



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES
DISTRICT V ~ THAILAND/CAMBODIA/AUSTRALIA Delbert

N. Marohl Commander

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Date: 20 October 2018
 Location: Best Hotel, Nakhon Ratchasima, (Korat)
 Host: Post 10217

1. **Call to order:** Cmdr. Marohl called the meeting to order at 0930hrs.
2. **Visitors of note:**
 - DPA Commander Mike Merville
 - PDC & Current DPA JVC, Ken Stein
 - PDC & MOC SS Fred Berg
3. **Roll Call of Officers and Posts:**

<i>Officers</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Post(s)</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
Commander D. Marohl	x	_____	9876 - Guarnuccio	x	_____
Sr. Vice Cdr R. Riggs	x	_____	9951 - Riggs	x	_____
Jr. Vice Cdr L. Williams	x	_____	10217 - Jones	x	_____
Quartermaster L. Holub	x	_____	10249 - Marohl	x	_____
Chaplain Steuer	x	_____	11575 - Day	_____	x
Judge Advocate Kershaw	x	_____	12074 - Gariano	x	_____
Surgeon Farrell	x	_____	12146 - Farrell	x	_____
Trustee 1 Yr. W. Bragg	x	_____	12163 - Maughmer	_____	x
Trustee 2 Yr. P. Jones	x	_____			
Trustee 3 Yr. R. Rositer	x	_____			
S. O. L. Williams	x	_____			
Adjutant M. Cooperman	x	_____			

4. **Minutes of our last meeting:** Adjutant Cooperman moved to waive the reading of the minutes of our last meeting as minutes are posted on the website, seconded by Comrade Fitchett having no discussion for corrections the motion carried.
5. **Credential Committee Report** Comrade Cooperman
No Report
6. **Quartermaster Report of receipts and disbursements:** QM Holub read the report of receipts, disbursements and balances, motion to accept the QM report as presented by: Comrade Stein, seconded by Comrade Bragg having no discussion, motion carried.

Previous Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Ending Balance
\$15,880.14	\$0.00	\$70.00	\$15,810.14



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7. **Any Communication to be Read:**
 - National Memo on Reinstated Life Members
 - Request for donations to the National Disaster Relief fund
 - New branding package out new design of VFW logo & tagline

8. **Reading of Post Commanders Activity Reports: (On file)**
 - **9876 Pattaya**, Commander Manny Guarnuccio reported
 - **9951 Bangkok**: Commander Randy Riggs reported
 - **10217 Korat**: Commander Phil Jones reported
 - **10249 Udon Thani**: Commander Al Fitchett reported
 - **11575 Phnom Penh**: Commander Roy Day **NO REPORT**
 - **12074 Chiang Mai**: Commander Alan Gariano reported
 - **12146 Ban Chang**: Comrade Jack Farrell reported
 - **12163 MT Hawthorn** Commander James Maughmer **NO REPORT**

9. **Report of Committees: (On file)**
 - **Service Officer Report:** Comrade Larry Williams briefed about types of VA Claims and Adjudications, District also provide the latest S.O. Guide to all post service officers.
 - **Community Services & Buddy Poppy** –Reminder that posts need to report purchase and distribution via the CSR's
 - **Membership** – Congratulations to Post 12146 on being awarded a \$400 stipend for 100% plus 10 in membership
 - **Surgeon** Comrade Farrell briefed about the flu season and getting your Flu shots.
 - **VOD/PP/TA** Comrade Holub Thanks to all posts on the great support.
 - Sienna Bartamini will be submitted as our contestant from District 5
 - **POW/MIA** Comrade J. Maughmer **NO REPORT**
 - **Bylaws Committee Report** Comrade Kershaw tasked to review changes to the new VFW MOP, By-Laws and Rituals and report at the next District meeting.
 - **Inspectors Report:** Comrade Friend 6 of the 8 posts have been inspected and the remaining two posts will be completed next month.
 - **Cooties** SS F. Berg – Reported the Cooties had a Lousy Scratch and we are always looking for new coot's

10. **10:30 Officer of the day temporally retired colors:** 15-minute comfort break
 - VOD Audio played for this year's contestant. Very impressive, good chance of being selected to represent department.



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11. 10:40 Recall to order by District Cmdr.

12. Comrade or the family of a Comrade in Distress:

- Lee Wilhite, Post 10249 In-Out of hospital with a stroke
- PDPA Commander Shawn Watson undergoing cancer treatment
- Paul Lubin, Post 10217 in the hospital on life support
- FYI and use TAPS report is available on the D5 website under the minutes tab. Be sure to submit to both the district and department chaplain.

13. Reading of Bills:

- Post 9876 One Memorial Wreath 800 Thai Baht (Paid by QM Holub)

14. Unfinished Business

- For all concerned: Comrade Larry Williams was installed as D5 JVC, by PDC Ken Stein at the regular meeting of Post 12146 on 8 September 2018.
- Tabled motion to provide a donation to the Mission Hospital Charity. Motion was withdrawn.

15. New Business:

- ❖ Comrade Holub was selected as our judge for VOD and PP scholarship awards.
- ❖ Comrade Stein made a motion to purchase a plaque for Dr. Nick not to exceed 10,000 THB to show our appreciation for all the work he has done and continues to do for our veterans. Second by Comrade Jones, motion carried. (Plaque will be presented at this years Christmas Party sponsored by post 9951)
- ❖ Comrade Reece reported that the Bangkok War Veterans Organization of Thailand would like to meet with the VFW National delegation when they come to Thailand to discuss benefit and health care issues for Thai Veterans. DPA Commander M. Verville is OPR and will look into this request.
- ❖ Commander Marohl briefed on the new changes to Section 416 of the National By-Laws. After discussion it was decided that no changes are needed and we will continue to follow our District By-Laws.
- ❖ Comrade Holub made a motion to use the \$200 from the D5 VOD/PP budget as an award to the District 5 participants; motion seconded by Comrade Farrell, motion carried.

16. Good of the Order:

- Department C or A in the Philippines 7-9 December 2018, registration on the DPA website closes 1 Dec 2018 @ 9 members from D5 have registered.
- Happy Veterans Day & have a safe and Happy Holiday Season.



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- DPA Commander's comments – DPA Comm. Verville stated that if any one wants to contact him, he is available on Facebook and by Phone. Commander Verville and D5 Commander Marohl commended ADSO Williams for the great work he has done since taking over helping numerous Veterans and widows and following up on claims with adjudication turn around times unseen in the District in 10 years or longer. Commander Verville went on to say that the DPA is #2 in the Nation and all Posts should work together and help not challenge each other, he went on to say that their should not be any Post with just 1 recruiter, he challenges every Commander to recruit Veterans as he challenges every VFW member. Commander Verville went on to add, leave your petty jealousy at home, there is no room for it at VFW meetings. Commander Verville wrapped reminding everyone to report their hospital visits as well as visits to Veterans that are shut in.
- D5 Commander Marohl reminded everyone that the next D5 meeting will be 18-19 January 2019 in Udorn hosted by Post 10249, he added that the Udorn wives group will be setting up a van to travel to Nong Khai for those that wish to go during our meeting, please provide feedback by January5 so the necessary arrangements can be made.
- The 50/50 raffle was held by 10217 with Comrade Cooperman winning 7000 Baht of the total 14,000 Baht, Comrade Cooperman donated the winnings to the host Post for their charity

17. Closing Ceremony:

The meeting was closed by CDR Marohl IAW VFW ritual at 12:00.

The next meeting of District 5;

Udorn, Post 10249 hosting, scheduled 18 - 19 January 2019.

Chiang Mai, Post 12074 hosting, scheduled 19 – 20 April 2019

For the Commander:

-:Signed:-
Michael Copperman
Adjutant, District V




Delbert N. Marohl
Commander