

UNITED VETERANS COUNCIL OF NEW MEXICO

PO BOX 8034, Albuquerque, NM 87198

MINUTES – August 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Ken O'Keefe at 1:02pm. Ken O. led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were eleven (11) representatives in attendance.

Minutes of previous meeting are correct and approved as written.

Treasurer's report by Mary C. accepted and subject to financial review (copy attached).

Account Balance: (as of 8/11/16) Checking \$385.88/Savings \$940.95

New Mexico Veterans Memorial

*Bernie L. - Lecture Series every 1st Saturday of the month, 10:00am–12:00pm have been canceled pending further notice. To celebrate Navy week in ABQ this year on Monday, Sept 12, 2016, kickoff at NMVM at 10:00am, there will be activities & entertainment. For more info contact Floyd Vasquez at P# 505-980-1028. Navy League Dinner on Sept 14, 2016 - more info to follow. Bernie L. is working on programs for incarcerated veterans to encourage them not to get involved with gangs, more info to follow. USAF MSgt Dave Graham is interested in being on NMVM Board and helping with the POW/MIA Day Ceremony. Calvary Division to have reunion at NMVM – more info to follow.

*NMVM needs Board Members, please apply if interested. Any questions contact Bernie L. at 505-433-8683 or bernielambe@hotmail.com.

*NMVM is open for military organizations to have meetings. Can also reserve hall for weddings or events. Please contact office to schedule.

*NMVM will be sending letters to Charter members and to welcome new membership, etc... Annual yearly cost is \$20 per person, \$35 per couple, \$50 per family, \$100 per organization.

*Contact office for information on Tours at the NMVM.

*Swing Dances are every last Saturday of the month, 7:00–9:00pm. Admission is free to public.

*Legal Assistants (civil matters only) every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 9:00am -12:00m. Check out link on UVC website.

*Next NMVM Board meeting is scheduled for Aug 17, 2016. Board meetings are held every 3rd Wednesday of the month at the NMVM, from 4:00-6:00pm and is open to the public.

*The website for NM Veterans Memorial is www.nmvetsmemorial.org

Mayor's Veterans' and Military Affairs Advisory Board

Mayors Advisory Board meeting is held every 3rd Wednesday of the month. Next meeting will be on Aug 17, 2016 at the NMVM @ 9:00am. No other reports.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

*Please send Walter Paul photos, programs, links, updates, etc... for the UVC website.

*Approval for website information must go through Ken O'Keefe.

New Business

*Veterans Day at the State Fair is on Sept 13, 2016, Mary C. to have a table for NMVM. Daniels Memorial Wall will not be put up at the State Fair this year. Entry – 6:30am/large displays, 7:30am/rest of displays, all vendors/displays must be setup by 8:45am. Free parking @ Gate 8/on Louisiana & Lomas. Patriotic Rodeo that evening is free of charge to everyone. To honor the Navy at Pavilion for Navy week.

*POW/MIA Day Friday, Sept 16, 2016, 10:00am - to start at Hardin Field, KAFB and run to NMVM.

*Veterans Day Ceremony @NMVM, November 11, 2016. Music at 10:00am, Ceremony 11:00am.
More info to follow, planning committee meetings TBD.

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*Ken O. - ABQ Concert Bands last performance is on Sept 17, 2016, @7:00pm, NMVM Amphitheater.
(No Dogs without a leash allowed).

*Bob D. -B52 Project is done at the Nuclear Museum, please go to see it.

*"Lawyers Helping Warriors" helps vets with legal issues and benefits. Contact Craig Gaymon @ 505-404-0801, 1-888-991-3415, at address 1516 San Pedro NE or at www.lawyershelpingwarriors.com.

*Roy B. for more information concerning the NM Veterans Art, contact Roy Breckenridge
@ P#: 505-410-3593 or email: president@nmveteransart.com

*Roger M./Dept of Veteran Services- The Veterans Family Museum is now located in Tejas. To provide summary sheet in future. Contact Roger Mickelson for more info at 332-9273/tmci6@aol.com

*NM Museum of Military History has moved to 6th Street, will be for storage only. Any requests for displays of weapons, contact Harry Misel at 798-0896.

*Roadrunner Convoy provides military vehicles for events. Contact Harry Misel at 798-0896.

*MOAA took on project to work on BX Pharmacy issue. Any questions/comments contact Walter P.

*There is now Urgent Care @ the ABQ VA Hospital E.R. on Saturdays.

*UVC Polo's are \$30 – order Polo's from Diana W. 575-640-3042.

50/50 drawing – won by Diana W./donated back to General Fund

Meeting adjourned by Ken O. @ 1:44pm.

Next meeting 1:00 pm, September 8, 2016 @ the NM Veterans Memorial, 1100 Louisiana Blvd SE

Note:

The above minutes are pending approval at next UVC meeting.

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