&BL. THESE WERE FOUND TO BE WITH THE JUDGE ADVOCATE.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID FAUST (245) TO ACCEPT THE C&BL REPORT, SECONDED BY KELLY POWERS (158), MOTION PASSED.

Finance

Reported By Finance Officer Dennis F. Stockfisch

COMMISSION REVIEWED THE 17 MONTH GENERAL BUDGET ACCOUNT TO DATE THAT THE DETACHMENT HAS BEEN CURRENTLY OPERATING UNDER THIS WAS LAYOUT IN 5, 7 AND 5 MONTH BREAKDOWNS, THERE WERE AREAS THAT EXCEEDED THE BUDGETED AMOUNT BUT WITH A FEW MONTHS TO GO CURRENTLY THE DETACHMENT IS STILL IN THE BLACK.

REVIEWED THE MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT AND FOUND THAT TO BE SOLID NO ISSUES. EXCEPT FOR THE FACT DUE TO DEPARTMENT POLICY AND THE FINANCIAL YEAR CHANGES THIS ACCOUNT HAD TO BE CLOSED AND A NEW ONE CREATED UNDER THE LEGION'S UMBRELLA AND EIN NO'S. THE DETACHMENTS NAME STILL IS ON THE NEW ACCOUNT.

THE BUDGET FOR 2011 IS SET AND APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT. THIS WAS DONE BY SPECIAL CALL OF THE DETACHMENT FINANCE COMMISSION AS IT HAD TO BE IN PLACE EARLY FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO ACT ON BY JAN 1.

THE COMMISSION REVIEWED SOME MINOR CHANGES TO THE GUIDELINES FOR DISBURSEMENTS PERTAINING TO DELEGATE ALLOCATIONS DELEGATES MUST BE PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR BY THE DELEGATE CHAIRMAN, REEMBURSEMENT WOULD BE PRORATED BY THEIR ATTENDENCE.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (406) TO ACCEPT FINANCE REPORT SUBJECT TO AUDIT, SECONDED BY TOM KNOX (449), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS NOTED THAT THE AMOUNT OF THE DONATION FOR CAMP AMERICAN LEGION WAS \$2,000 AND IT IS AVAILABLE AND EARMARKED FOR A SELECTED PROJECT WHEN IT COMES TIME. CLOSE OF THE BOOKS WOULD BE DEC. 13TH AT POST 449, MOTION PASSED.

DENNIS STOCKFISCH REPORTED ON THE COMMANDERS PROJECT (NEF) DONATIONS MADE TO DATE SQUADRON 209 ORFORDVILLE \$100.00, SQUADRON 437 MAZOMAINIE \$100.00 AND FROM THE NATIONAL CONVENTION DINNER DANCE \$500.00 WAS DONATED FOR A TOTAL OF \$700.00. AT THE DINNER DANCE THERE WERE 117 ATTENDEE'S WITH (4) FOR THE DINNER ONLY AND (2) FOR THE DANCE ONLY THERE WERE (2) FREE DINNERS COVERED BY THE DETACHMENT FOR NATIONAL GUESTS MARK ARENSON AND HIS WIFE. THERE WERE (5) NO SHOWS.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY ROBERT BREUTZMANN (018) MOTION PASSED.

OFFICER REPORTS

Vice Commander – ROBERT BREUTZMANN (018) DISTRICTS –5-6-11, REPORTED THE 5TH DISTRICT IS AT 32%, 6TH IS AT 37.10% AND THE 11TH DISTRICT IS AT 35%

MOTION WAS MADE BY KELLY POWERS (158) TO ACCEPT THE VICE COMMANDER REPORT, SECONDED BY RUSS SEVERSON (313), MOTION PASSED.

Vice Commander – RUSSELL B. SEVERSON (313) REPORTED, DISTRICTS 3-7-9, NO. OF SQUADRONS AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 34, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 599, NUMBER OF GOOSE EGGS 12, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 12 NUMBER OF SQUADRONS 100% OR MORE 7. NO OF SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 1, 1 NEW SQUADRON, HAS MADE NUMEROUS CONTACTS WITH OTHER SQUADRONS.

ATTENDED THE NATIONAL CONVENTION HELD IN MILWAUKEE, TWO SEPARATE TIMES VISITED STOUGHTON (059) IN JULY AND SEPT. ALSO VISITED VERONA (385) AUG 2010 AND MAZOMANIE (437) SEPT. 2010.

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VICE COMMANDER SEVERSON REPORTED FOR 3RD DISTRICT COMMANDER SEAN PATCHIN THE FOLLOWING: ATTENDED THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN MILWAUKEE AS A DELEGATE, DANE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING, 3RD DISTRICT ANNUAL PICNIC AND MEETING. AS THIRD DISTRICT COMMANDER ATTENDED THE FIRST SQUADRON MEETING IN STOUGHTON (059), HELPED OUT SQUADRON (151) MADISON WITH THEIR MISSING MEMBERSHIP CARDS, HELP TO ORGANIZE COLOR GUARD TO ATTEND WWII VETERANS RETURNING ON AN "BADGER HONORS FLIGHT", FILLED SEVERAL VACANT OFFICER AND COMMITTEE POSITION WITH IN THE THIRD DISTRICT STRUCTURE AND ATTENDED THE 3RD DISTRICT FALL LEGION CONFERENCE.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RUSS SEVERSON (313) TO ACCEPT HIS VICE COMMANDER REPORT, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), MOTION PASSED.

Vice Commander – RODNEY P. FALL (108) DISTRICTS –8-10-12, NO. OF SQUADRONS AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 11, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 330, NUMBER OF GOOSE EGGS 6, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 3, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS 100% OR MORE 0, NO. SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 0, NUMBER OF NEW SQUADRONS 0, CONTACTS MADE TO SQUADRONS 5.

ATTENDED THE NATIONAL CONVENTION HELD IN MILWAUKEE 8/27-8/29, 12th DISTRICT FALL D.E.C. MEETINGS AT BIRCHWOOD WI. ON 9/18, MADEN ROCK S.A.L. CHICKEN FRY 7/31/10. S.A.L. (111) CHARTER PRESENTATION AT SOMERSET WI. 8/9/10, ALSO A CHICKEN BBQ 8/14/10, SQUADRON (111) MEETINGS 9/13/10 AND 10/11/10.

HAD NO CHAIRMAN REPORTS TO PRESENT.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RODNEY FALL (108) TO ACCEPT HIS VICE COMMANDER REPORT, SECONDED BY ROBERT L. HOFFMANN (117), MOTION PASSED.

Vice Commander – ROBERT AMES (048) DISTRICTS 1-2-4, NO. OF SQUADRONS AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 37, NUMBER OF GOOSE EGGS 17, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 11, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS 100% OR MORE 4, NUMBER OF NEW SQUADRONS 1 PENDING, CONTACTS MADE TO SQUADRONS SEVERAL.

ATTENDED THE STATE CONVENTION IN WAUSAU, SQUADRON START UP MEETING IN STOUGHTON (59) 7/20/10, OFFICER INSTALLATION AT ORFORDVILLE (209) 7/21/10 AND LAKE GENEVA (024) 8/13/10. S.A.L. AT STOUGHTON (059) 8/24/10, AWARDS NIGHT AT BELOIT (048) 8/11/10 AND THE POW/MIA SILENT MARCH IN UNION GROVE (171) 9/18/10.

VICE COMMANDER AMES REPORTED FOR 4TH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN RUSS EVANSON THE FOLLOWING: DISTRIBUTED S.A.L. AWARDS FROM CONVENTION TO THE FOLLOWING SQUADRONS 180, 203, 434, 444 AND 537. AT THE LAST SQUADRON MEETING MEMBERS AND AUX JR. MEMBERS MADE HALLOWEEN CARDS AND BOOK MARKERS TO DISTRIBUTE TO THE MILWAUKEE VA ALONG WITH HALLOWEEN TREATS.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BOB AMES (048) TO ACCEPT HIS VICE COMMANDER REPORT, SECONDED BY (PDC) LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

Chaplain – ROBERT L. HOFFMANN – REPORTED HE MET WITH THE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN FRANK WOZNIAK AND GAINED INSIGHT INTO HIS ROLE AND EXPECTATIONS AS THE DETACHMENT CHAPLAIN, ALSO OBTAINED SOME GOOD REFERENCE AIDES FROM CHAPLAIN WOZNIAK. CHAPLAIN HOFFMANN WILL BE ATTENDING VETERANS DAY CEREMONIES IN CLINTONVILLE AND AS THE 8TH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN HE WILL PUT HIS BEST EFFORTS INTO GETTING THE CLINTONVILLE SQUADRON RE ESTABLISHED.

NOTED THAT SEVERAL CARDS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT ON BEHALF OF THE DETACHMENT FOR VARIOUS ISSUES.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RUSS SEVERSON (313) TO ACCEPT THE CHAPLAINS REPORT, SECONDED BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406), MOTION PASSED.

N.E.C.- Man – KELLY POWERS (158) REPORTED THE NATIONAL COMMANDERS PROJECT IS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL, ALTHOUGH WISCONSIN IS ONE OF THE HIGHER RATED DETACHMENTS FOR RENEWAL THERE ARE WAYS TO IMPROVE ON THAT. PERSONAL CONTACT IS THE SUGGESTED BEST WAY TO ACHIEVE THOSE BUT WARNED NOT TO BE PUSHY OR DEMANDING. ANOTHER ITEM THE COMMANDER IS BACKING IS "DRIVE TO 5" THIS IS THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION REACHING THE 5 MILLION DOLLAR MARK FOR DONATIONS TO CWF..

ATTENDED THE NATIONAL CONVENTION BUT DUE TO HIS WORK SCHEDULE COULD ONLY ATTEND ON SUNDAY.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KELLY POWERS (158) TO ACCEPT HIS REPORT, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS NOTED THAT THERE IS A PERCENTAGE OF THE MEMBERSHIP WHO ONLY WANT TO PAY THEIR DUES AND BE SILENT MEMBERS. FOR RETENTION IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED AND ADOPTED BY SOME SQUADRONS TO SIGN MEMBERS FOR THREE YEARS AT A REDUCED

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RATE. TOM KNOX NOTED THAT NATIONAL PR IS REQUESTING THAT SQUADRONS TURN IN NEWS ITEMS, ARTICLES AND PHOTOS OF THEIR EVENTS AND THE DETACHMENTS SHOULD REMIND THEM OF THAT. MOTION PASSED.

Alternate N.E.C.-Man – MICHAEL LAWLER REPORTED THAT FROM THE NATIONAL PR IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE SQUADRONS TO STATE THE VALUE OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION IN AREA NEWS OUTLETS LETTING PEOPLE KNOW WHAT THE S.A.L. DOES. THE TRIPLE NICKEL AWARD (\$550 GIFT CERTIFICATE TO EMBLEM SALES) IS UP FOR GRABS FOR THE DETACHMENT THAT ACHIEVES 85% RETENTION, 105% BY CONVENTION AND 5 NEW SQUADRONS. FOR THOSE SQUADRONS THAT DONATE THE PER CAPITA AMOUNT TO THE CWF OR NEF WILL RECEIVE THE NATIONAL AWARD RIBBON. THERE ARE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP RECRUITING AWARDS AVAILABLE, REMIND THE SQUADRON TO FILL OUT THE REPORTS. REMEMBER TO RECRUIT LEGION AND AUXILIARY ALSO.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) TO ACCEPT HIS REPORT, SECONDED BY KELLY POWERS (158), MOTION PASSED.

Historian – DAVID ANDERSON (048) HAD NO REPORT BUT REQUESTED THAT THE SQUADRONS BE REMINDED TO SEND ARTICLES, PHOTOS. ECT. TO HIM OF THEIR EVENTS.

S.A.L. Liaison – MICHAEL LAWLER (437) REPORTED THAT HIMSELF AND DAVID FAUST ATTENDED THE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS THIS PAST WEEKEND SITTING IN ON THE SESSION FOR POLICY WHERE IT WAS NOTED THAT THE DETACHMENT C&BL NEED TO BE CLEANED UP TO BE IN LINE WITH THAT OF THE RESTRUCTURED DEPARTMENT C&BL.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM KNOX (449) TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY RUSS SEVERSON (313), MOTION PASSED.

Department S.A.L. Chairman – ROBERT DANIELSON SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPORT AS FOLLOWS: MR. DANIELSON AND VICE COMM. RODNEY FALL ATTENDED AND PRESENTED CHARTER AND MEMBERSHIP CARDS TO SOMERSET SQUADRON 111 ON AUG. 14TH AND STAYED FOR A CHICKEN AND CORN FEED.

ATTENDED THE NATIONAL CONVENTION SITTING IN ON SEVERAL OF THE MEETINGS AND SESSIONS OF BOTH THE LEGION AND S.A.L..

GRANTSBURG HAS SIGNED THE APPLICATION FOR A SQUADRON. SOME OF THE MEMBERS FROM BIRCHWOOD ARE PLANNING ON JOINING UP WITH SQUADRON 108 CLEAR LAKE UNTIL ISSUES CAN BE RESOLVED AT THEIR POST.

VICE COMM. FALL AND MR. DANIELSON VISITED SOMERSET OCT. 11TH FOR THE ELECTIONS OF OFFICER AND ON THE 12TH OF OCT. VISITED TURTLE LAKE WITH A PROPOSAL TO START A SQUADRON THERE.

PARTICIPATED IN TWO FUNERAL SERVICES LAST MONTH.

MR. DANIELSON NOTED HE MISSED THE SEPT. VAVS MEETING IN MINNEAPOLIS BUT WILL BE ATTENDING THE NOV. MEETINGS.

AT THE SQUADRON LEVEL CLEAR LAKE 108 HAS HAD TWO BRAT STANDS TO DEFRAY THE COST OF SUPPORTING THE BADGER BOYS AND GIRLS STATE CANDIDATES THAT THEY SUPPORT . HELD A BENEFIT FOR A FELLOW MEMBER WITH A CANCEROUS BRAIN TUMOR TO HELP SUPPORT HIS FAMILY.

Detachment Commander – KERRY SEVERSON (245) REPORTED HE ATTENDED THE AND INSTALLED OFFICERS AT THE NEW SQUADRON AT STOUGHTON (059), WAS IN ATTENDANCE AT THE THIRD DISTRICT PICNIC AND OF COURSE ATTENDED THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN MILWAUKEE INVITED BY (437) MAZOMANIE TO BE IN THEIR WILD WEST DAYS PARADE AND ENJOYED A HELICOPTER RIDE OVER BEAUTIFUL MAZOMANIE, HAS BEEN TO PORTAGE SEVERAL TIMES HELPED TO STUFF ENVELOPES WITH ADJUTANT LAWLER, MET THE STAFF AT HEADQUARTERS, ATTENDED AWARDS NIGHT AT SQUADRON (48) BELOIT,

AND WHILE THERE LEARNED OF THEIR PROGRAM “OPERATION HEADSTONE” WHERE THE LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT CLEAN VETERANS HEADSTONES WITH A PRESSURE WASHER..

MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT BREUTZMANN (018) TO ACCEPT THE COMMANDERS REPORT, SECONDED BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406), MOTION PASSED.

RECEIVE RESOLUTION, MOTIONS AND PETITIONS

NONE RECEIVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NATIONAL CONVENTION WRAP UP DENNIS STOCKFISCH REPORTED THAT THERE WERE 2500 COW PINS ORDERED AT A COST OF \$5500. TO DATE THE AMOUNT OF \$7312 WAS BROUGHT IN WITH 782 PINS BEING SOLD IN VARIOUS AMOUNTS. WITH THE COST OF THE PINS BEING PAID BACK, SOME OPERATING

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EXPENSES AND A DONATION FROM THE PINS TO CWF. \$739.87 IS THE CURRENT PROFIT FROM THE PIN SALES. THERE ARE APPROX. 1648 PINS LEFT TO DEAL WITH SOME OF WHICH ARE STILL OUT ON CONSIGNMENT BY SOME MEMBERS.

FROM A VARIED DISCUSSION IT WAS CONSIDERED WHAT TO DO WITH THE REMAINING PINS.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KELLY POWERS (158) TO SELL THE PINS THAT ARE LEFT AT \$10.00 EACH OR FOUR FOR \$20.00, SECONDED BY RODNEY FALL (108), MOTION PASSED.

DENNIS STOCKFISCH REVIEWED THE POLICY ADDITION IN REGARDS TO HOW THE ALTERNATE DELEGATE GET SWITCHED OVER TO THE DELEGATE POSITION AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE FIRST ALT. DELEGATE AS LISTED WITH A DOWNWARD PROGRESSION OF THE LIST, FROM THE STATE ELECTIONS GETS THE CALL TO FILL A VACANT DELEGATE POSITION TO NATIONAL.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM KNOX (449) TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION, SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

IT IS BEING RECOMMENDED THAT WHEN ATTENDING A NATIONAL CONVENTION MEMBERS FROM WISCONSIN SHALL ADHERE TO THE SAME DRESS CODE THAT IS ESTABLISHED BY THE DETACHMENT FOR STATE CONVENTIONS.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KELLY POWERS (158) TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), MOTION PASSED.

Appointment of Members of Standing or Special Committees

Made by Commander Severson (245)

COMMANDER SEVERSON APPOINTED ROBERT AMES (048) WITH HIS ACCEPTANCE TO THE VAVS COMMITTEE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MICHAEL LAWLER (437) TO ACCEPT COMMANDER POWERS APPOINTMENT, SECONDED BY TOM KNOX (449) MOTION PASSED.

New Business

NONE

Good of the Sons of The American Legion

VICE COMMANDER ROBERTS AMES NOTED THAT THE ROCK VALLEY HOME FOR VETERANS WHICH WILL BE STARTING UP JAN 1ST, 2011 WITH APPROX. 12 RENOVATED ROOMS IS STILL IN NEED OF HELP FUNDING WISE, A FUND RAISER IS GOING ON AND HE HAS TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR SALE.

IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE A CAP BAG TOM KNOX NOTED THAT HE HAD SOME LEFT THAT HE HAD BROUGHT BACK FROM THE NATIONAL MEETINGS.

MEMBERSHIP WAS TURNED IN FROM THE FOLLOWING SQUADRONS. (121) RIVER FALLS 42, (071) PEWAUKEE 13, (294) HARTLAND 18, (48) BELOIT.

THE MIDWINTER WILL BE A TWO DAY EVENT HELD IN WISCONSIN DELLS AT THE HO CHUNK FACILITY, JAN 21ST & 22ND, COMMITTEES ARE FRI AFTERNOON, WORKSHOPS ARE SAT. MORNING. THE D.E.C. TIME IS NOT SET IN STONE AS YET.

THE SPRING D.E.C. WILL BE APRIL 16TH AT PORTAGE.

THERE WILL BE A VETERANS DAY DINNER IN CLEAR LAKE NOV. 13TH, PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT BADGER BOYS STATE ATTENDEE'S.

WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS COMMANDER POWERS CLOSED THE FALL D.E.C. WITH THE PROPER CLOSING CEREMONIES.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY THE DETACHMENT ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GARY LEE LE ROY

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