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6 Apr 2022

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

SUBJECT: NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (6 Apr 2022)

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours in person and online with Zoom by Chapter Chairman CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan.
Pledge of Allegiance led by CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan
NCOA Creed read by MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon
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
Pam Wright, Secretary, Absent
Judy Mabie, Trustee, Absent
4. **Members Present:**
SKCS (Ret) Norma von Dohren MSgt (Ret) Liz Lynn MSgt (Ret) Shawn Simmons
TSgt (Ret) Orin Taylor, Sr SFC (Ret) Whitley Varney SPC Donald "Tim" Tribble
Bob Byers, Auxiliary Jasmine Kearns, Auxiliary Ellie Witt, Auxiliary
Kim Dewar, Auxiliary
5. **Guests Present:** SGM (Ret) Joseph Terry, SPC Brock Lee and Susan Lee, Tina Kish
6. **Chairman's Comments:**
Regular: CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan opened the meeting identifying multiple Super Saxon Award recipients. Thanks for all your service to the NCOA for all who were identified, mostly all of those who have served over the past year, Thanks! SPC Brock Lee was introduced as a guest speaker who provided information about not being a "Cribbage" completer but also someone who could assist disabled veterans be re-evaluated with their disability, but also assist with other significant other benefits available for disabled veterans.

Auxiliary: Chairman Ms. Tammy Sullivan did not have any comments.

HQ Chairman's Comments: SGM (Ret) Joseph Terry; commented about the Korean War Coin. The NCOA HQ continues to work towards the success of the NCOA Conference.

7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 170 Auxiliary: 121
8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns and Mr. Scott Rodowick gave their treasurers' reports.

Balance: Regular: \$ 3,780.44 Auxiliary: \$3,017.38
JROTC: \$ 7,018.81

9. **Legislative:** MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase provided the following updates. H.R 4673 *Ensuring Veterans Smooth Transition Act* would require VA to enroll every transitioning veteran into the VA health care system. This was passed by the House and on its way to the Senate. H.R.3967 Passed House (03/03/2022) Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2021 or the Honoring our PACT Act of 2021. H.R 1836 Guard and Reserve GI Bill Parity Act was passed by the house and is on its way to the Senate is if signed into law by the President, would count any day troops served on active duty as qualifying time for Post - 9/11 GI bill eligibility. The following are websites providing useful information for both active duty and retirees: <https://www.cac.mil/coronavirus/Tricare>, AFSA - (<http://www.hqafsa.org>), <http://www.airforcemag.com/Pages/HomePage.aspx>, Veterans Administration - <https://www.va.gov>, and Military Times -(<http://www.militarytimes.com>).

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Website Update – The website provides up to date information. (Open)
- b. JROTC Update – A total of 260 orders have been shipped this year. (Open)
- c. Irreverent Warriors Walk – 10.6 miles, working on a logo, working on an event on the Friday prior to the walk; needing a volunteer coordinator. (Open)
- d. 2022 Calendar of Events – Unfortunately had to cancel Easter Bunny Event. Added a breakfast for 15 May @ 0900. Needing Volunteers. (Open)
- e. Elections – 7 Jun. Looking for volunteers. More details to follow at next mtng. (Open)
- f. Sacramento Stand Down – 6-8 May at the Mather VA Center. Looking for volunteers. Reminder, 5 May is the Big Day of Giving; consider giving to the Sacramento Stand Down Association. Motion was made to support the Stand down by both the Chapter and Auxiliary Chapter to donate \$100 for shoe donations. (Open)
- g. Capital City Airshow – 1-2 Oct. More details to follow. (Open)

11. **New Business:**

- a. Hud/Vash Storage Clean Up – 16 Apr Need volunteers to clean up six of the units in Rancho Cordova during the hours of 0800-1200. (Open)
- b. NCOA 2022 Conference Luncheon Donation – A unanimous decision was agreed upon to sponsor a \$3,500 contribution from the JROTC program for NCOA Conference Luncheon. (Closed)

Meeting adjourned at 2010 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 4 May 2022 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 N. SULLIVAN, CMSgt, USAF (Ret)
Chapter Chairman

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