



KOREAN WAR VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Council Meeting
Ocala, Florida
Friday, May 6, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bradford at 1:30 P.M.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Chaplain Harold Sievers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms, Mickey Tutolo.

WELCOME

Welcome message by President Bradford. Mr. Bradford reinforced the rules for speakers. He noted that we were taping the meeting for the Secretary President thanked all for coming. He welcomed all and hoped it would be a happy event for all.

REMARKS

Association President William MacSwain was then introduced by President Bradford. Mr. MacSwain thanked all for the invitation to attend the convention. He gave a progress report of happenings on the National level. He noted that the biggest challenge is to get a change in Washington to recognize Korean Service members via the IRS. Representative Sam Johnson (Texas) will introduce an appropriate bill into the House. It will be a slow process.

Mr. MacSwain remarked that the Association is nothing without the Chapters and Departments.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

All officers and appointed officers were in attendance. Chapters not represented were 014, 015, 016, 017, 106, 110, 124, 159 (suspended) 189, and 318. There are 22 Chapters on record in Florida.

REPORT OF QUORUM

A quorum was reported by Secretary Arcand (3 officers and 8 Chapters required).

“TAKE A CHANCE”

First Vice President Charlie First explained the “Take A Chance” program. The chance is for a dinner for two at the Convention banquet. He would be around to pass out chance tickets.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 15, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING

A motion to set aside the reading of the minutes was offered by T. Thiel, 163 and B. McCraney, 158. Motion carried. A motion to approve the minutes provided was made by B. Hebner, 155 and seconded by B. McCraney 158. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer R. Arcand gave a brief reading of the Finances to date. Questioned by B, Hebner on the absence of the CD value on the report, Mr. Arcand stated it was an oversight and gave what he felt were true values. Motion to accept amended report by B. Hebner, subject to audit. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

The Secretary reported notification of the deaths of Joe Firriolo and Joe Madeline. Cards and flowers were sent.

OLD BUSINESS

1. January 2011 Orientation. Some dissatisfaction with the program was reported. It seems that some of the membership would prefer a more “hands on” approach to the management problems of a Chapter.
2. Web Site – Tom Thiel gave an in-depth report of the status of the Department Web site.
3. Bylaw Amendment – A third reading of the proposed bylaw change was offered by Judge Advocate Bill McCraney. [Copy attached] Essentially, the amendment allows the Secretary of the Department of Florida to become an 'appointed post' reporting to the President and having all the privileges and responsibilities of an elected officer. A motion to accept the change was made by C. Travers and seconded by C. First. Motion carried.
4. Department Council Meetings and Convention for 2011-2012 –
 - a. President Bradford noted that contracts have been signed to hold all three (3) meetings at the Plantation Inn, Crystal River on
 - i. September 24, 2011,
 - ii. January 25, 2012, and
 - iii. Convention May 14, 15, 16, 2012.
 - b. A deposit of \$1000.00 (Check no 1447) was made on 2/8/11. Chapter 192, Citrus County will be our host. Hank Butler spoke of the amenities and hoped for a large attendance.

5. Announcement of Slate of Officers-Chairman Bill McCraney
 - (a) Nomination Chairman Bill McCraney gave the following election results for the 2011-2012 period:
 - i. President, Charlie First, Ch. 173
 - ii. First Vice President, Bill Shibler, Ch. 188
 - iii. Second Vice President, B. Hebner, Ch. 155
 - iv. Third Vice President, J. Stelling, Ch. 173
 - v. Secretary, B. Sarver, Ch. 175
 - vi. Treasurer, J. Arcand, Ch. 014
 - (b) The election will be concluded 5/7/11 at the General meeting. He thanked these members for accepting the positions.

GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE ORDER

- 1) Directions to the Ocala Elks Club and the Veteran's Park were given to all.
- 2) Memorial services were announced for Sunday at 8:00 A.M.
- 3) Members were reminded to bring their meal tickets to all venues.
- 4) A survey report of the January 2011 meeting was made by Secretary Arcand.
- 5) [Copy attached]
- 6) Door prizes provided by members were distributed by the wives.
- 7) The 50/50 went to M. Ford (\$82.00) which he donated to the Department.
- 8) Past-President Bob Balzer gave a detailed report on his involvement with the
- 9) Wounded Warrior program.

BENEDICTION

A benediction was offered by Chaplain Sievers

SALUTE TO THE COLORS

Sergeant-at-Arms Mickey Tutolo presided over a salute to the colors

ADJOURNMENT

President Bradford adjourned the meeting at 4:00P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Joan M. Arcand
Secretary