



VCOC 1st QUARTER MEETING
Wednesday January 14, 2020
American Legion, 1708 Commonwealth Avenue, Richmond, Virginia
DRAFT MINUTES

1. Administration

The meeting was called to order at 1005 by Col Boyd Nix, USAF (Ret).

The Invocation was delivered by VCOC Chaplain LTC Ken Ruppap, USA (Ret).

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Second Vice President LCDR Dolly Cherrington, USN (Ret).

The Roll Call was conducted by VCOC Secretary COL Monti Zimmerman, USAR (Ret). Twelve chapters were represented, all officers: President: Col Boyd Nix, USAF (Ret), First Vice President: CDR Lincoln Smith, USN (Ret), Second Vice President: LCDR Dolly Cherrington, USN (Ret), Third Vice President: Col Frank Wickersham, USMC (Ret), Secretary: Col Monti Zimmerman, USA (Ret), Treasurer: LtCol Jim Stephan, USAF (Ret) were present.

* Adoption of the Agenda approved.

* The Fourth Quarter meeting minutes were adopted as amended with a motion.

2. President's Report

* Col Boyd Nix, USAF (Ret) welcomed everyone. Dues survey was sent out. Chapter dues were reinstated at \$.80 per regular member and \$.40 per auxiliary member. JLC Storming will happen tomorrow. JLC will have approximately 15 individuals and VCOC will separately visit five offices as well tomorrow.

3. Treasurer's Report

* LtCol Jim Stephan, USAF (Ret) discussed chapter dues. The "To must be to Virginia Council of Chapters." Bank of America will not accept VCOC. Closing of 4th quarter, calendar year. Budget is closed out as of December 31st, 2019. No money was provided from MOAA National HQ for recruiting because there at least two chapters did not use the application to report new membership. Criteria for the potential members has changed. Request a meeting with MOAA National HQ to discuss membership process. Every meeting the quarterly report and proposed budget should be provided. Our largest expense is the Congressional Luncheon.



COL Revilla moves to set the cost of the Congressional Luncheon cost at \$30 per person. With Second by LCDR Cherrington. Motion passes. New 2020 proposed budget is \$8,600. Expenses are budgeted at \$8,600. Motion by MG McLaren with second by COL Revilla. Budget is approved. 2021 budget is requested for approval at fourth quarter meeting.

- January 1, 2020 Balance Brought Forward: \$9,529.53.
- Restricted Funds - MOAA Mobile: \$3,878.00.
- Available Funds on January 1, 2019: \$5,651.53.
- Current Available Funds (First Quarter): \$5,651.53.

VCOC chapter dues are reinstated for 2020, as follows:

- Regular Member: \$0.80.
- Auxiliary Member: \$0.40.

4. Standing Committee Reports

Communications and Public Affairs

* CDR Lincoln Smith, CDR USN (Ret) discussed the Crier and information to be submitted for the website. For all Chapters, the Harris Communications Award is due February 1st. The five-star submissions are due May 1st. Storming the Hill will be the first story for next issue of the Crier. VCOC stories and publicity, “Heroes among us” stories should be added.

Membership and Chapter Affairs

* LCDR Dolly Cherrington, USN (Ret) reported that there is a MOAA potential list, TPS.com (True People Search.com). Abbreviated lists are now sent that are not as useful as previous lists. The date for the Second Quarter Meeting is March 19th at Patriots Colony (See below for future meetings). LCDR Cherrington is responsible for receiving the quarterly reports. Quarterly reports will be sent to President, First & Second Vice Presidents, and Secretary. Tax concerns, proportion of regular to auxiliary is to be 75% to 25%. Some Chapters are approaching a tax problem.

5. Legislative Chair

* Col Frank Wickersham, USMC (Ret) reported on the Joint Leadership Council (JLC) Legislative Initiatives 2020. The event is on January 15th. The Rally point is at the Sun Trust Building at 7 AM. There are six JLC initiatives to be presented. Four issues were provided



as letters of intent. National Guard Reception will be on January 30th. Congressional Luncheon: The House does not have a schedule beyond February. MOAA Storming of the Hill 25th of March (22nd-26th).

* Delegate Luke Torian (VA-52nd) was presented the VCOC State Legislator of the Year Award.

6. Old Business

* None.

7. New Business

* VCOC Schedule 2020 Motion to accept dates and locations as presented by Col Wickersham, second Col Pauls. Amendment Col Wickersham, for only 4th quarter to be at Patriots Colony, CAPT Heckelman, Amendment and motion passed.

- 1st Quarter at American Legion HQ, 1708 Commonwealth Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

- 2nd Quarter, April 2 at 1000 at American Legion HQ, 1708 Commonwealth Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

-3rd Quarter, July 2 at American Legion HQ, 1708 Commonwealth Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

-4th Quarter at October 8, at Patriots Colony, 6000 Patriots Colony Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23188.

Col Wickersham, motion to reinstate the legislative officer breakout after each quarterly meeting, CDR Prevar seconded. To reinstate the legislative officer breakout for legislative committee to be changed for April, to occur at 9 AM on April 2nd. Motion by CAPT Wassel, second by Col Wickersham.

Col Wickersham to hold the Congressional Luncheon on April 22nd, seconded CAPT Wassel. Approved. If a legislative representative is not available, the Chapter must appoint one.

Col Wickersham motions that the VCOC storming of the hill be held in conjunction with JLC until the General Assembly Building is complete. MG McLaren seconded. Approved with a vote of 8 to 4.



COL Revilla motions that that the Chapters submit by March 1st, for the National Legislative Award to the President, Legislative Chair and Secretary with justification. Second MG McLaren. Approved.

COL Revilla motions that that the Chapters submit by April 1st, for the State Legislative Awards (Senate/Delegate) to the President, Legislative Chair and Secretary with justification. Second CDR Prevar.

The meeting was adjourned by Col Boyd Nix, USAF (Ret) at 3:14 pm.