

Jewish War Veterans

Post #54

Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2018

Sr. Vice Commander John Wilkerson called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM. The August Minutes were approved as written.

Attendance: Howard Goldstein, Rich Heisler, Mark Turner, Leslie Turner, Mike Sawyer, John Wilkerson, Jake Pollock, Larry Malis, Steve Fixler, Steve Braverman.

Commander's Report:

- No report since Bruce Mayor was not present

Reports

- Quartermaster's Report – Leslie Turner: \$3267.88 in the account unchanged from last meeting. Renewal notices were mailed out by National.
- Senior Vice Commander – John Wilkerson: Proposal to have a future meeting in Cantigny at the 1st Division Museum followed by a tour led by Steve Fixler. Group approved the option and are reviewing Sunday December 9 as the meeting date. Steve Fixler will check on reserving a room for the meeting. Previously discussed eating at Greek Islands Restaurant prior to Veterans Service at CEC on November 9. A better option might be the Patio.
- Junior Vice Commander – (Vacant): No report

Old Business

- Veteran's Day at Hines Hospital – Howard Goldstein: 2 food trucks sponsored by organizations (one is JWV and the other is Gary Sinise Foundation). Option being considered now is for Uncle Bub's to provide food and JWV to provide workers.
- Post 407 Homewood still considering a possible merger with us or Post 153 in Chicago. Tabled for future discussion if there is a formal request to merge.
- Cemetery Monument: Artillery piece could be repaired. JUF has contractors who may be able to help with the cement repair and could pick up the cost.
- Steve Fixler's presentation still scheduled for September 11, 7-8:30 at Wheaton Library on the Army's first tank battle of World War I led by LTC George Patton. Register online at the Wheaton Library Site

New Business

- National Desert Storm War Memorial Wall – Chicago Wolves vs. Rockford Ice Hogs AHL Hockey game November 10, 7 PM to support the memorial.
- 2018 National JWV Convention – Howard Goldstein: Meeting was in Tampa, next year in Northern VA. Secretary Robert Wilkie and BG Cindy Jebb spoke at the meeting. Big push to get engaged in Scouting, JROTC, ROTC. Howard summarized the resolutions passed at the meeting. One controversial resolution was passed to recommend PTSD for Purple Hearts. Post 1 from NY put together a 47-min DVD on the history of Jews in the military for National Museum of American Jewish Military History in Washington, DC. Howard recommends viewing the DVD at a future meeting.
- October 28th is the Religious School discussion day for the 9th grade. November 4 is the flag planting day with the 9th graders at the cemetery.
- Good of the Order/Comrades in Distress: Harve Bogolub is at home and is doing okay.

Next meeting scheduled for October 14, 2018, at Congregation Etz Chaim, 10:00 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 AM

Respectfully submitted

Steve Braverman

Adjutant