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NEXT MEETING Wed February 15 at 7:30 PM

DOORS OPEN on Hartz Ave at 7:00 PM

**Veteran's Memorial Building - 2nd floor
400 Hartz Ave. Danville, CA**

MINUTES: January 18, 2017

The meeting was opened at 19:38 by Ernie Petagara. Ernie P. led the flag salute and pledge of allegiance. As Hugh is still recovering, Lee led the opening prayer.

All Post 75 all officers were present except: Rob Crooker. Also present was new member Brian McNutt who served in Afghanistan with the Army.

There was a review of meeting minutes from November, 2016. Hank G. made the motion to accept the meeting minutes and it was seconded by Patrick L.

QUARTERMASTER REPORT:

Quartermaster presented report for November, 2016: starting balance was \$8,353.87 - Receipts totaled \$3,234.00: \$21.00 from Nat'l. dues and \$3,213.00 from Poppy donations. Expenses totaled \$319.00: \$219.00 to Anderson shirts, and \$100.00 to CCC Navy League Dinner sponsorship. Ending Balance \$11,268.87.

Quartermaster also presented report for December, 2016: starting balance was \$11,268.87 - Receipts were \$7.00 from Nat'l. dues and \$1,240.00 from dinner reservations. Expenses totaled \$2,987.49: USPS P.O. box rental of \$124.00; \$100.00 for Abigail Hasselbrink VOD 1st. \$75.00 for Kyler Wisnor VOD 2nd. \$50.00 for Kathy Shi VOD 3rd.; \$100.00 for Sabrina Brandeis PP 1st.; \$75.00 for Sydney Brandeis, PP 2nd. And \$50.00 for Bryce Wijesekara, PP 3rd. \$2,403.49 for

Crow Canyon CC Dinner. Ending balance for December was \$9,528.38

A motion was made by Hank G. and seconded by Patrick L. to accept the Quartermaster's Report and Quarterly Audit.

A motion was made by Patrick and seconded by Mac to approve checks for QM reimbursement and Tax Return expenses.

SERVICE OFFICERS REPORT

Mac reported that Norm Robertson is not doing well – broke his hip and cancer. John Reese continues to recover from recent bout with epiglottitis. Hugh Keith is still on the mend.

COMMUNICATIONS

Sentinels Gala Fundraiser will be March 11th. John Reese spoke of support needed for the Viet Nam Helicopter Museum seeking rights to occupy space at Concord Airfield. Chris and Mike have run into problems gaining approval from the Contra Costa Board which operates the airfield. Brian McNutt agreed to prepare a letter for vets to send to elected officials supporting the request. Ron H. made motion to accept and was seconded by Patrick L.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Ron H. mentioned the Patriot's Pen Award Scholarships and awardees.

Mike R. said the Crab feed auction items are now ready and still looking for a few volunteers for dinner preparation on Saturday, 1/21.

PRAYER FOR THE NATIONAL HOME

Lee H. conducted.

OLD BUSINESS

John Reese said there will be an "Audie Murphy" Presentation & Dinner/Show on November 14th – tickets are available.

NEW BUSINESS

Ron H. secured approval from Lunardi's for Poppy Donation table during Memorial Day and Veterans' Day weekends. We will have the

"sign-up" sheet for volunteers at the April meeting.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Hank G. indicated the 4th of July float will need to replace a damaged panel.

CLOSING PRAYER

Lee conducted.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Commander Petagara at 20:45.

ATTENTION VFW MEMBERS

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