



Vietnam Veterans of America

CHAPTER 203

BOARD MINUTES

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 203 held its E-Board meeting on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 in the Boardroom of the Chattanooga Funeral Home, 540 Hwy. 153, Hixson, TN. The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Hobbs at 6:00 PM. The invocation was given by 1st Vice President, Bob Holloway, followed by a Moment of Silence for our POW's and MIA's. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by 2nd Vice President Larry Gregory.

Board Members

President:	Charlie Hobbs	present	Larry Anderson	present
1 st VP:	Bob Holloway	present	Vance Elliott	present
2 nd VP:	Larry Gregory	present	Larry Johnson	excused
Secretary:	Bob Brauch	present	Chris Linville	present
Treasurer:	Marsha Thibadoux	present	Denney Miller	present
			Bill Norton	excused
AVVA:	Susan Price	present		

The Secretary called the roll:

A quorum was established.

Motion: To accept agenda as written. **Adopted**

The Treasurer's report was given without question or comment.

Unfinished Business

After discussion on the One Call Now purchase and implementation, it was decided to postpone until the July Board meeting.

Motion: To postpone the purchase and implementation of One Call Now until the July meeting.
Adopted

Denney Miller, Board member, gave an update to the purchase of the Chaplain's uniform. The coat, shirt, pants, shoes and crest were donated by the Hixson High School ROTC. The chapter must purchase the hat crest.

Due to possible changes in the membership dues after the National Leadership Conference, no business cards will be purchased now.

Motion: To postpone the purchase of chapter business cards until after the National BOD meeting July 2018. **Adopted**

Motion: To purchase shirt with logo for all Officers and Board of Directors. **Adopted**

New Business.

Chapter 203 has been participating in the Dunlap 4th of July Parade for numerous years; however, with the possibility of repairs to the bus not being completed in time, it was decided to build a float.

Motion: To Budget \$300.00 for decoration for a float to be entered into the Dunlap 4th of July parade. **Adopted**

The Chapter R & R Picnic has been scheduled in the fall for several years. Marsha and Charlie are checking on several options. Tentative date will be Oct. 6, 2018

The next TN Memorial Wall location is in Lenoir City, TN. June 29-30, 2018 at the local Walmart. In Aug, it will be displayed at the Sevierville, TN, Walmart on the 17, 18, & 19th.

Motion: To take the Bus out of town for a Wall Collection in Lenoir City, TN and to Sevierville, TN. **Adopted**

In an effort to increase membership, it was discussed to offer a 3-year membership at a reduced pricing and the chapter pay the remainder of the required monies due.

Motion: To offer 3-year membership for \$25.00, Chapter will match the \$25.00. **Adopted**

Honor Guard Coordinator, Denney Miller, reported that the current Honor Guard rifles are getting too heavy to carry. He suggested buying 1903 Springfield replica rifles which are lighter weight.

Motion: To purchase two 1903 Springfield replica rifles for the Honor Guard. **Adopted**

Motion: To gift \$500.00 to Joanna Henshaw (web master) to aid her in attending the VVA/AVVA Leadership Conference in Palm Springs, CA, this summer. **Adopted**

The Treasurer, Marsha Thibadoux, submitted a revised form for reporting expenses which included a space for "office use".

Motion: To accept the new Chapter Expense Sheet. **Adopted**

The chapter is in need a new chapter cap patch. The old patch is outdated. In an effort to engage the membership, a contest was suggested.

Motion: To begin a contest to design a patch for the Chapter cap. Deadline for submission is October 15th. A \$100.00 prize to be awarded to the designer of the accepted patch. **Adopted**

Due to increased bank charges for the Synovus Bank, it was suggested by the Treasurer to change to First Bank.

Motion: A motion was made to change the Chapter's banking from Synovus to First Bank. **Adopted**

AVVA Report:

Susan Price, Chapter President, reported that the July meeting will be cancelled.

Sept. 22nd, 29th, Oct 6th or Oct 13th are the tentative dates for Spousal Benefit and Survivor Educational Seminar at Temple Baptist Church in Chattanooga, TN. Charles "Chuck" Alsobrook, County Service Officer, will be the presenter.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM

Bob Brauch, Chapter Secretary