

## **Minutes**

### **Veterans For Peace, Chapter # 027**

**December 14, 2016**

President Dave Logsdon called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m. He asked John to read the Statement of Purpose. He then called for a moment of silence. Health Updates included a report of a member missing another commitment due to being supportive of a veteran friend's loss of a family member. Check-Ins followed.

In attendance were: Ron Staff, Barry Riesch, Dick Foley, Dave Logsdon, Mike Madden, Robin Monahan, Vern Hall, John McLeod, Steve Gates, Mary McNellis, Bruce Berry and Charlie Bloss.

Barry moved approval of the November Minutes. Steve seconded and the motion passed.

The Treasurer's report showing a balance of \$10,658.95 was circulated. Barry moved acceptance of this report. Vern seconded and the motion passed.

Dave reported there was no Executive Committee meeting to report.

Charlie noted the slate of officers as: Dave Logsdon for President; Mike Madden for Vice President; John Varone for Treasurer and Ron Staff for Secretary. He said they had all agreed to serve again. Dave called for any other nominations three times. Ron moved the slate be accepted by acclamation. Barry seconded and this motion passed.

Dave then moved the meeting to Committee Reports. Barry gave the Membership Committee report. He told about national efforts to attract more members in the current political climate. He looked forward to a potential period of growth. He then talked about his experience at Standing Rock and being there to take a knee in apology to Native Americans for our national waring upon them. He said it was a very moving event. Craig Wood, Bruce and Robin had also been at Standing Rock.

Since neither Steve McKeown nor Larry Johnson were on hand their part of the Education Committee report was not presented. Dick told of some of his speaking engagements and read a portion of a letter he had gotten from a student. Dave spoke about the Armistice Day events and told of Peace Pole efforts he has begun.

Under Direct Action Dave suggested getting some art work onto the walls in this meeting room. John suggested having students involved. More will be forthcoming on this suggestion.

For the Convention Committee Dave said he'd visited with Penny during lunch and that once national has approved the room selections Penny forwarded to them; they will book them. John volunteered to join the committee bringing their number to four with Penny as the Chair. Barry is also on the committee.

Dave said the Bus Committee has met and that more would be reported, later.

Discussion of the Communications Committee suggested the need for a paid person to bring the web site up to snuff and then be reimbursed regularly to maintain it. In talking about the Newsletter Mary

pointed out that three hundred extra copies were being printed for this month with the idea that members help circulate it to free pick-up sites.

Dave noted that the Fundraising letter had been sent out and that there was already a few hundred back in last than a week. He said Craig at Mayday Bookstore had finished the mailing and took it to the Post Office.

Under New Business, Dave said the Holiday Party is Saturday, December 17 here at 4200 Cedar from 6:00 p.m. Mike moved a budget of \$165.00, seconded by John and passed by voice vote.

Dave reported that there will be a 2017 planning event on January 8, 2017 here at 4200 from 12:30 p.m. until 4:00. Then he suggested that committees should submit budgets for their coming year's expenses soon.

Robin moved we adjourn. John seconded and this passed by voice vote.

Ron Staff, Secretary