



**Vietnam Veterans of America
Northern Warriors Chapter 941
21 April 2014
Kelly Inn-3800 Main Ave., Fargo, ND
1900 Hours**

Meeting called to order at 1900 by President Larry Nicholson

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of silence for POWs and MIAs

Prayer by . Wayne Wermager

Members present: Dave Brunsvold, Wayne Wermager, Wayne Ellefson, Larry Reed, Ronn DuRand, Jan Jorgensen, Russ Stabler, Sam Leathes, Bob Mandt, Paul Hyndman, Les Forman, Lynn Birkeland, Joe Bennett, Cory Bennett, Duke Johnson, Larry Nicholson, Dave Caswell, Edwin Ahonen, Hella Helfter, Mark Helfter, Bill Peterson, Steve Paradis and Les Bakke (two names unreadable).

Guest present: Mike Danielski and Larry Dokken

Introductions/Announcements: New members and visitors introduced themselves.

Presentation by Mike Danielski from the Fargo VA Health Care System on Veterans Homelessness.

Approval of Agenda:

Bakke/Stabler moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried

Secretary's Report:

Reed/Stabler moved to approve the minutes with corrections that Jorgensen and Sabler were nominated for membership chair. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance	\$9,660.27
Income	\$1,838.32
Expenses	\$1,123.90
Ending balance	\$10,374.77

Stabler/Jorgensen moved to accept. Motion carried

Membership Report:

Jorgensen reported on membership. Total VVA members is 195 with 47 AVVA members. Membership applications need DD214, veterans may cross out SSN.

Reed/Stabler moved to approve report. Motion carried.

Color Guard:

Stabler provided an update on recent and upcoming color guard activity. An update on Memorial Day activities will be provided at our next meeting.

Bakke/Ahomen moved to approve the report. Motion carried.

Public Affairs:

Ellefson provided an update on activities and distributed a list for possible volunteers at the Air Museum. Brunsvold reported on activities scheduled for Fargo South presentations on Thursday, April 24. Brunsvold has enough volunteers.

Legislative Report:

No report

Canopy: Check has been mailed.

Bike Night at Dilworth VFW:

Nicholson reported on the upcoming Bike Night activities. The first one is in May.

Plaque at Moorhead HS Update: Johnson reported on the plaque.

Foreman reported on VAVolunteerService committee.

Nominations Committee Report:

President: Larry Nicholson

Vice President: Jan Jorgensen, Paul Hyndman

Secretary: Bob Mandt

Treasurer: Dave Brunsvold

Membership: Jan Jorgensen and Russ Stabler

Public Affairs: WayneEllefson

Color Guard: Russ Stabler

Chaplain: Wayne Wermager

Brunsvold/Leather moved to allocate \$500 for a Vietnam Veterans Speaker, to be paid to the West Fargo VFW. Motion carried.

Stabler/Peterson moved allocate \$100 for POW/MIA pins. Motion carried.

Bakke/Ellefson moved to allocate \$300 toward the Bonanzaville Veterans Picnic. Motion carried.

Stabler/Ellefson moved to purchase life memberships for two members of the FM Toppers. Motion carried.

Web Links: Nicholson and Hyndman distributed information that is available on the web. Go to www.vva941.org.

Election committee reported the election results:

President: Larry Nicholson
Vice President: Paul Hyndman
Secretary: Bob Mandt
Treasurer: Dave Brunsvold
Membership: Jan Jorgensen
Public Affairs: Wayne Ellefson
Color Guard: Russ Stabler
Chaplain: Wayne Wermager

Bakke/Stabler moved to accept the election committee report on the election of officers. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Les Bakke, Secretary