

## **UNITED VETERANS COUNCIL OF NEW MEXICO**

**PO BOX 8034, Albuquerque, NM 87198**

**MINUTES – July 13, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by President Ken O. at 1:08pm. JoAnn Z. lead the Pledge of Allegiance. There were twelve (12) representatives from organizations in attendance.

Minutes of previous meeting are correct and approved as written.

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

Account Balance: (as of July 13, 2017) Checking \$483.15/Savings \$941.82

FYI: KFCU may be merging with SAFCU.

### **New Mexico Veterans Memorial**

\*Bernie L.- working with memorial board and city (5yr plan) a list of things to improve (office space, meeting room, etc...). Asking for volunteers.

Ernie Pyle Day Event on Thursday, August 3, 2017 @ 10:00am at NMVM.

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

\*NMVM needs Board Members, please apply if interested. Any questions contact Bernie L. at 505-433-8683 or [bernielambe@hotmail.com](mailto:bernielambe@hotmail.com).

\*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.

\*Free Civil Legal Advice for Veterans – services provided quarterly at the NMVM (January 10, March 14, June 13, September 12, 2017) 8:30 – 11:00am. Check out link on UVC website.

\*No NMVM Board meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup>. Next NMVM Board meeting will be held on August 16, 2017 @ 5:00pm, there will be a VA Speaker on PTSD. Board meetings are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at the NMVM @ 5:00pm and is open to the public.

\*The website for NM Veterans Memorial is [www.nmvetsmemorial.org](http://www.nmvetsmemorial.org)

### **Mayor's Veterans' and Military Affairs Advisory Board**

Mayors Advisory Board meeting is held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Next meeting will be on July 19, 2017 at the NMVM @ 9:00am. Meetings are open to the public.

### **Unfinished Business**

\*Fred H.- Flag Day Ceremony on June 14<sup>th</sup> at NMVM had 30 attendees, presentation went well, saving template for next years event.

\*Ken O. request to sponsor the Military Coalition Luncheon on Saturday, September 16, 2017 @ 11:00 – 12:00 at the Marriott on Louisiana. Bob D. explained what UVC needs to do – guest speaker, arrange lunch, Treasurer (Mary C.) to collect funds at registration desk, name tags (Diana W. to provide), set up 45 mins prior, approx. 50 attendees, cost usually \$23 per person. Bernie L -to talk w/executives on estimate so UVC has an idea of cost & suggest to have luncheon at the NMVM/cater food in.

Steve L./move -to sponsor MCL if cost covers expenses. Diana W./2<sup>nd</sup>.

Discussion – UVC funds, concerning cost of food and venue, pay in advance, no refunds.

Steve L./amended motion that UVC will not sponsor MCL unless the charge per person covers total cost, plus taxes. Diana W./withdrew 2<sup>nd</sup> and Joann Z./2<sup>nd</sup> the amendment.

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

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

## **New Business**

\*No New Business.

## **Good of the Order**

\*Ken O. stated that each military organization should have a place on their own agenda at meetings to report and pass on information from UVC.

\*Roy B.- will be having a Thank You get together at his house on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm for all NMVA merit award sponsors. For more information concerning NMVA, contact Roy Breckenridge @ P#: 505-410-3593 or email: [president@nmveteransart.com](mailto:president@nmveteransart.com)

\*Dues for UVC are due on July 1<sup>st</sup> and is good till June of the next year. If paid in January, you are grandfathered in for the 18 months, till the next June.

\*The NM Museum of Military History will still go out to talk and visit with groups, talk about weapons, and can also setup displays. Contact Harry Misel at 798-0896.

\*Veterans Family Museum is now located in Tejas. (Do not know who new contact is at this time ).

\*NM Museum of Military History has moved to 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

\*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 – Winner Ed H./\$8.50 (donate back to UVC general fund). Total \$17

Meeting adjourned by Ken O. @ 2:12pm.

Next meeting 1:00 pm, August 10, 2017 @ the NM Veterans Memorial, 1100 Louisiana Blvd SE

## **Note:**

The above minutes are pending approval at next UVC meeting.

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