

Minutes

Veterans For Peace, Chapter #027

**10 November 2019
(Marine Corps Birthday)**

President Mike McDonald called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. and asked Tom to read The Statement of Purpose. Jeff reported a Health Update close call. Check-Ins moved along.

In attendance were: Tom Chisholm, Tom Larsen, Jim Mengel, Mike McDonald, Dave Logsdon, Craig Wood, Penny Gardner, Jeff Roy, Steve Gates, Lyle Steinfeldt, Mike Madden, Steve McKeown, Eric J. Garcia, James Brown, Vern Hall, John Wexler, Sue Ann Martinson and Ron Staff.

Dave moved approval of the Minutes, seconded by Craig, and passed.

Lyle moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Vern seconded. This passed following some discussion about paying for the music at Unity (Barry's church).

Armistice Day activities were reviewed.

Penny reminded people about the Give to the Max day. She said that the money collected would be put into the Nielsen Fund.

Without Dick there were no reports of activity by the Education Committee.

Craig told about the coming issue of the newsletter and that Frank is "looking good."

Steve told about continuing work with the petition and how it would be used.

Jeff reported about on-going SOVA (Save Our VA) actions and other events.

Jeff brought a motion to pay \$50.00 to maintain our annual membership in United Veterans Legislative Council with a check made out to the council. This motion was seconded by Steve McKeown and passed. Dave and Jeff had a brief discussion about whether or not the SOVA is a "declared national project." Dave

said that Skip Delano had made an ask at the National Board meeting in Albuquerque for \$10,000.00 to set up a sub group to deal with the SOVA issues suggesting that the dollars where the main stumbling block.

Mike reported on MAP / MPAC meets at Walker Church at 1p.m. on the second Tuesdays of each month.

Dave told about the National quarterly meeting. They stayed at the hotel which is where the convention will be held this next August. He talked about the national board ballots being out. They need to be in by December 1. Then there was a question about whether associate members were able to vote. Vern asked about the speakers for the next convention. The 75th anniversary of the atomic age calls for some human response to the pollution of our planetary nest.

The bus is reportedly running good and ready to go. Vern talked about having a emergency triangle set for the bus. Dave and Craig endorsed the public relations value of the bus. Steve added to the travel tales building around bus trips.

SueAnn and Lyle were the source for Communications Committee engagements. Lyle circulated the website VFP27 Overview Report.

Without Barry in attendanced, Dave reminded people to carry membership cards. He noted Barry was at a concert tonight.

Mike moved us along to New Business.

Dave and Sue Ann talked about the annual fundraising letter which should be done in December.

Jim told about the movie "Harriet." He said he'd seen it with his daughter. He also talked about the nuclear arms in Korea, and recommended thinking of it as only one country.

Dave moved to Adjourn, seconded by Sue Ann. It passed as folks bundled up to deal with the cold night.

Ron Staff
Secretary