



## VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

Chapter 528 Plymouth, MI 48170

**General Membership Meeting**

11/12/2018

**MINUTES**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARINES, 243 YEARS!**

Meeting called to order, Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence.

**Guests:** Steve Monahan. Presentation for 10 years as Ceremonies Emcee.

**74 Members**

### **OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

President– John Spencer – Wished everyone a Happy Veteran's Day, and a Happy Birthday to the Marines.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Jerry Thomason- Acknowledged President John Spencer for his many community activities.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President- Gary Bush- Mentioned Vietnam history handouts.

Secretary- Ron King- No correspondence. Minutes. M: Joe Agius, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joe Tebor.

Treasurer- Bob Dew- Presented October, 2018 Profit & Loss. Report on file.

Chaplain: Rich Whipple – Acknowledged sick and distressed members.

Chapter Historian: Gary Pritchard- N/R

**OLD BUSINESS:** Don Dignan presented \$657.52 from the October Poker Shootout.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Doug Fox- A Veteran's Appreciation Dinner at the Dearborn Double Tree Inn on Wednesday, November 14, 11am-2 pm.

### **Committee Reports**

By-Laws- Jim Hodgson-Presented the new Policy letter concerning Product Sales ordering and purchasing of items.

Membership- Bob Lamoureux- 290 VVA members; 87 AVVA members.

Product Sales Bill Petrere-N/R

Public Affairs Don Dignan- Veteran Ceremony at Angeles Hospice, 11 am, Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>.

Newsletter Tom Brown: Articles, photos, NLT the 22<sup>nd</sup> of every month. N/R

AVVA Rep – Bryan Bentley- N/R

VA Health Chair- Stu Israel presented the VA Ann Arbor Hospital report. Report on file.

VVA State Council- Dennis Bielskis. Gary Estermyer gave the State Council report.

Fundraising- Bob Dew. Sportsman Raffle Committee meeting, November 16 at 11.

**Chapter Special Committee Reports**

Kokomo- Dale Luebke – approximately 307 days!

**DONATION/MOTION REQUESTS**

**D2018-012**

Donate \$500.00 to support the Post Children’s Christmas Party.

M: Ron King 2<sup>nd</sup>: Al Sneath

Board Recommendation: Approve. Membership: **Approved.**

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**D2018-013**

Donate \$2000.00 to the Annual Veteran’s Clothing Drive. This year we are supporting the “Love A Michigan Vet Project” in Detroit.

M: John Fleming 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bob Dew

Board Recommendation: Approve. Membership: **Approved.**

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**D2018-014**

Donate \$350.00 to VVA Chapter 310, Ann Arbor, to purchase clothing for hospitalized veterans at the Ann Arbor VA.

M: John Fleming 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bob Dew

Board Recommendation: Approve Membership: **Approved.**

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**M2018-003**

Motion to share a \$4000.00 cost with the VFW for an electronic board.

Membership: **Approved.**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Karaoke - 1st and 3rd Friday 8pm in the Post Lounge.
- Please sign birthday book before the meeting located in the Post Lounge.
- Friday, November 23, 2018, Christmas Tree sales begins @ 12:00 p.m.
- Sunday, November 25, Breakfast Brunch, 10 am to 12pm. Post Lounge.
- Saturday, December 8, 2018, Bell Ringing at Holiday Market, 8am-6pm.

Next VVA Board meeting is **Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 7pm.**

Next VVA General Membership meeting is **Monday, December 10, 2018 at 7pm**

PRESIDENT  
John Spencer

SECRETARY  
Ron King

