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7 Jul 2021

MEMORANDUM FOR: Central Valley Chapter # 1551  
*Spirit of Sacramento* Auxiliary Chapter # 0270

**SUBJECT:** NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (7 Jul 2021)

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours in person by Chapter Chairman CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan. There was no Zoom connection.

Pledge of Allegiance led by CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan  
NCOA Creed read by MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase  
Moment of silence observed

2. **Executive Committee Members:**

CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman, Present  
MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow, Vice-Chairman, Present  
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns, Treasurer, Present  
MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon, Secretary, Present  
MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler, Trustee, Present  
MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase, Trustee, Present

3. **Auxiliary Executive Committee Members:**  
Karen Jamison, Vice Chairman, Absent  
Scott Rodowick, Treasurer, Present

Tammy Sullivan, Chairman, Present  
Judy Mabie, Secretary, Absent  
Pam Wright, Trustee, Absent

4. **Members Present:**

MSgt (Ret) Shawn Simmons	SFC (Ret) Whitley Varney	Ellie Witt, Auxiliary
Kim Dewar, Auxiliary	Jasmine Kearns, Auxiliary	Melissa Carnahan

5. **Guests Present:** SGM (Ret) Joseph Terry, Ms. Tina Kish, Derek Kresge.

6. **Chairman's Comments:**

**Regular:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan opened the meeting recognizing Super Saxon Award recipients, MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow, Mrs. Tammy Sullivan, and Mr. Scott Rodowick.

**Auxiliary:** Chairman Tammy Sullivan spoke about calendar events, identified in the New Business area of the minutes.

**HQ Chairman's Comments:** SGM (Ret) Joseph Terry - Greetings and shared the following comments: We're on track putting in a lot of time and effort in preparation for the Conference. Thank you again for the support of the Marine Vanguard. Unfortunately, SGMMC Black will not be able to stay for the dinner. He will be on the Panel. Sgt Maj Abe Leal From the San Diego MCRD will be at the Vanguard Banquet. As you may know we started the NCOA WWII Medallion Program again. So far 86 medallions' have been ordered. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the conference.

7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 134 Auxiliary: 110
8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns and Scott Rodowick gave their treasurers' reports.  
 Balance: Regular: \$ 4,196.53 Auxiliary: \$3,020.11  
 JROTC: \$ 12,053.29
9. **Legislative:** MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase discussed the following Legislative activities. On Thursday, June 24, the Department of Veterans Affairs announced it would be extending the foreclosure and eviction moratoriums through July 31. S.1859, the National Guard and Reserve Incentive Pay Parity Act. Current legislation caps the amount of pay those members of the National Guard and Reserves receive to a fraction of what those on active duty receive. Simply put, the National Guard and Reserve Incentive Pay and Parity Act requires equal pay for equal proficiency. S.1572, the Military Child Care Expansion Act of 2021 looks to expand, improve, and fund more on base childcare opportunities. S.1488, the Military Hunger Prevention Act would create a basic needs allowance (BNA) to help low-income military families put food on the table. The following are additional websites providing useful information for both active duty and retirees: <https://www.cac.mil/coronavirus/Tricare>, AFSA - (<http://www.hqafsa.org>), <http://www.airforcemaq.com/Pages/HomePage.aspx>, Veterans Administration - <https://www.va.gov>, and Military Times - (<http://www.militarytimes.com>).
10. **Unfinished Business:**
- a. Website Update – Website is up to date with information. (Open)
  - b. JROTC Update – There have been 206 medals shipped so far this year. Only one scholarship package was received prior to the cutoff date. (Open)
  - c. 2021 Conference – Scheduled for 20-23 Jul. Check for the Vanguard sponsorship is in the mail. Senior service panel is planning to be live on Facebook and Zoom. (Open)
  - d. Aerospace Museum of California – Many events currently happening. The Old Crow Café hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday through Sunday. (Open)
  - e. 2021 Calendar of Events – Mather Air Show, 25-26 Sep. (Open)
  - f. Rancho Cordova Business Expo – 24 Jun 21, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There were 85 booths and 41 had signs for “hiring”. Very successful event with 25 new memberships! (Closed)
11. **New Business:**
- a. VFW Breakfast – 8 Aug 0900-1100. Need volunteers. (Open)
  - b. Special Election – 14 Sep. More details to follow at next meeting. (Open)
  - c. VFW Dinner – 17 Sep. Chicken and Ribs. Need volunteers. (Open)
  - d. Move America Forward – Packaging treats for the troops. 17 Jul 0900-1400. Address is: 3105 Fite Circle, Ste 108, Rancho Cordova. (Open)
  - e. Sacramento Stand Down – Dental care being provided at the Mather VA complex during 16-17 Jul. (Closed)

Meeting adjourned at 2004 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 4 Aug 2021 at 1900 hours and will be held both in person at the VFW and online with Zoom. MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow will send out an email with information to attend; please respond to his message so you can register.

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 JAMES SULLIVAN, CMSgt, USAF (Ret)  
 Chapter Chairman

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 TERRY G. SHANNON, MSGT, USAF (Ret)  
 Chapter Secretary