

VFW SILVER STATE POST 3396
Minutes of Post Regular Meeting

Date Meeting Held: February 11, 2020

Location of Meeting: Duby Reid American Legion Post 30

Members Present: 16 Members

Guests present: 00

State/District Officers Present:

- None

OPENING CEREMONIES:

- Commander Aragon conducted the opening ceremonies in due form. Acting Chaplain Edward Holler delivered the opening prayer.
- Meeting declared open at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF POST OFFICERS:

Present (P) Absent (A) Excused (E)

Commander Jose Aragon	P
Sr. Vice Commander Jess Tiffany	P
Jr. Vice Commander Jerome Washington	E
Quartermaster Jim Stewart	P
Chaplain Charise Washington	E
Trustee (1 year) Vincent Beal	P
Trustee (2 year) Edward Holler	P
Trustee (3 year) Richard Perez	P
Surgeon Tyrus Dawson	A
Judge Advocate Donald Stockton	P
Adjutant David Sousa	P
Service Officer David Sousa	P
Officer of the Day Edward Holler	P

A quorum was established and present throughout the meeting.

DRAPING OF THE CHARTER CEREMONY

- VALDO RENUCCI - Conducted in due form

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READING AND REFERRING OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

- NONE TO REPORT

MUSTERING IN OF RECRUITS:

- None to Report

READING OF MINUTES:

- Minutes will stand as posted and approved

REPORT OF QUARTERMASTER; DISBURSEMENTS; RECEIPTS:

- See Attached Report provided by Quartermaster Stewart
- The quartermaster report stands as presented, subject to audit - Motion: Jerome Washington, Second by Donald Stockton, Motion Passed

READING OF BILLS:

- No Bills

REPORT OF SERVICE OFFICER:

- Assisted Veterans with benefit support

COMRADE OR FAMILY OF A COMRADE IN DISTRESS?

- Valdo Renucci Passed Away - Services are on Feb 22
- Senior Vice Jesse Tiffany is doing good attended meeting still undergoing medical care
- David Armstrong family member passed away
- Ann Beler - American Legion Post 30 Past Chaplin passed away February
- Vince Beall doing very good after treatments in the VA Hospital
- Bob Cashell former mayor passed away - good supporter for the Veterans Community
- Bob Snider - attended the Mid-winter conference and will try to help out if healthy enough
- Shirley Sousa Post Auxiliary president still on Oxygen but doing well
- Blanche Rettaliata has the flu
- Jana McElhaney was killed in January 2020 with services on February 6.

REPORTS OF ALL COMMITTEES:

A. Membership: Chairman Jess Tiffany

- Currently at 87.21%
- Needing 28 Members for 100%
- 21 members are expiring prior to June 30, 2020

B. Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen (November 1, 2020)

- Jerome Washington Chairman

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- C. VFW Teacher of the Year (November 1, 2020)
 - Jerome Washington Chairman
- D. VFW Safety Awards (Firemen, Police, and Paramedics) (Jan 1, 2021)
 - Public Dispatcher Awareness week
- E. Buddy Poppy Program Jessie Tiffany Chairman
 - Nothing to report
- F. Fundraiser: David Sousa Chairman
 - Needing post support in getting advertisements for website

REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN:

- Conducted in due form.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Reading of Communications.
2. **Discussion:** Donation from anonymous check #904727246 amount of \$9850.00, Letter inclosed
 - 2.1. **MOTION:** The post will pay for one team entry from Las Vegas in the Bataan Memorial Death March in 2020 in the amount not to exceed \$600.00. \$150.00 from anonymous the rest from post relief fund. Motion by David Sousa, Second by Jerome Washington **Motion Passed**
 - 2.2. **MOTION:** The post fund up to \$1,000.00 for a VFW Post 3396 team, made up of members from reno/sparks area to attend the 2020 Bataan Memorial Death March. \$1,000.00 comes from anonymous donor Motion by David Sousa, Second by Jerome Washington. **Motion passed**
 - 2.3. **MOTION:** The post sponsor the Heroes Journey, Inc. to bring the play *Last out, Elegy of a Great Beret* to the City of Sparks. Motion by David Sousa, Second by Jerome Washington **Motion Passed**
(**Update:** Check for \$8,000.00 sent to Heroes Journey, inc and plans for performance on July 17-19, 2020)
3. **MOTION:** The Washoe County JROTC Awards for the post and district support not to exceed \$385.90 Motion by Jerome Washington, Second by Donald Stockton **Motion Passed** (**Update:** Awards dropped off to WUSD JROTC by Commander Aragon)
4. **MOTION:** The post fund Commanders registration and meals to the VFW Department convention in Elko up to \$80.00 Motion by David Sousa, Second by Donald Stockton. **Motion passed** (**Update:** Check and registration application sent to VFW Post 2350 in Elko)
5. **MOTION:** The post fund a full color page advertisement for the VFW Department Convention in Elko not to exceed \$100.00 Motion by David Sousa, Second by Jerome Washington **Motion Passed** (**Update:** Check and registration application sent to VFW Post 2350 in Elko)

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NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: Memoriam for Valdo Renucci for \$100.00 made out in his honor. Motion by David Sousa, Second by Donald Stockton **Motion Passed**

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. AUSA President Dinner on February 17, 2020
2. Political Campaign notice to update our members on Veterans Town halls in community
3. Feeding America Opportunity for our local area
4. 39 North need support
5. VFW National Convention support needed Discussion for all on who the chairman to volunteer
6. Please visit our website vfw3393.org and Facebook site for updated information

NEXT POST MEETING:

- The next meeting of VFW Post 3396 will commence at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at the American Legion Post 30.

CLOSING CEREMONIES:

- Conducted in due form. Jerome Washington delivered the closing prayer. Meeting concluded at 7:42p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
VFW POST 3396

By: _____
David Sousa
Adjutant

Minutes approved: _____