

CALL TO ORDER: 1805hr

MEMBERS PRESENT: 28

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Pray for Patrick Luongo, Arnie "Rabbi" Rabinowitz, and the passing of George Handt, may he rest in peace.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Pres: George Mutlos, 1stVP: Richard Bongiorno, 2nd VP: Richard Cohen(excused), Sec: Vacant, Treas: Andrew Zawoyski.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Patrick Lewis, Ken Kolakowski, Myrna Rios, Joy Allington, Charles Brodbar, Sam Velez Jr..

READING OF MINUTES: "Motion to accept Minutes of February 10, 2026". Made by Andrew and seconded by Phillip Kahn. PASSED 28/0

SPEAKERS:

1. Elks Club said that they have funds to support veterans in need. If you need help, contact Denise.
2. Joy spoke about a car show this Saturday, March 14th. Contact Joy for details. There is also an event at the Tamarac Community Center on March 16th. She also briefed about free cell phones to veterans. A flyer will be sent out.
3. The Moving Vietnam Wall program needs volunteers for April 24th to 26th. Contact Steve Amarant for details.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. George thanked everyone for their prayers while recovering from a Quadruple By-pass surgery.
2. George explained that if someone Resigns, they must submit in writing to the Board for approval. To resign from the VVA, you must contact membership@vva.org.
3. The Chapter is sorry to see Richard Kirshen resign as Secretary. According to National, the Chapter's Board of Directors must fill the vacancy for the remaining time till the next elections. The Board has voted that George will be the Secretary until next month's elections.
4. George reminded Officers and Directors that missing three meetings during the fiscal year without excuses, will lead to termination of office.

1stVP REPORT: Richard gave his apology for his outburst last January's meeting to the membership and Jim. Richard gave a rundown on what is happening in the VA. You must attend the meeting for this information.

2nd VP REPORT: Felony cases 19 veterans, 18 males, one female. Misdemeanor cases 9 veterans, all males. No Vietnam veterans for both offensives.

The JROTC program still need volunteers to go to schools. Contact Louis for details.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Starting Balance: \$14,258.67

Ending Balance: \$14,562.85

"Motion to accept Treasurer's report". Made by Ken, seconded by Myrna. PASSED 28/0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Golf Tournament: Ken said that everything is on track and today was the last day to sponsor a hole because the signs must be made. Andrew said the Raffle Basket of Cheer will be ready next week to be available for people to purchase tickets in the American Legion bar.
2. Election Committee Chair, James Bywalec has made the ballots ready for the elections next meeting. You have to be present at the meeting to vote. Instructions will be given out at that time.

EVENTS: April 7th, Chapter meeting/ Elections, 1800hrs (6:00 PM)

ADJOURNED: 1915 hrs