

## **Minutes of the Executive Council Meeting for 27 April 2006**

President Ben Lamp called the meeting to order at 1430 hours on 27 April 2006 at the Sheraton Hotel and Convention Center in Sioux Falls, SD.

Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present.

Guests present were Chief Dave Simmons, State CSM Bekeart, Jim Blackwell, Past President - Cathy Anderson, & Cory Dreesman from the Junior Enlisted Council.

A motion was made by Don List and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Stewart to deviate from the agenda.

There was discussion about the expense vouchers and what everyone can claim and get paid for.

A motion was made by Don Stewart and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Ball to accept the minutes of the council meeting on 17 February 2006 as printed in the ECHO. Motion carried.

Point of Order was made by Bruce Anderson. He brought up the fact that all council members need to wear their name badges. If not wearing it, it will be a fine payable to the council.

Nancy Ausland gave the Treasurers Report. Final copy for the fiscal year will be available tomorrow during session. A final copy will be emailed or mailed out to the council through May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Committee Reports**

The committee reports will focus on what they will be telling the body in the next 2 days and not the report since those will be during the session. Discussed who was on each committee.

The audit committee was meeting immediately after the council meeting to go through the finances.

Membership report will be on Friday.

The format for giving reports will be posted on the computers in the admin room.

Future cities for conferences was brought up to give people a chance to talk and via for the future conferences.

There was discussion about changing the conference to 2 days instead of 3 days. This will be discussed by the Time and Place Committee on Friday.

There was a reminder to everyone that they needed a written copy of reports to the council.

Credentials, Time and Place, Position Evaluation, Ways and Means Committees discussed when they would meet.

Constitution and By-laws will meet with the Resolutions Committee. President Lamp discussed that Constitution and By-Laws and the Resolutions are separate from one another.

Budget, Young Heroes, Legislative & Insurance Committee Reports will be given on Friday.

Don List mentioned that resolutions are not only for National, but can be presented to the State Legislature. It's good if we are proposing something to let the AG know about it.

Athletics Committee reported that there were a lot of activities going on this year. Need to get out and promote our Association in the Communities and one way to do that is to host an athletic event.

Publications will be done by Nancy Ausland but she would like some help.

Nominations Committee reported that anyone can run every year for any of the positions. Give a hand written nomination to Craig Towns by Saturday morning.

President Lamp proposed to add 2 committees: 1. Web committee and make Lori Hoop the Chair. 2. Veterans Honor March Committee and take this discussion out of old or new business.

#### Old Business

Bob Funk thanked John Mimmack and everyone for all the work of the Conference Committee.

John Mimmack has all the nominees for NCO/Soldier /Airman of the Year.

Need to get soldiers and airman to the conference by sponsoring 1<sup>st</sup> time goers.

The ECHO goes to a lot of communities and we need to get people to advertise in it.

Anyone can put an advertisement in the ECHO. Get any ad info to Nancy Ausland.

We need to keep the addresses on retired members and life members so we can send them the ECHO and keep them involved in the association.

#### New Business

Area 5 caucus dates are May 19-20 in Fargo, ND. Ben Lamp, Bruce Anderson & Wayne Fokken are planning on attending. If anyone else is going, let Ben Lamp know.

The National Conference will be held in Salt Lake City, UT this year. As a delegate, you will get registration and 1 nights lodging paid for. We can put people on orders for this conference.

Area V will block off rooms for the National Conference at the Hilton City Center.

There are 12 rooms reserved for SD. POC at the Hilton is Susie Brener. Cost is \$90 per night and need to mention that you are with Area V for the EANGUS Conference.

There will be a memorial service on Friday for the fallen Soldiers and Airmen for this year. If you have any names get them to John Mimmack.

The 20 year certificates will be given on Friday. There are 7 Army and 4 Air that are coming to receive the certificates.

A motion was made by Don List and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dallas Vallery to adjourn the meeting.  
Motion Carried and meeting was adjourned.