

**Sons Of The American Legion
Detachment Of Wisconsin
Spring D.E.C. Minutes 2010**

SATURDAY APRIL 24TH, 2010 COMMANDER KELLY POWERS (158) CALLED TO ORDER THE SPRING D. E. C. MEETING, BEING HELD AT 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	KELLY R. POWERS	(158)	P
“	- VICE COMM.	KERRY L. SEVERSON	(245)	P
“	- VICE COMM.	RUSSELL SEVERSON	(313)	E
“	- VICE COMM.	ROBERT AMES	(048)	P
“	- VICE COMM.	RODNEY P. FALL	(108)	P
“	- FINANCE OFFICER	DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH	(406)	P
“	- CHAPLAIN	RALPH CARLTON	(048)	A
“	- SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	GARY LUBICH	(121)	P
“	- SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	BARRY PRINDLE	(048)	E
“	- N. E. C MAN	LAWRENCE A. RICE	(449)	P
“	- ALT. N. E. C. MAN	PATRICK N. GRYSKIEWICZ	(093)	P
“	- ADJUTANT	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	- ASSIS'T. ADJUTANT	GARY LEE LE ROY	(294)	P
“	- HISTORIAN	DAVID ANDERSON	(048)	P
“	- EDITOR	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	- JUDGE ADVOCATE	THOMAS A. KNOX	(449)	P
DEPARTMENT -	A. L. COMMANDER	LEO ENDRES		-
“	- A. L. CHAIRMAN	ROBERT DANIELSON		-
“	- A. L. COMMITTEEMAN	WAYNE CHRISTENSEN		-
“	- A. L. COMMITTEEMAN	RICH RULAND		-
	- S. A. L. LIAISON	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
	- S. A. L. COMMITTEEMAN	KELLY R. POWERS	(158)	P
	- S. A. L. COMMITTEEMAN	GARY LUBICH	(121)	P

Roll Call Of District Chairman

FIRST DISTRICT -	GARY MYERS	(294)	P
SECOND DISTRICT -	TOM PETRIE	(186)	E
THIRD DIST.-COMMANDER	SEAN PATCHIN	(385)	P
FOURTH DISTRICT -	RUSSELL EVANSON	(018)	P
FIFTH DISTRICT -	RUSSELL EVANSON	(018)	P
SIXTH DISTRICT -	VACANT		
SEVENTH DISTRICT -	VACANT		
EIGHTH DISTRICT -	VACANT		
NINTH DISTRICT -	VACANT		
TENTH DISTRICT -	KARL ADANK	(158)	E
ELEVENTH DISTRICT -	PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ	(093)	P
TWELFTH DISTRICT -	MARK WOOD	(108)	P
THIRTEENTH DISTRICT -	DENNIS BLUE	(MN)	
FOURTEENTH DISTRICT -	TOMMIE CISNA	(IL)	

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 L. HANSON (52), PATRICK N. GRYSKIEWICZ (093), KIRK D. HOVE (158).

QUORUM WAS REPORTED PRESENT, BY THE DETACHMENT ADJUTANT.

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Guest To The Spring D.E.C.

SQUADRON 71 COMMANDER - CHRIS SHERMAN
SQUADRON 71 ADJUTANT STEVEN BREEN
SQUADRON 71 SGT-AT-ARMS - TIM BREEN

Reading Of The Previous Minutes

Presented By Detachment Assistant Adjutant Gary Lee LeRoy (294)

MOTION BY DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (406) TO ACCEPT THE PREVIOUS D. E. C. MINUTES FROM THE MID WINTER MEETING AS PUBLISHED AND DISTRIBUTED BY THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT, SECONDED BY THOMAS A. KNOX (449), MOTION PASSED.

Official Correspondence

Presented By Detachment Adjutant Michael L. Lawler (437)

ADJUTANT LAWLER (437) REPORTED 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 LATER ACTION.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Americanism

Reported By Chairman Mike Pook (449)

MIKE POOK REPORTED THAT THIRTY ENTRIES WERE RECEIVED FOR THE COLORING CONTEST, THESE WERE JUDGED AND THE FOLLOWING ARE LISTED AS THE WINNERS, BY AGE CATEGORY FIRST PRIZE WAS \$25.00, SECOND PRIZE IS \$15.00 AND THIRD PLACE WAS \$10.00. DUE TO QUALITY OF WORK IN THE 8 TO 12 AGE GROUP WHICH MADE JUDGING DIFFICULT THE COMMITTEE ADDED A FOURTH PLACE POSITION FOR A \$10.00 PRIZE.

AGE GROUP 0 TO 3

- 1ST) BRADY MAJKOWSKI , AGE 3 (18)
- 2ND) ANDREW A BUHR, AGE 2 (108)
- 3RD) IZZY JOHNSON AGE 2 (WISCONSIN DELLS)

AGE GROUP 4 TO 7

- 1ST) ERIK RAATZ, AGE 7 (62)
- 2ND) JOSHUA SAVOIE, AGE 6 (18)
- 3RD) BIANCA NELSON, AGE 6 (116)

AGE GROUP 8 TO 12

- 1ST) CAL MAJKOWSKI , AGE 9 (18)
- 2ND) JOOSIAH SAVOIE, AGE 12 (18)
- 3RD) JERRY POOK, AGE 10 (449)
- 4TH) JAROD RIELLY, AGE 11 (214)

AGE GROUP 13 TO 17

- 1ST) JACOB RIELLY, AGE 13 (214)
- 2ND) PAUL HARTLAUB, AGE 16 (95)
- 3RD) JAKE GOLLA, AGE 17 (18)

THERE WERE NO ENTRIES 18 AND OLDER SUBMITTED BEFORE THE APRIL FIRST DEADLINE.

THE COMMITTEE IS WORKING ON THE CRITERIA FOR THE DETACHMENT PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS THAT WOULD BE AWARDED AT THE MID WINTER MEETING. THE FOLLOWING IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD, 1) REQUIRED TO BE AN EAGLE SCOUT, 2) SQUADRON MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING, 3) RANKS AND ADVANCEMENTS, 4) EARNED LEADERSHIP QUALITIES, 5) OTHER COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS, 6) ACADEMICS ACHIEVED. AGE WOULD BE LIMITED TO UNDER 19 YEARS

MOTION BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) TO ACCEPT THE AMERICANISM REPORT, SECONDED BY PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (93), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS RECOMMENDED THE COMMITTEE CONSIDER THE JUDGING STRUCTURE ALSO. MOTION PASSED.

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Children & Youth

Reported By Acting Chairman Michael Lawler (437)

COMMITTEE REPORTED THAT IF \$1.00 PER MEMBER FROM A SQUADRON IS DONATED TO CWF, NATIONAL WOULD AWARD THE SQUADRON AN HONOR RIBBON. FUNDS SHOULD BE REPORTED AND IN BY MAY 15TH. CURRENT TOTAL DONATED FOR CHILD WELFARE FOUNDATION TO DATE IS \$911.

MOTION BY MICHAEL LAWLER (437) TO ACCEPT THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH REPORT, SECONDED BY LAWRENCE A. RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

Reported By Chairman Rodney P Fall (108)

MONIES HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR TWO PLAQUES ONE AT KING AND ONE AT UNION GROVE TO BE PRESENTED TO VETERANS CEMETERIES THE COMMITTEE IS CONTINUING THE PROCESS OF SECURING THE PROPER INFORMATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR THE FINANCE OFFICER TO ACT.

MADE NOTE THAT VETERANS ASSISTANCE DAY IS MAY 15TH, 2010 ALL SHOULD HELP A VETERAN OUT SUGGESTIONS ARE POSTED ON THE S.A.L. WEBSITE.

LZ LAMBEAU WILL BE HELD MAY 21ST THRU THE 23RD AND IS IN HONOR OF THE VIET NAM ERA VETERAN. ALL KINDS OF IMPRESSIVE ITEMS AND MINI EVENTS ARE PLANNED.

TOMAH WILL BE HOSTING THE NATIONAL VETERANS CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL FOR WISCONSIN, THERE WILL BE A BUILD A COW CONTEST. THERE WOULD BE A WEIGHT LIMIT OF 50 POUNDS AND NEEDS TO BE MADE OF NON PERISHABLE MATERIALS THE DEADLINE FOR THE CONTEST IS MAY 21ST.

HORICON AMERICAN LEGION POST 157 WILL BE HOLDING A WALK FOR VETERANS ENTRY IS \$25.00 AND WILL BE HELD MAY 15TH & 16TH.

THE DRY HOOCH VETERANS QUEST MAY 14TH THRU 16TH WILL BE HELD AT THE HIGH GROUND IN NEILLSVILLE IT IS IN SUPPORT OF THOSE IN NEED OF COUNSELING FOR PTSD (POST TRAUMA STRESS DISORDER) AND OTHER MENTAL DISORDERS.

CAMP AMERICAN LEGION POSSIBLY WILL BE REMOLDING THEIR THERAPY BUILDING.

THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS BE MADE. \$50 TO THE CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL, \$100.00 THE DRY HOOCH QUEST AND INCREASING THE CURRENT FUNDS FOR CAMP AMERICAN LEGION OF \$1635 THAT ARE ON HAND TO THE AMOUNT OF \$2000.

CURRENT DONATIONS TO THE COMMANDERS PROJECT PASS THE HAT FOR HOMELESS VETERANS IS AT \$519.00.

MOTION BY LAWRENCE A. RICE (449) TO ACCEPT THE VETERANS AFFAIRS REHABILITATION REPORT WITH SEPARATE ACTION ON ALL MONETARY REQUESTS, SECONDED BY KIRK D. HOVE (158), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS ASKED IF ALL THE VAVR REPS HAVE BEEN RE CERTIFIED AT THIS POINT IN TIME, ADJUTANT LAWLER KNEW OF A FEW BUT HAS GOT NOTHING BACK FROM NATIONAL AT THIS TIME AND DATE CONFIRMING ALL OF THE REPS. COMMANDER POWERS NOTED THAT HE HAS JUST RECEIVED A CHECK FOR \$50.00 FROM KENOSHA FOR THE COMMANDERS PROJECT THAT CAN BE ADDED TO THE TOTAL FOR THAT PROGRAM, MOTION PASSED

BY SEPARATE ACTION MICHAEL LAWLER (437) MOTIONED FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE DONATIONS OF \$100.00 TO THE DRY HOOCH PROGRAM AND \$50.00 TO THE CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL FROM THE 2010 GENERAL BUDGETED ACCOUNT, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS NOTED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER THAT FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE FROM DESIGNATED FUNDS FOR VA&R AND SUGGESTED THE REQUEST BE AMENDED TO SECURE THE PAYMENT FROM THAT FUND, MICHAEL LAWLER AMENDED HIS MOTION TO DO SO, MOTION PASSED.

BY SEPARATE ACTION MICHAEL LAWLER (437) MOTIONED FOR ACCEPTANCE TO DISTRIBUTE THE EXISTING \$1635 WITH THE ADDITION OF \$365 TO CAMP AMERICAN LEGION TO A TOTAL OF \$2000.00 FOR THE UPDATE OF THE PROPOSED THERAPY BUILDING CONTINGENT ON VERIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION FROM DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROJECT AT THE CAMP, SECONDED BY PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (093), MOTION PASSED.

COMMISSIONS AND SUBCOMMITTEES

Internal Affairs

Reported By Chairman Kerry Severson (245)

NATIONAL OFFICERS CAMPAIGN – CANDIDATE FOR NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER, PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ HAS BEEN INVITED TO THE STATES OF MICHIGAN AND MINNESOTA TO ATTEND THEIR STATE CONVENTIONS AS A CANDIDATE. PATRICK WILL BE ATTENDING THE N.E.C. MEETING NEXT WEEKEND AT INDIANAPOLIS.

SCHOLARSHIP – LAWRENCE RICE REPORTED FOUR ENTRIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED ONE HAD TO BE DISQUALIFIED THE REMAINING THREE WERE JUDGED AND THE WINNER IS ONE JOSEPH PATRICK PHILLIPS OF SQUADRON 75 FOND DU LAC.

DISTINGUISHED GUEST – LAWRENCE RICE REPORTED THE DUTIES OF THE N.E.C. IS TO PRESENT NATIONAL GUEST TO THE DETACHMENT. ADJUTANT LAWLER NOTED THAT THE NATIONAL COMMANDER MARK ARNESON AND VICE COMMANDER DENNIS THEOBOLD HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND THE DETACHMENT STATE CONVENTION NEITHER ONE HAS CONFIRMED TO DATE.

OFFICERS DEVELOPMENT – DAVID FAUST (245) REPORTED THAT HE PRESENTED A SESSION ON PROFESSIONALISM PRIOR TO THIS MEETING.

COMMANDERS ADVISORY – DAVID FAUST (245) REPORTED THAT DISCUSSION WERE HELD ON IMPROVING MEMBER INVOLVEMENT AND MORE WORK IS NEEDED FOR THE FUTURE.

MEMBERSHIP – PDC KIRK HOVE (158) REPORTED THAT THERE ARE 4 SQUADRONS UNDER 10 MEMBERS VERONA 385, CLINTONVILLE 63, OCONTO FALLS 302 AND BOYD 326. BOYD HAS THE MEMBERSHIP THEIR ADJUTANT HAS NOT SUBMITTED IT YET. IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT A LETTER BE DRAFTED AND SENT REMINDING THESE SQUADRONS TO FORWARD THEIR MEMBERSHIP.

NEW SQUADRONS THAT HAVE BEEN ADDED ARE 71 PEWAUKEE, 95 DELAVAN AND 544 TWIN LAKES. TWO POSSIBLE LOCATIONS FOR SQUADRON ARE GRANTSBURG AND GORDON, START UP PACKETS HAVE BEEN SENT TO BOTH. OTHER AREAS THAT EXPRESSED INTEREST ARE STOUGHTON, WAUNAKEE, NEW RICHMOND AND HALES CORNERS.

THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED OTHER ITEMS, THE PUFL AND DATES OF BIRTH ARE STILL A PRIORITY FOR THE SQUADRONS TO FURNISH. THE RENEWAL RATE FOR MEMBERSHIP IS AT 81.41%. THE DETACHMENT IS IN 4TH PLACE IN THE CENTRAL REGION AND 20TH NATION WIDE.

THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT PDC ELMER HANSON BE APPOINTED AS 7TH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN.

CONVENTION ACTIVITIES – MIKE POOK (449) REPORTED THAT FOR THE STATE CONVENTION SATURDAY NIGHT SOCIAL EVENTS ARE RECOMMENDED AS 1) PIZZA POOL PARTY 6PM TO 8PM 2) BOWLING AT MOUNTAIN LANES ARE BEING INVESTIGATED. THERE POSSIBLY COULD BE INTERNAL RAFFLE SUCH WAS HELD THE MID WINTER MEETING AGAIN EACH SQUADRON WOULD BE ASKED TO PROVIDE A RAFFLE ITEM, THIS DOES NEED TO BE CONFIRMED.

FOR THE NATIONAL CONVENTION PLANS HAVE BEEN SET IN MOTION FOR A DINNER DANCE IT WOULD BE HOSTED AT THE TANNER PAUL POST 120 ON AUG. 27TH LOCATED AT 70TH AND BEECHER APPROX. ONE MILE SOUTH OF I-94. THE THEME IS WISCONSIN HERITAGE AND WOULD BE COMBINED WITH A HARLEY THEME. CHOICE OF FOOD IS THE TRADITIONAL FISH FRY. THERE IS VARIETY OF MUSIC PLANNED WITH A LIVE BAND AT A COST OF \$200.00. JUST THE DANCE WOULD BE A \$5.00 COVER, DINNER AND MUSIC WOULD BE A TOTAL OF \$20.00. REGISTRATION AND COCKTAILS ARE FROM 5PM TO 6PM. 6PM TO 7PM MEAL, SHORT PROGRAM FROM 7PM TO 7:30PM, DANCING FROM 7:30 TO 11:00PM. RAFFLES AND DOOR PRIZES DURING THE EVENINGS EVENTS. TRANSPORTATION NEEDS TO BE CONSIDERED AND SECURED FOR THIS EVENT.

FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS ASKED IF THE HOSTING POST 120 WOULD REQUIRE A SPECIFIC AMOUNT OF MEALS TO BE PAID FOR, THE CHAIRMAN NOTED THIS WAS NOT CONSIDERED AS YET AND HE WOULD DISCUSS THIS ISSUE WITH TANNER-PAUL 120. A SECONDED QUESTION AROSE IN REGARD TO THE FUNDS EXPENDED FOR THE BAND IS THE AMOUNT \$300.00 THAT WAS SENT OR \$200.00 CHAIRMAN POOK NOTED HE WOULD INVESTIGATE THIS ISSUE.

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CONVENTION ACTIVITIES – MIKE POOK CONTINUED:

FROM DISCUSSION IN THE COMMITTEE THEY RECOMMEND THAT THE GOLF OUTING BEING INVESTIGATED AND PLANNED SHOULD BE CANCELED BECAUSE 1) TRANSPORTATION IS DIFFICULT TO ESTABLISH, 2) LACK OF AVAILABLE WORKERS FOR THE THURS OF THIS EVENT 3) IT WAS FELT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR VISITING MEMBERS WHOM DID WISH TO GOLF TO DRAG THEIR CLUBS ALONG FOR THIS EVENT. OAK HILLS GOLF COURSE HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE OUTING. IN ANY CASE MR. POOK WOULD NEED TO RESIGN FROM ORGANIZATION OF THE GOLF OUTING TO PUT HIS EFFORTS INTO THE DINNER DANCE.

FROM DISCUSSION ON THIS MATTER IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE N.E.C. AND ALT. N.E.C. MAN SEEK OUT INFORMATION AT THE NATIONAL MEETING NEXT WEEK AT INDIANAPOLIS IF INTEREST INSUCH AN EVENT WOULD ACTUALLY BE ACCEPTABLE BEFORE IT IS TOTALLY CANCELED. IT WAS ALSO SUGGESTED THAT A SQUADRON BE FOUND THAT COULD RUN WITH THE OPERATION OF THIS EVENT.

FINANCE OFFICER DENNIS STOCKFISCH REPORTED THAT THE 2010 NATIONAL CONVENTION COW PIN SALES ARE AT 148 THERE ARE 300 PINS OUT ON CONSIGNMENT. THE ORIGINAL ORDER WAS 2500 PINS AND WITH ONLY FOUR MONTHS TO GO WE NEED TO GET THE SALES MOVING TO BREAK EVEN ON THIS PROGRAM.

PUBLIC RELATIONS – NO REPORT

MOTION BY TOM KNOX (449) TO ACCEPT THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS ASKED IF TWO EVENTS FOR THE STATE CONVENTION COULD BE RUN IT WAS NOTED THAT COMMITTEE SHOULD TAKE THIS UNDER CONSIDERATION KEEPING IN MIND THAT GENERALLY A LIMITED AMOUNT OF MEMBERS DO ATTEND THESE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

PDC HOVE (158) PRESENTED A SENSITIVE ISSUE IT WAS POINTED OUT BY THE JUDGE ADVOCATE, THOMAS A. KNOX (449) THAT HIS CONCERNS MAY BE VALID BUT THAT THE ISSUE WAS NOT GERMANE TO THE REPORT AND OR PROPER TO BRING UP DURING THE FORUM OF THIS D.E.C. MEETING AND HE SHOULD DISCUSS THIS MATTER LATER AFTER THE MEETING HAS BEEN ADJOURNED WITH THE COMMANDER AND THE ADJUTANT.

MOTION PASSED.

Constitution & By – Laws

Reported By Chairman Dennis F. Stockfish (406)

POLICY – NO REPORT

LEGISLATIVE –

RESOLUTIONS – NO RESOLUTIONS TO ATTEND TO.

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS – THE COMMISSION HAD SEVERAL ITEMS TO ATTEND TO 1) REVIEWED THE PROPOSED RESTRUCTURING OF THE STANDING RULES OF CONVENTION IT WAS NOTED THAT OUT OF THE 29 EXISTING RULES THIS WAS REDUCED TO 21 AND NEEDED TO BE PRESENTED TO THE BODY ONE BY ONE FOR APPROVAL. AS TIME WAS GETTING SHORT MOTION BY TOM KNOX TO DISTRIBUTE THE CHANGES BY E-MAIL AND HAVE A VOTE FOR APPROVAL OF THE DOCUMENT, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), MOTION PASSED.

FROM DISCUSSION COMMANDER POWERS DIRECTED THAT ANY ONE OF THE RULES THAT WOULD HAVE A DIRECT BEARING ON THE NEW PROPOSED STRUCTURE OF ELECTIONS THAT NEEDED TO BE DEALT WITH FOR THE ADJUTANT TO PREPARE THE PROPER ELECTION PROCEDURE AND HAVE IT IN PLACE FOR THE UPCOMING CONVENTION SHOULD BE DONE NOW. ANY REMAINING ITEMS COULD BE SENT OUT BY THE ADJUTANT FOR REVIEW SO THAT THEY COULD BE DEALT WITH AT THE PRE D.E.C. MEETING AT CONVENTION.

MOTION BY TOM KNOX TO RECONSIDER AND RESCIND THE PREVIOUS MOTION FOR A E-MAIL VOTE ON THE RULES AS THEY STAND, SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE, MOTION PASSED.

COMMANDER POWERS SUGGESTED THAT ANY ITEM PERTAINING DIRECTLY TO THE SET UP OF THE CONVENTION BE HANDLE NOW.

CHAIRMAN DENNIS STOCKFISCH PRESENTED RULE 21 FROM THE ORIGINAL STANDING RULES OF CONVENTION. THE PROPOSED CHANGE TO THIS RULE WOULD BE *NOMINATIONS FOR DETACHMENT OFFICERS SHALL BE HELD ON FRIDAY OF THE CONVENTION AND THE ELECTION OF DETACHMENT OFFICERS SHALL BE ON SATURDAY. NOMINATION AND ELECTIONS OF NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATES SHALL BE ON SATURDAY FROM THE CONVENTION FLOOR.*

MOTION BY SEAN PATCHIN (385) FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE CHANGE, SECONDED BY TOM KNOX (449), MOTION PASSED.

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS CONTINUED

CHAIRMAN DENNIS STOCKFISCH PRESENTED RULE 16 FROM THE ORIGINAL STANDING RULES OF CONVENTION. THE PROPOSED ADDITION TO THIS RULE OR NEW RULE WOULD BE *ANNOUNCED CANDIDATES FOR THE ELECTED OFFICE SHALL SUBMIT A WRITTEN RESUME, ON THE OFFICIAL FORM, OF THEIR QUALIFICATIONS AT FRIDAY'S SESSION. FLOOR NOMINEES SHALL GIVE AN ORAL WITH A WRITTEN REPORT FORM READY BY SATURDAY'S OPENING SESSION. ALL REPORTS OR FORMS TO BE GIVEN TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AND POSTED UNTIL THE END OF ELECTIONS. SHOULD NO RESUME BE PRESENTED THE CANDIDATES NAME SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE BALLOT.*

MOTION BY THOMAS KNOX (449) TO ACCEPT THE ADDITIONAL RULE, SECONDED BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), FROM LENGTHY DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO THE LAST SENTENCE OF THE RULE, MANY IDEAS AND CONCERNS WERE PRESENTED VICE COMMANDER AMES REQUESTED COMMANDER POWERS CALL FOR THE VOTE, MOTION PASSED.

THE GUIDELINES FOR DETACHMENT COMMANDER WERE REVIEWED AND FINALIZED THESE WILL BE GIVEN TO THE ADJUTANT FOR PUBLICATION, IT WAS ALSO NOTED THAT THIS DOCUMENT WOULD WORK WELL FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE COMMANDERS.

THE NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR SET UP OF A COUNTY OR DISTRICT LEVEL OF SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION WAS REVIEWED, FINALIZED AND RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL CHAIRMAN STOCKFISCH READ THE REQUIREMENTS TO THE DETACHMENT BODY.

MOTION BY SEAN PATCHIN (385), FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT, SECONDED BY TOM KNOX (449), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS NOTED BY COMMISSION MEMBER TOM KNOX THAT IT WAS ALSO WAS DISCUSSED TO ADD COUNTY COMMANDERS WOULD BE DELEGATES AT LARGE TO THEIR CORRESPONDING DISTRICT, MOTION PASSED.

Finance

Reported By Finance Officer Dennis F. Stockfisch

COMMISSION REVIEWED THE GENERAL BUDGET ACCOUNT AND THE REMAINING SHORT YEAR BUDGET FROM AUG. 1, 2009 TO DEC. 31ST, 2009, MONIES ARE EXPECTED TO BE ROLLED OVER, BUT THE FINAL AUDIT HAS NOT OCCURRED AS YET.

REVIEWED THE 2010 BUDGET THAT WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON AND THERE APPEARS TO NOT BE ANY MAJOR ISSUES AS YET.

REVIEWED THE MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT AND FOUND THAT TO BE SOLID WITH NO ISSUES. THERE WERE NO REQUEST FOR FUNDS FROM COMMITTEE'S.

THERE WERE THREE ADDITIONAL DONATIONS TO N.E.F. \$50.00 (437), \$100.00 (209) AND \$25.00 (48).

MOTION BY PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (093) TO ACCEPT FINANCE REPORT SUBJECT TO AUDIT, SECONDED BY RODNEY FALL (108), MOTION PASSED.

OFFICER REPORTS

Vice Commander – KERRY L. SEVERSON (245) DISTRICTS 7-8-9, REPORTED TOTAL NUMBER OF SQUADRONS 25, HAS 2 GOOSE EGGS, 1 SQUADRONS OVER 100%, SEVEN SQUADRONS ARE CLOSE TO 100%. IS STILL HAVING PROBLEMS CONTACTING CLINTONVILLE 63.

ATTENDED THE IOWA COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION MEETING, AND POST 13 AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY DINNER.

MOTION BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) TO ACCEPT THE VICE COMMANDER REPORT, SECONDED BY LAWRENCE A. RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

Vice Commander – RUSSELL B. SEVERSON (313) IT WAS NOTED BY ADJUTANT LAWLER WHO WAS IN CONTACT WITH RUSSELL SEVERSON THAT HE HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO DO MUCH SINCE HIS SHOULDER SURGERY BUT DID WANT TO EXTEND HIS THANKS TO THE OTHER VICE COMMANDERS FOR TAKING UP THE SLACK WITH IN HIS AREA IN HIS ABSENCE.

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Vice Commander – RODNEY P. FALL (108) DISTRICTS 10-11-12, NO. OF SQUADRONS AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 9, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 269, NUMBER OF GOOSE EGGS 1, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 6, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS 100% OR MORE 5, NO. SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 5, NUMBER OF NEW SQUADRONS 0, CONTACTS MADE TO SQUADRONS 3.

ATTENDED MEETINGS AT ST. CROIX FALLS PRESENTED AWARDS ON 3/4/10, LEGION BIRTHDAY AT ST. CROIX FALLS 3/20/10 AND THE S.A.L. SPAGHETTI DINNER AT RIVER FALLS 3/27/10.

MOTION BY RODNEY FALL (108) TO ACCEPT HIS REPORT, SECONDED BY KIRK HOVE (158), MOTION PASSED.

12TH District Chairman – MARK WOOD (108), NO. OF SQUADRONS AS OF THE LAST D.E.C. 2, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 2, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS 100% OR MORE 2, NO. SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 2, NUMBER OF NEW SQUADRONS 0.

ATTENDED POLK COUNTY MEETINGS AT MILLTOWN ON 2/27/10, LEGION BIRTHDAY AT SPOONER 3/13/10, LEGION BIRTHDAY AT GRANTSBURG 3/13/10 AND THE LEGION BIRTHDAY AT ST. CROIX FALLS 3/20/10. ALSO ATTENDED A LEGION CHICKEN DINNER IN RIVER FALLS 2/13/10 AND THE S.A.L. SPAGHETTI DINNER AT RIVER FALLS 3/27/10.

MOTION BY RODNEY FALL (108) TO ACCEPT THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT, SECONDED BY KIRK HOVE (158), MOTION PASSED.

Vice Commander – ROBERT AMES (048) DISTRICTS 1-4-5, HAS A TOTAL OF 26 SQUADRONS, REPORTED TOTAL NUMBER OF GOOSE EGGS 0, CURRENT MEMBERSHIP 970, NUMBER OF SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 9,

NUMBER OF SQUADRONS 100% OR MORE 16, NO. SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 4, NUMBER OF NEW SQUADRONS 3, CONTACTS MADE TO SQUADRONS MANY.

ATTENDED THE MID WINTER D.E.C. MEETINGS IN THE WIS. DELLS 1/27/10, IOWA COUNTY MEETING OF THE S.A.L. IN HOLLANDALE 3/16/10, ROCK COUNTY MEETING OF THE S.A.L. IN БЕЛОIT 3/18/10, DANE COUNTY MEETING OF THE S.A.L. IN STOUGHTON 3/25/10 AND THE AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY PARTY SQUADRON 544 TWIN LAKES ON 2/13/10.

1ST District Chairman – GARY MYERS (294) ATTENDED MEETINGS AT PEWAUKEE, MUKWONAGO, DOUSMAN, DELAFIELD AND OCONOMOWOC.

4 & 5TH District Chairman – RUSSELL EVANSON (018) HELPED AT A PANCAKE BREAKFAST IN GREENDALE AT POST 416, WORKED ON A CLOTHING DRIVE WITH POST 18 FOR THE VETERANS HOSPITAL IN MILWAUKEE, DISTRIBUTED SQUADRON AWARDS TO 434,180,23,406 AND 27.

MOTION BY BOB AMES (048) TO ACCEPT HIS VICE COMMANDER REPORT, SECONDED BY PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (093), MOTION PASSED.

3RD District Chairman – SEAN PATCHIN (385) REPORTED THAT HE WAS ELECTED LAST SATURDAY AS THE THIRD DISTRICT COMMANDER TO THE NEWLY FORMED DISTRICT. HE DID ATTEND THE FREEDOM FLIGHT TAKE OFF DEPARTURE AND THE RETURN FLIGHT TO GREET THE VETERANS THAT HAD GONE ON THE FLIGHT.

MOTION BY SEAN PATCHIN (385) FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF HIS REPORT, SECONDED BY BOB AMES (048), MOTION PASSED.

Chaplain – RALPH CARLTON – NO REPORT

N.E.C.- Man – LAWRENCE A. RICE (449) REPORTED THAT SINCE THE MID WINTER HE ATTENDED THE AMERICAN LEGION CONFERENCES IN WASHINGTON DC FEB 28TH THRU MAR. 2ND, VISITING THE ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY FOR THE PLACING OF THE WREATH BY NATIONAL COMMANDER MARK ARNESON. IN ADDITION, PLACE THE DETACHMENT OF WISCONSIN WREATH AT THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORP. IOWA JIMA MEMORIAL. MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES SEN. SENSENBRENER AND RYAN.

MOTION BY TOM KNOX (449) TO ACCEPT THE N.E.C. MAN REPORT, SECOND BY PATRICK GRYSKIWICZ (093), MOTION PASSED.

Alternate N.E.C.-Man – PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ REPORTED THAT HE DID ATTEND THE LEGION BOWLING TOURNAMENT AND HE HAD SOME SMALL MEMENTOS THAT HE PRESENTED TO COMMANDER POWERS.

MOTION BY SEAN PATCHIN (385) FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF ALT. N.E.C. REPORT, SECONDED BY RODNEY FALL (108), MOTION PASSED.

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Historian – DAVID ANDERSON REPORTED THAT HE DOES HAVE THE DIGITAL PICTURE FRAME OPERATING IN THE LOBBY AT THIS TIME AND HAS FIGURED OUT HOW TO OPERATE IT. SQUADRONS CAN SEND DIGITAL PICTURES OF THEIR EVENTS TO HIM FOR LOADING. HE NOTED THAT HE HAS BUSTED HIS PERSONAL CAMERA AND SOME HOW SOME WAY THE S.A.L. DETACHMENT CAMERA HAS BEEN LOST HE IS REQUESTING WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO REPLACE THE DETACHMENT CAMERA.

MOTION BY PATRICK GRYSKEWICZ (093) FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE HISTORIAN REPORT, SECONDED BY BOB AMES (048), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE DETACHMENT CAMERA WAS FAIRLY OLD AND OUT DATED IT WAS RECOMMENDED AND DISCUSSED TO REPLACE THE CAMERA WITH OPTICAL ZOOM FOR A MAX. LIMIT OF \$200.00. COMMANDER POWERS OFFERED TO LOOK AT CAMERAS.

MOTION PASSED.

Department S.A.L. Chairman – ROBERT DANIELSON (108) REPORTED THAT HE ATTENDED THE VAVS MEETING AND DINNER AT THE MINNEAPOLIS VA CENTER ON NOV 5TH, THE DIRECTOR STEPHEN KLIENGLASS INFORMED THE ATTENDEES OF THE VA'S CURRENT PROJECTS. SUCH AS NEW IMAGING AND X-RAY EQUIPMENT, ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE AND UP GRADES, FIRE ALARM UP GRADES, PARKING LOT AND GARAGE PROJECT APPROVAL WHICH IS NEARING COMPLETION. THERE WERE THREE GUEST SPEAKERS WHO DISCUSSED INFECTION PREVENTION AND FLU PANDEMIC, HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE AND THE CANTEEN SERVICES.

ANNUAL REVIEWS ARE DUE FOR VAVS REPS IN JANUARY AND HE WOULD BE ATTENDING THE VAVS MEETING FEB. 3RD 2010.

ALONG WITH MEMBERS FROM SQUADRON 108 CLEAR LAKE ATTENDED VETERANS DAY DINNER NOV 8TH, PARTICIPATED IN FOUR OTHER AREA VETERANS DAY CEREMONIES, IN NOV VOLUNTEERED TO BELL RING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY, IN DEC. PLAYED SANTA CLAUS FOR THE SALVATION ARMY IN VARIOUS LOCAL SCHOOLS AND NURSING HOMES.

MOTION BY RODNEY FALL (108) TO ACCEPT THE DEPT S.A.L. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT, SECONDED BY KIRK HOVE (158), MOTION PASSED.

S.A.L. Liaison – MICHAEL LAWLER (437) HAS BEEN IN REGULAR CONTACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT AND HEADQUARTERS STAFF. THE DEPARTMENT POLICY COMMITTEE IS CURRENTLY REVIEWING THE DETACHMENT'S CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS AND MIGHT HAVE UPDATES AT A LATTER DATE, BASED ON ISSUES THAT AROSE WITH THE DEPARTMENT CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. A DISPLAY CASE HAS BEEN SECURED FOR THE S.A.L. TO BE PLACED IN THE REMOLDING OF THE MUSEUM HERE AT HEADQUARTERS. ATTENDED THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS TESTIMONIAL DINNER.

MOTION BY SEAN PATCHIN (385) TO ACCEPT THE DEPT S.A.L. LIAISON REPORT, SECONDED BY BOB AMES (048), MOTION PASSED.

Detachment Commander – KELLY POWERS (158) REPORTED THAT HE ATTENDED THE CHICKEN DINNER AND THE SPAGHETTI DINNER IN RIVER FALLS, LEGION BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION BOTH AT SPOONER AND GRANTSBURG, IOWA COUNTY MEETINGS AND THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS TESTIMONIAL.

MOTION BY LAWRENCE RICE (449) TO ACCEPT THE COMMANDERS REPORT, SECONDED BY PATRICK GRYSKEWICZ (093), MOTION PASSED.

RECEIVE RESOLUTION, MOTIONS AND PETITIONS

Reported By Chairman Dennis F. Stockfish (406)
NONE RECEIVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS QUESTIONED IN REGARD TO WHAT DIRECTION WILL THE DETACHMENT TAKE TO SUPPORT BADGER BOYS STATE AS THEY HAVE NOW BOUGHT THEIR OWN COPIER, IS THE DETACHMENT STILL LOOKING AT THE GAVEL ISSUE AS A REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR BADGER BOYS STATE. THE ADJUTANT NOTED THAT PROVIDING THE GAVELS WAS SET INTO MOTION. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT A PLAQUE BE MADE AND PRESENTED TO THE GORDON FLESH COMPANY FOR THEIR SOME 20 YEARS OF HELP TO THE DETACHMENT IN SUPPLYING THE COPIERS TO BADGER BOYS STATE.

ADJUTANT LAWLER REPORTED THAT THE DETACHMENT HAD DONATED \$250.00 ALONG WITH DONATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION AND AUXILIARY TO A VETERAN FROM WISCONSIN DELLS WHO HAD JUST RETURNED HOME FROM A TOUR IN IRAQ AND HAD LOST HIS HOME TO A DEVASTATING FIRE.

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Appointment of Members of Standing or Special Committees

Made by Commander Powers (158)

COMMANDER POWERS APPOINTED ELMER HANSON SR. (052) TO THE SEVENTH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN PENDING HIS OFFICIAL ACCEPTANCE.

A MOTION BY KIRK HOVE (158) TO ACCEPT COMMANDER POWERS APPOINTMENT, SECONDED BY RODNEY FALL (108) MOTION PASSED.

New Business

ADJUTANT LAWLER NOTED THAT THE CONSOLIDATED REPORT FORMS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED THESE FORMS NEED TO BE FILLED OUT AND RETURNED TO THE DETACHMENT BY MAY 30TH. THESE REPORTS NEED TO BE JUDGE AT THE STATE LEVEL BEFORE SUBMITTING TO NATIONAL.

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL AT STATE CONVENTION WILL BE THE WAUSAU PLAZA, CONVENTION MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE WAUSAU EAST SCHOOL, AN AWARDS LUNCHEON IS BEING PLANNED IT WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADJUTANT THAT THE DETACHMENT COVER PART OF LUNCHEON COSTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5.00 PER PLATE FOR THE COLD LUNCH OR HOT, IF A HOT LUNCH WAS OBTAINED THE \$5.00 ADDITIONAL WOULD BE CONSIDERED AN OFF SET AMOUNT FOR THE HOT LUNCH AT APPROX. \$10.00 ATTENDING MEMBERS COST WOULD THEN BE \$5.00. THE LUNCHEON WOULD BE AT THE WAUSAU EAST SCHOOL.

A MOTION BY BOB AMES (048) TO ACCEPT THE AWARDS LUNCHEON STRUCTURE, SECONDED BY TOM KNOX (449) MOTION PASSED.

Good of the Sons of The American Legion

SEAN PATCHIN MADE NOTE THAT TODAY WAS ADJUTANT MICHAEL LAWLER'S BIRTHDAY. THE APPROPRIATE VERSES WERE SUNG BY ALL THE MEMBERS PRESENT, AND MR. PATCHIN MADE THE ADJUTANTS LIST.

IT WAS REQUESTED BY N.E.C. MAN LAWRENCE RICE THAT A SYMPATHY CARD BE SENT TO THE FAMILY OF RICHARD J. KEPPLER WHOM PASSED ON. ADJUTANT LAWLER NOTED THAT THIS WAS ALREADY TAKEN CARE OF.

KIRK HOVE DISCUSSED WITH COMMANDER POWER THE IDEA OF SECURING AND PLACING VAVR REPS FOR THE KING VETERANS HOME AND THE HOMELESS VETERANS HOME AT KLEIN.

KIRK HOVE ALSO NOTED THAT HIS MOTHERS NIECE'S HUSBAND (DENNIS HENDRICKSON) WHO HAS RETURNED FROM IRAQ WITH INJURIES WILL BE SPENDING 12 WEEKS AT THE VA IN MINNEAPOLIS.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ANNOUNCED THEIR CANDIDACY FOR DETACHMENT OFFICER POSITIONS:

COMMANDER – MIKE POOK (449)

VICE COMMANDER – RODNEY FALL (108), BOB AMES (048)

CHAPLAIN – GARY KENNEDY (449) WITHDREW HIS CANDIDACY FOR CHAPLAIN 4/24/10

SGT.-AT-ARMS – CHRIS HESSEL (021), ROBERT BREUTZMAN (018), GARY LUBICH (121)

FINANCE OFFICER – DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH

SQUADRON 449 REPORT – REPORTED BY MIKE POOK (449), THE SQUADRON IS HOLDING A CASINO NIGHT TONIGHT.

TWO LEGION MEMBERS FROM POST 449 WENT ON THE MAY FREEDOM FLIGHT. THE SQUADRON WAS HONORED TO DONATE \$500.00 TO THE FREEDOM FLIGHT.

WORK CREW FROM POST 449 WILL BE GOING TO CAMP AMERICAN LEGION TO HELP OUT IN ADDITION THE SQUADRON IS SENDING A \$250.00 TO THE CAMP.

LAWRENCE RICE WILL BE GOING TO NATIONAL MEETINGS IN INDIANAPOLIS WITH HIM WILL BE A CHECK TO C.W.F. FROM SQUADRON 449 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$258.00.

MAY 15TH WILL BE THE SQUADRON 449 CAR SHOW AND THE GEORGE BROWN MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING WILL BE SUNDAY JUNE 27TH.

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GARY LUBICH REPORTED THAT RIVER FALLS (121) SPAGHETTI DINER HELD MARCH 27 WAS A GREAT SUCCESS, SO MUCH SO THAT HE FOLLOWING DONATION WERE MADE ON BEHALF OF HIS SQUADRON, CAMP AMERICAN LEGION \$150.00, C.W.F. \$150.00 AND THE COMMANDERS PROJECT \$150.00.

PATRICK GRYSKEWICZ REPORTED THAT THE MERRILL V.F.W. WILL BE HOLDING A WELCOME HOME VETERANS PROGRAM ON MAY 8TH, 2010. MR. GRYSKEWICZ RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE TOMAH VA ACCEPTING HIMSELF AS A D.A.V. VAN DRIVER.

COMMANDER LOCKWOOD FROM SQUADRON (048) BELOIT TURNED IN MEMBERSHIP.

DAVID ANDERSON REPORTED THAT SQUADRON 48 BELOIT WILL BE HOLDING ITS FIRST MAJOR FUND RAISER IN JUNE IN THE FORM OF A MODEL CAR SWAP MEET AND CONTEST.

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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