



Vietnam Veterans of America
Chapter 1106

Chapter 1106 Membership Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: December 3, 2022,

Scheduled Meeting Start Time: 9:00 AM

Meeting Location: Fremont Building, 14603 E Fremont Ave., Centennial, CO 80112

Meeting called to order by President David Lyons at 9:00 AM

Meeting Opening:

Welcome to the meeting by President David Lyons

Entrance of the Young Marines Organization.

Pledge of Allegiance (all)

Invocation Prayer by Garry Turk

POW/MIA Chair

POW/MIA Chair Presentation and Moment of Silence (Dan Green)

Board Member Roll Call

David Lyons, Milt Omoto, John Vargas, Tom Werzyn, Clarence Rebolledo, Joe Dempsey, Joe Plant, Joe Robinson

Absent: Patti Ehline

Members in Attendance (from sign-in sheets and on-line)

Alice Boswell, Jane Brown, Ita Dempsey, Diane Graham, Claudia Hunter, Bob Krech, Litta Plant-Schaper, Barbara Rotruck, Jai Smith, Leann Stelzer, Naomi Turks, Vieng Vongsakoun, Don Boswell, Bob Brown, Wayne Buser, Richard Callan, Donna Chaney, Dale Creason, Joe Dempsey, Leland Eagleson, Bob Easter, Sally Ann Eaves, Rance Exline, Barry Fiore, Guillermo Frausto, Dan Graham, Dan Green, Leo Greunke, Lou Grounds, Ted Hanfelder, Jack Hunter, Roger Lanphier, Walter Leuci, Richard Lewis, Marvin Lich, David Lyons, Jesse Maldonado, Bob Mallin, Jim Marcille, Don McNeely Sr, Harry Montgomery, Tony Nickerson, Milt Omoto, Gary Palka, Ed Phillips, Joe Plant, Tom Puckett, Clarence Rebolledo, Chester Rollins, Juan omero, Bob Rotruck, Murry Sallenbach, Ed Seiler, Ron Smith, Charles Smith, Phil Snyder, Jerome Springs, Gary Steinhoff, Michael Tarby, Garry Turks, John Vargas, Dan Wagle, Tom Werzyn, Gary Weston, Lee White, John Williams, Lew Wood, Di Seiler



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Visitors and guests.

Desiree Hafner, John Omero, Michael Sheehan, Rockie Cuppari, Levi Mcmindy, Chris Totzke, Di Seiler, Krystal Korlowski

The Young Marines Organization, make up of young females and make ages 8 to 18 years old, is not a recruiting program for young members to join the Marines. It is an organization to promote a drug free healthy lifestyle, instill patriotism and community service. We then listen to members of the Young Marines about what this program means to them and the honorable deeds they perform.

Presentation:

Tony Nickerson called for members of the Color Guard to step forward and receive a gift bag and military coins from the Ben Franklin Academy. This was presented to thank our Color Guard for presenting the Colors this last three years.

Tony also Introduced Dale Creason who will take charge of the Color Guard and Tony Nickerson will step down from that position. Assistant commander will be Mr. Rob Smith.

Tony Nickerson also reports to us to be careful concerning the litigation for anyone who was at Camp Lejeune and has been affected by the contamination. Ask that folk talking to a lawyer to be aware of add on feeds and make sure the attorney is licensed to practice law in California where the litigation will be pursued.

John Vargas presented LeAnn Stelzer a plaque in appreciation for her work with shopping for clothes and accessories for our chapter.

Our homeless program was awarded an increase of \$3,000 dollars to help veterans in need.

An award of \$500 dollars was awarded to the commander of the Young Marines Organization to support their efforts to support the youth.

David Lyons (President)

Awarded the Wind Crest home for their celebration on Veteran's Day.



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Motion to accept the minutes of last meeting, motion seconded and passed.

Milt Omoto

Reminded the chapter to they can call/signup with the Vietnam Veterans to donate clothing and household items you may not need anymore.

Continue to support the King Snoopers Community Reward program.

There was an incredibly good reception at Texas Roadhouse. We received several gift cards and during the Presidents report a gift card was presented to Robert Rotruck.

Treasurer's Report Mike Huber

Mike reported on the position of our Chapter's financial assets. Approved by the Board.

Dale Creason: Membership

Two new members last month, 1 AVVA, for a total of 186 VVA members and 47 AVVA members. A total of 233 members in our chapter.

Joe Dempsy: Promotional Items

Waiting for a shipment to come in and should have them by our next Chapter meeting.

Tom Werzyn: Speaker's Bureau

No immediate speakers at this time, looking for the next semester and will focus on Cherry Creek schools.

Gary Weston: Scholarship

The scholarship committee now has a website thanks to Bob Rotruck.

John Vargas: Social Committee

Next week is our holiday luncheon. Dr. Mallon donated five \$75 gift cards to the Chapter.

Bob Rotruck: Newsletter and Website

January/February newsletters is being prepared.



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Roundtable

Vieng Vongsakoun – Voices for Colorado veterans. Mention that the VA chapter and throughout the entire nation may eventually go away. Voices for Colorado veterans was created so that the VA will continue and not go away. Asking for support in this effort.

Schedule

The next regularly scheduled Chapter Board Meeting is December 31, 2022, via Zoom.

The next Chapter Membership Meeting is Saturday, January 7, 2022; the location will be at the South Metro Fire and Rescue Building, 9195 East Mineral Avenue, Centennial, Co 80112.

The Next Chapter 1106 Membership Meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2022, at 9:00AM at the South Metro Fire Rescue Building, zoom capability will be provided to those who cannot attend the meeting in person.

The membership meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM by President David Lyons.

This Chapter Membership Meeting minutes submitted by Clarence Rebolledo, Chapter Secretary.

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