

# Meeting Minutes July 2022

Guests: None

Meeting opened at 1900 with 15 Members Present.

**Officer Roll Call:** All were present except the Guard who was absent.

**New Memberships:** 9 Membership application were read. Larry G. made the motion to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin. Motion passed. Two new members were present and were sworn in.

**Minutes were distributed via email and posted.** Motion to dispense with reading of the minutes by Frank D. and 2nd by Marty S. Motion passed.

**Reading of the Bills:** National Convention, All American Post and All State Post Pins were purchased for \$203.15. Motion to reimbursement Larry by Frank D., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marty S. Motion passed.

**Quartermaster's Report:** Accepted subject to audit.

**Community Service/Service Officer** – Larry Gerlt: Larry handed out sheet with Douglas & Sarpy County SVOs and VA phone #s.

**Members in Distress/Deceased:** None

## Committee Reports

**Membership** - Larry Gerlt: We are now at 85.27%. Next membership drive Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, 08:30-11:30, Village Inn, Fort Crook Rd. Post buys breakfast, I provide route with unpaid members and training.

**Blood Drive, VA, & Chaplain Report** - Frank Durham: Provided information concerning the NE/Western IA VA Hospital.

**Surgeon** – Bernie Jennings: He spoke on VA Move Program for weight control.

**POW/MIA** - William Guy: None since May. Spoke on new Sarpy County VA CLC - CHI Midlands Hospital in Papillion to create a Veterans Community Living Center. VA Phone # 402.995.6600 is POC for these medical staffers:

- Rachel Alexander RN, Head of Staff at VA CLC
- Laurie Fahey OT/PT, services on site.
- Mr. Kevin Hayes ????

**Voice of Democracy/Patriots Pen** - Larry Gerlt: No Updates

**Buddy Poppy** – Josh Andrus: Next drive will be scheduled for October 29<sup>th</sup>, Hy-Vee, Center St between 51<sup>st</sup> & 52<sup>nd</sup>.

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**Political Action** - Matt Whitaker: No report

**Webmaster/Facebook** - Rick Imgrund: No Report.

### REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL HOME

**Correspondence** – Tabitha Hospice – needs volunteers for vets in hospice

### Old Business –

1. **Subj:** Improving tie with 55<sup>th</sup> FSS **Content:** I propose we offer to sponsor a \$ 50 Texas Road House Gift card for their Airman, NCO and Senior NCO Quarterly Awards Program and \$100 for Annual Award in each category.. Annual cost is \$150 X 4 + \$300=900. We would apply to National for \$900 to purchase them. We would then purchase \$100 as purchasing \$1000 as they will then give us \$1100 in gift cards. We could then use the extra \$200 for a Christmas party drawing. If National declines, we would pay for the gift cards. I or Matt would then make a presentation of the card at their Commanders Call. Doing so will get us out in front of them and should lead to additional post members. Matt stated they had been unresponsive to his recent requests to talk with them since the new Commander took over. Recommendation: We need a new rep from the unit or we need to drop. Motion by Matt to drop. Seconded by me. Motion passed. **Marty volunteered to locate a different unit and be the rep as he works on base.**
2. **Subj:** Flag case for Shakelia Qwintarr OPR Bernard **Content:** Veteran's widow has a funeral flag and requests a flag case. Bernie to get with her to setup.
3. **Subj:** Southwest Iowa Veterans Day Parade. **Content:** Parade will be Saturday, Nov 5<sup>th</sup>. Show time 10:15. Parade start time 11 a.m., Flat route, but looks about 1.5 miles. Uniform, dark (black) trousers, black shoes, post shirt, VFW Cover. Can have VFW jackets available. Need at least 4. Full squad is 6. All who wish can march with us. Jeff G., Marty S., Darrell M., Rick I. and myself volunteered to march. All agreed we needed some practice. I will get us registered.

### New Business


1. **Subj:** National Home **Content:** Our National Home for Children provides an expense free house for all veterans or just spouses of veterans with children for up to five years. While there, the adults are taught everything from parenting to financial management. They are also helped to locate a job while living there so as to be able to put sufficient money aside to obtain housing (apartment or down payment on a home). I move we donate \$200 to their trust fund. Seconded by Marty. Motion passed.
2. **Subj:** National Convention **Content:** Carol Whitmore of Iowa was selected as the National Junior Vice Commander Designee for the Big 10 Conference. Department Commander Jerry Chlopek, District Commander Matt Whitaker, and Post Commander Justin Brand all made All American and received their recognition from our National Commander-in-Chief Mihelcic. I received my third Elite Recruiter award from the Chief as well.

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3. **Subj:** Storm Chasers **Content:** Military Appreciation Night, Thursday, 4 Aug, 6 PM Free Buffett Dinner, 7 PM, Game, Free tickets available for Veteran and Active Duty Families. Fun zone Pass included. Call: 402-932-7036 to reserve tickets. 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> serve.
4. **Subj:** Nat. Council of Admin Indorsement **Content:** I am running for a second term as our Nat. Council rep. Jeff made a motion to indorse me, seconded by Marty. Motion passed.
5. **Subj:** Post Auxiliary Annual report. **Content:** I read our Auxiliary treasury and membership report to the membership.
6. **Subj:** VA Midlands CLC **Content:** William spoke about the new VA Midlands Hospital Community Living Center and Social Service division not having any funds yet to repay members for out of pocket costs. He made a motion to donate \$200 to them. Motion seconded by Frank. **Motion passed.**

### **Good of the Order** (*All guests should be invited to speak.*)

- Big 10 Conference October 14-16, Milwaukee, WI., Registration \$130.
- Department Fall Conference is 7 & 8 October, Lincoln.
- Next District 10 meeting is 9 Oct, 2 PM at Post 2503.
- Meeting Closed at 2000.



Larry M. Gerlt  
Quartermaster