

# Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin

Detachment Executive Committee Post Convention Meeting Minutes, July 17th 2016

## Opening

### Call to Order

Sunday July 17th, 2016 newly elected Detachment Vice Commander Christopher Sherman (071 ) called to order the Detachment Executive Committee Post convention meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Mendota Room of the Madison Marriot West. In the Excused absence of newly elected Detachment Commander Mike A. Kollmansberger (075) whom had to leave for the Legion floor.

### Posting of the Colors

With the Colors being in place, a right-hand salute was rendered to the U.S. flag.

**Invocation**-Invocation was given by Detachment Chaplain Shawn Grothe (243)

### POW/MIA Empty Chair Ceremony

A ceremony honoring our POW/MIA was conducted by Detachment Vice Commander Sherman (071), Detachment Chaplain Shawn Grothe (243).

### The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Detachment Vice Commander Robert Sirovina, Jr (537).

### Reciting of the S.A.L. Preamble

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### Roll Call of Detachment Officers

Taken by Detachment Adjutant David R. Faust (245)

Detachment Commander	Mike A. Kollmansberger	(075)	Excused
Detachment Vice Commander	Christopher Sherman	(071)	Present
Detachment Vice Commander	Robert Sirovina	(537)	Present
Detachment Vice Commander	Allen Watry	(038)	Present
Detachment Vice Commander	Ray Dzieciol	(534)	Present
Detachment Chaplain	Shawn Grothe	(243)	Present
Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms	Gary Masnak	(434)	Present
Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms	David Fuller	(209)	Excused
National Executive Committeeman	Daniel R. Daily	(434)	Excused
Alternate NECman	Patrick Gryskiewicz	(091)	Present
Past Detachment Commander	Russell Severson	(313)	Absent
Past Detachment Commander	Daniel R. Daily	(434)	Excused
Past Detachment Commander	Gary Lubich	(121)	Present
1st District Commander	Mike Pook	(449)	Excused
3rd District Commander	Ray Dzieciol	(534)	Present
6th District Commander	Brian Stems	(075)	Excused

### Guests

None

### Correspondance

None

### Minutes

Motion by Detachment Vice Commander Robert Sirovina (537) seconded by Detachment Vice Commander Allen Watry (038) to accept the minutes to be published at a later date. Discussion – none. Motion carried.

### **Administrative Appointments**

Detachment Commander Mike A. Kollmansberger (075) had submitted the following appoints:

- Detachment Adjutant - David R. Faust (245)
- Detachment Judge Advocate – Chad M. Lawler (437)
- Detachment Historian – Mark Lipke (075)
- Detachment Assistant Adjutants – (1) Gary Lee LeRoy (294), (2) Michael L. Lawler (437)

Motion by Detachment Vice Commander Chris Sherman (071), seconded by Detachment Vice Commander Ray Dzieciol (534) to accept the appointments. Discussion – none. Motion carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

The ad hoc committee of Bob Ames, David Fuller, Rich Ruland, David Faust and Detachment Commander Kollmansberger prepared a draft of the criteria for the revocation of Squadron Charters that have been Goose eggs for more than up to three years. This was presented to the Executive committee for their comments. The document includes those Squadron that are trying but only retain less than 10 members over those years. The criteria would need to be passed on to Department for approval, resolve of this criteria is projected for approval by Mid-Winter 2017 and Squadrons that are still at 0 membership would be revoked by action after the Mid-Winter. Motion by Vice- Commander Robert Sirovina (537), seconded by PDC Patrick Gryskiewicz (091) to accept the draft of revocation and forward to Department. Discussion – none. Motion carried.

PDC Gary Lubich was assigned to price the flag poles, stands, eagles and or spears and blue star banner for purchase that is needed by the Detachment. Quoted approx. \$453 for the items.

Motion by Detachment Vice Commander Robert Sirovina (537), seconded by PDC Patrick Gryskiewicz (091) to expend max. of up to \$500 to purchase the items that were need by the Detachment. Discussion – none. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

Detachment Finance chair Tom Petrie noted that Committees & Commissions need to put in request early for funds if they wish to receive them and currently no requests have been asked for. In addition noted that any donations for Josh Dog donations should be filled out on the donations sheet and sent to him for proper processing.

### **Vice Commander District Assignments**

During Detachment Commander Kollmansberger's absence Detachment Vice Commander Christopher Sherman (071), Allen Watry (038), Robert Sirovina (537) and Ray Dzieciol (534) volunteered for Districts.

Christopher Sherman 1,2,7

Allen Watry 8,9,6

Robert Sirovina 4,5,10

Ray Dzieciol 3,11,12

Motion by Detachment Vice Commander Allen Watry (038) seconded by Detachment Vice Commander Robert Sirovina (537) to recess the meeting until Detachment Commander Kollmansberger returns. discussion – none. motion carried.

Detachment Commander Kollmansberger returned and re convened the meeting at 10:50.

Called for a moment of silence for the three police officers that were killed in Baton Rouge early this morning.

### **Committee and Commission Appointments**

Detachment Commander Mike A. Kollmansberger (075) made the following appointments.

**Finance Commission**

Finance Chair– Tom Petrie (189) (2016)  
Gary Lee LeRoy (294) (2017)  
Patrick Gryskiewicz (091) (2018)  
Mike Pook (449) (2017)  
Daniel R. Daily (434) (2017).

**Internal Affairs Commission**

Internal Affairs Chair– Ed Ciechanowski (434) (2017)  
Legislative – Chad Lawler (437) (2018)  
Membership – Rich Ruland (481) (2017)  
Officer Development & Policy Michael L. Lawler (437) (2018)  
Public Relations – Vacant (2019)

**Programs Committee**

Programs Chair – Chris Sherman (071) (2017).  
Americanism Chair – Vacant (2018)  
Children and Youth - Daniel R. Daily (434) (2017)  
National Security Chair – Gary Lubich (121) (2018)  
Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation – Jim Wilhems (075) (2018)

**Resolutions**

Resolutions Chair -Chad Lawler (437) (2016)  
Members Christopher Sherman (071) (2016)  
Allen Watry (038) (2016).

Motion by Detachment Vice Commander Christopher Sherman (071), Detachment Vice Commander Allen Watry (038) seconded by to accept the appointments, Discussion – none, motion carried.

Detachment Commander Kollmansberger set his goals for the new year  
Membership 105% increase, 100% by Veterans Day and achieving the triple Nickel Award.  
Child welfare Foundation \$1.00 per member  
Consolidated reports turned in 100%  
Communications continue conference calls, reach out to each member thru mailings and e-news  
Commanders Project \$1.00 per member.

**For the Good of the Sons of The American Legion**

Detachment Commander Kollmansberger brought up addition new Business in regard to membership incentives such as pins, polo shirts or plague's this was opened to discussion. From the discussion, it was noted that 15 plaque awards be budgeted for this effort.

Detachment Commander Kollmansberger also noted that he would like to see a Sons of The American Legion state pin, this would also need to be budgeted for.

A committee was appointed to develop a new pin design Mike Kollmansberger, Chris Sherman, Mike Lawler and Gary Lubich.

Detachment Commander Kollmansberger would like to see District Colors posted at Detachment meetings.

### **Final Announcements**

Detachment Adjutant Faust noted that it is very important that Squadrons due not hold on to the membership it should be transmitted as soon as possible.

### **Closing**

#### **Benediction**

A benediction was offered by Detachment Chaplain Shawn Grothe (243)

#### **Retirement of POW/MIA Empty Chair**

The POW/MIA Empty Chair cover was retired by Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms.

#### **Retirement of the Colors**

With the Colors being in place, a right-hand salute was rendered to the U.S. flag.

#### **Adjournment**

With no other business Detachment Commander Kollmansberger (075) declared the Post Convention Detachment Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Detachment Assistant Adjutant  
Gary Lee LeRoy (294)