

Vietnam Veterans Association  
Gold Vault Chapter 1051  
Minutes of the Meeting  
Of  
12 November 2017

**CALL TO ORDER:** President David Cowherd called the meeting to order at 1400 hours at the Elizabethtown Police Department Training Room. A quorum was present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER:** George Dillie led a prayer for the meeting and the membership. Secretary Lowe followed by leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS:** David Cowherd recognized Jack Mattingly, VVA Kentucky State Council President, as being in attendance.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** Minutes of the meeting of 8 October 2017 were reviewed and approved as presented upon a motion by Dave Jarrett with a second by James Jefferies.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Gilbert Richardson reported the account status. George Dillie moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Second by CT Christie. Motion passed.

**GUEST SPEAKERS:** Jack Mattingly made a presentation on the future of VVA. The current organization will probably remain the same for the next 8 to 10 years.

**OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

George Dillie reported that our meetings would continue to be on Sunday afternoons at the Elizabethtown Police Department Training Room. He also stated that certificates from our chapter are available from our chapter for any veteran.

Robert Griffin gave an account of the ceremony naming the new Veteran's Home after Master Chief Carl Brashear.

Sally Johns said that Farm Day will be held on Tuesday, 14 November. There will be a free breakfast and lunch provided during the event.

Service Officers indicated that prescriptions can be obtained quicker through the RAMPS system.

Denzil Lile reported that veterans can now order items through the PX on line website.

Dave Jarrett stated that COPD and Bladder Cancer may soon be added to the list of presumptive diseases linked to Agent Orange.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Chapter Christmas Dinner will be held on 14 December at the Golden Corral.

Marj Graves will be the guest speaker at the November Allegro breakfast. Reservations are required.

The DAR is honoring veterans at a ceremony at the Brown-Pusey House on 17 November at 1100. Reservations are required for that ceremony.

A discount for veterans is offered at Kentucky State Parks. 100% disabled vets may be eligible for free stays at the parks depending upon availability. Check their website for further information.

Road signs honoring fallen Vietnam veterans will cost \$100 each. The signs are 2 feet by 3 feet. Dave Jerrell advised that the DAV would be willing to split the costs for any signs purchased. CT Christie made a motion that we split the cost with the DAV. Wayne Ray seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Bill Wooldridge made a motion that the chapter donate \$200 to the Wreath's Across America project. Motion seconded by Robert Griffin. Motion passed.

Bill Wooldridge and Robert Griffin also made a motion and seconded it to donate \$200 to Cindy Stonebreaker for an upcoming trip to Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia with the POW/MIA League of Families.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS: None**

**HEALTH AND WELFARE: None**

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be on 14 December 2017 at the at the Christmas Dinner at 1800 hours. This will be an abbreviated meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn was made by Bill Wooldridge and seconded by CT Christie. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1530 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Lowe  
Secretary