

Hampton Roads Council of Veterans Organizations

Meeting Minutes September 25, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 1900 by HRCVO President Dan Doyle

Invocation by HRCVO Chaplain

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Roll call of Officers and Directors: Present was President Dan Doyle, Vice President Bill Singleton, Immediate Past President Robert Randall, Secretary Venetta Charles, Treasurer Mike Maliniak, and Chaplain Kevin Bowser. The following Board of Director was present Scott Breuer. The following were excused absence Board of Director Michael Bukowski and Kathy Goodall.

Presidents Opening Remarks: The President stated he wanted to continue the discussion of memorializing the end of combat operations in Vietnam. This evening I will discuss the Navy's effort during the war.

The scope and breadth of the US Navy Operation was so large that it contributed significantly to the war efforts. The first US Navy Advisors arrived in Vietnam in 1950. By 1972 they had grown the Vietnam Navy into the fifth largest in the world.

There were 21 carriers and 86 wartime deployments, each nine or more months. The Navy Seals played an integral part during the war. They performed stand alone and joint operations.

During the war there were 15 Medals of Honor awarded to Navy Personnel. Four were Navy Corpsman's, three were Naval Aviator, three were Navy Seals, three were Riverina's Operators, and one was a Chaplain.

For more information visit www.vietnam50th.com

President Dan said thank you to Bob Freitag for organizing all the Proclamation Signings. Thank you also to everyone who made it to the various signing ceremonies. President Dan thanked everyone who attended the POW/MIA Wreath Laying ceremony.

Dan and Mike attended the Virginia Beach City Planning meeting today to discuss the parade routes. The Fire Marshall will be inspecting all floats in the parade for fire hazards. Notify your organizations that generators and gas containers are not allowed. Mike will also put it out in an email to notify all parade attendees.

Dan introduced this evening's Guest Speaker, Mr. Craig Colucci, Owner of D-Bat in Virginia Beach. He notified the members that his place of business is available for organizations to host a fundraiser at no cost. He also stated that they will be hosting a Hit-A-Ton on Veterans Day

from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM. There is no cost to come out and participate. D-Bat will find donors to fund this event.

President Dan reported that the HRVCO received a Letter of Appreciation from Hampton VA for the Apartment Baskets donations.

Dan announced that he has appointed the Board of Directors as the nominating committee to solicit officers for the upcoming elections. Information about the various HRCVO officer positions can be had in the by-laws. If you are interested in any of the positions, please make your desire known to Dan or one of the BOD. A slate will be presented in October and voting will take place in November 2023. New officers will take their seats in January 2024.

The Minutes from the previous meeting were published. The minutes were approved with corrections.

The Treasurer's Report was delivered and approved.

The luncheon tickets are still on sale. 180 tickets were distributed and payment has been received for 98. If you or your guest require a vegetarian meal, please let Mike know before the end of October.

There are coins and T-Shirts on sale.

The POA&M Review:

The news release and press conference will be handled by Immediate Past President Robert Randal.

200 chairs will be coming from ODU.

Four port-o-potty were ordered for the parade route.

We currently have 90 applications for the parade and seven VIP's confirmed.

During the Veterans Day Parade, a Jeep Parade will be taking place simultaneously.

There are only four high school bands participating in the parade this year.

Dan reported that Bob Freitag said the parade program is 90% completed.

Venetta asked the members to canvas their organizations for volunteers to assist at the luncheon. She also requested that each organization donate a basket for the raffle.

New Business: None

Organization Reports:

Gary Galles has assumed the duties as Post Commander. He also notified us that his predecessor Ted Vorce has passed. He encouraged everyone to get their affairs in order.

Virgil reported that on Veterans Day at 2:00 PM there will be a Grand Opening for the Veteran Care Center in Virginia Beach.

The next meeting will be held Monday, October 23, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Benediction and Prayer for Our Troops

Meeting adjourned 7:57 PM

HRCVO
Financial Report
September 2023

Beginning Balance (9/1/2023)

Checking	\$ 7,414.96
Savings	\$ 13,014.66
Total	\$ 20,429.62

Income

T-Shirt	\$ 5.00
Donation - VVA 48	\$ 100.00
Luncheon Tickets - Mayor's Veterans Committee	\$ 250.00
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Luncheon Tickets - VFW 392	\$ 250.00
Luncheon Tickets - SCV 1549	\$ 100.00
Luncheon Ticket - K of C (Ginete)	\$ 25.00
Luncheon Ticket - Mayor Dyer	\$ 25.00

Savings Account Interest \$ 1.60

Total Monthly Income \$ 1,006.60

Expenses

Total Monthly Expenses \$ -

Ending Balance (9/30/2023) \$ 21,436.22

Submitted by Mike Maliniak, Treasurer

HRCVO ATTENDANCE ROSTER

DATE: _____

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS	NAME	Phone Number	Email Address
1st Marine Division Association			
27th Marines Regiment Association	Johnny Jordan	757-41-6177	JJrUD@aol.com
29th Division Association			
Air & Space Forces Assn, Tidewater Chap. 323	Michael Feggans	757-4508243	MikeFeggans@gmail.com
Air Force Women's Association			
American Gold Star Mothers, H. R. Chapter	Monat, Gunn	757-339-3750	monatgunn@gmail.com
American Gold Star Wives, H. R. Chapter			
American Legion 2nd District	Alice V. COOPER	757 496-7089	voopercooper@hotmail.com
American Legion Post 110	Ron BASSO	757 951-7881	vbasson@gmail.com
American Legion Post 113			
American Legion Post 327			
American Legion Womens Post 118			
American Veterans Post 69	ROGER DURITY	757 620-2120	ROGER.DURITY@GMAIL.COM
Beirut Veterans of America			
Chesapeake Mayor's Commission on Veterans Affairs (MCVA)	Venella Charles	757) 603-1495	venella.charles@gmail.com
Coalition of Retired Military Veterans			

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MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS	NAME	Phone Number	Email Address
Disabled Veterans Chapter 20			
Disabled Veterans Chapter 26			
Disabled Veterans Chapter 41			
Filipino-American Veterans of H. R.			
Fleet Reserve Association Branch 5			
Fleet Reserve Association Branch 37			
Fleet Reserve Association Branch 60			
Fleet Reserve Association Branch 99			
Fleet Reserve Association Branch 166			
Fleet Reserve Association Branch 257			
Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 3204	<i>Kevin Bowser</i>		
Guadalcanal Campaign Veterans			
Hampton Roads Chamber	<i>Bob Freitag</i>	<i>497.2336</i>	<i>RJFreid AOL.com</i>
Honor Society of Women Legionnaires 20 & 4			
Jewish War Vets. Old Dominion Post #158			
Knights of Columbus Assembly #1162			

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MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS	NAME	Phone Number	Email Address
Knights of Columbus Assembly #2588	Mike MALINIAC	467-9007	mmalinac@cox.net
La Societe Des 40 Hommes Et 8 Chevaux	Mike Bukowski		
Marine Corps League			
Mil Offs. Assn of America H.R. Chapter	JEFF BULLHETT	757-222-2223	IGB19442@verizon.net
Military Order of the Purple Heart			
Military Order of the World Wars, V. B. Chap.			
Military Women of Tidewater - Unit 152			
Mission POW/MIA			
National Sojourners H. R. Chapter 6			
Patriot Guard Riders			
Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 484			
Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 1549	BOB SHIRLEY	757-424-4540	graywolf6@peoplepc.com
Special Forces Assn, Chapter 84			
Team - Red, White & Blue			
Tidewater Council - Boy Scouts			
USS FORRESTAL Association			

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MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS	NAME	Phone Number	Email Address
U. S. Military Vets. Motorcycle Club Chap 1			
U. S. Submarine Vets. of Hampton Roads	Cathy Gales	757 714 2733	basecommander-hrb@ ^{hrb} gmail.com
Veterans Association of Real Estate Professionals (VAREP)			
Veterans of Foreign Wars District 2			
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 392			
Veterans of Foreign Wars Tidewater Post 3160			
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4809			
Veterans Kitchen, Inc.			
Veterans of Underage Military Service			
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 48			
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 969			
Virginia Beach Mayors Veterans Committee	VIRGIC HART	757 619 0490	GSECHART@AOL.COM
Virginia Department of Veterans Services			
Women's Marine Association			
HRCVO Auxiliary			
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