



VFW Post 7041

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VFW Post 7041 General Meeting
Minutes of – 9 March 2024

Respect to the Colors, Opening Prayer and Reading of the Charter

Call to Order	10:00 am
Opening prayer	10:04 am
Attendance: Members - 11 Guests 0	

Roll Call of Officers - (P) present, (A) absent, (E) excused

P	Commander	Terry Moxley
P	Senior Vice Commander	Bruce Mackamul
P	Junior Vice Commander	Michael Gervais
P	Adjutant	Mark Storsteen
P	Quartermaster	Eric Motier
P	Chaplain	Jose Flores
P	Judge Advocate	Bruce Mackamul
P	Service Officer	Art Haeussler
P	Post Surgeon	Jerry Stephens
P	Officer of the Day	Ray Johnson
E	1 st Year Trustee	Lora K Woods
P	2 nd Year Trustee	Jonathan North
E	3 rd Year Trustee	Paul Krueger

Membership Applications

No new memberships were shared.

Bruce Mackamul shared information we have a comrade who wants to become a member of the Honored Degree of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, also known as The Cooties. We have to bring their name out in a General Meeting. They are Andreas Aguilar and Doug A Schule. They have been recruited by Matt Foster. Bruce Mackamul made a motion the two members be allowed to join. The motion was seconded. A vote for approval was made. All members present voted Aye. No opposing votes were made. The motion carried.

Reading of the minutes

Minutes were posted online. A call for corrections or additions was made and no additions or corrections were made. The minutes stand as approved.

Report of the Quartermaster

Monthly expenses: Quartermaster Eric Motier shared information inclusive of January and February 2024. Total income for the last two months was \$17,652. Expenses were \$16,285.38. Donations and contributions for the World War 2 experience was \$250. Other expenses and income were reported verbally to all present. Grand total in our account comes to \$44,149.78

Report of the Service Officer

Art Haeussler shared information about several items. First was some information about funding of the Toxic Exposure fund. Part of it is missing so the Inspector General an effort to track down where it went is underway. The VFW website shows the priority goals that have ben submitted to Washington. Additionally, there is a Survivor outreach program which is when a veteran passes. Second item is the VA now asks that everyone move all direct deposit payments you may receive to one bank account only. The focus is to have all your monies due on one check, reduce costs by doing so. Third item was a brief discussion about Toxic exposure in Vietnam. A key item is that there is a change in eligibility for veterans who were never deployed but were perhaps exposed to toxins and hazards while in training or negative duty in the United States. The focus is now to include more than Vietnam and the United States but to include service around the world. This is also inclusive of the Pact Act.

Comrade or a Family Member of a Comrade in Distress

No report of a comrade in distress was offered by Chaplain Flores.

Elections

Commander Moxley called for Nomination of Officers for the upcoming year. Positions and names of those nominated are asl follows:

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Appointed positions Adjutant, Chaplain, Service Officer, Judge Advocate, Surgeon, and Officer of the day will be presented at our next meeting.

Other Business

Our District Convention will be in Orange County this year. Details to follow. Nation Convention in Louisville, KY possibly. Details to follow as they become available on both conventions.

Commander Moxley requested that he and Jonathan North serve as delegates for our District and National conventions. A vote will be taken at the April 2024 meeting.

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New Business

Items for future meetings. 1.) Vista High School Air Force JROTC Awards ceremony. Friday April 26th, 2024. 2.) Loyalty Day for the District. 2 tickets are available for the event on April 28th. Padres and Phillies game.

Community Activities

St Patrick's Day dinner details were presented to members present. A posting of details is also available on our Post web site. Details at vfwpost.org

Movie night will be April 6th. Weather permitting outdoors.

Our National Home Honored: \$46.00 was collected. Commander Moxley asked Chaplain Flores to share a prayer for our National Home for Children. Chaplain offered a prayer as requested.

Good of the Order

A discussion was brought up about events in years past. Inclusive of Baseball games, NASCAR Races and other events. High School Air Force Junior ROTC was also mentioned. Terry Moxley shared that we have located our new Charter with our new Post name. He shared details that we are officially VFW Post 7041. Our charter was chartered March 20th, 1946. We were combined with Post 6945 from Oceanside on Marh 19th 2001. Next, we were combined with Post 11505 in Carlsbad, January 26, 2024. Next, we were combined with Sergeant Major Ralph Gibs on March 1st 2006. Up to date we are now Vista Memorial Post 7041, Vista CA.

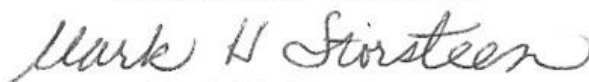
Closing Prayer: Closing prayer was offered by Chaplin Flores.

Next Regular Meeting

April 13, 2024 @10:00 AM

Regular Business Meeting closed at: 10:41 am.

Respectfully submitted:



Mark H. Storsteen

Adjutant

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