

Vietnam Veterans of America
Conference of State Council Presidents
October 04, 2012
Silver Spring, MD
Pre-Approved Minutes

Meeting of the Conference of State Council Presidents was called to order by Chair Charlie Montgomery at 9:00 am on Thursday, October 04, 2012.

Opening service conducted with Wayne Reynolds leading the Invocation..

Roll Call of States: The states represented at the meeting totaled 41 of 47; a quorum was met. SF180's were collected from new state presidents as needed. The following States were present:

ALABAMA	MASSACHUSETTS	OKLAHOMA
ALASKA	MICHIGAN	OREGON
ARIZONA	MINNESOTA	PENNSYLVANIA
ARKANSAS	MISSISSIPPI	RHODE ISLAND
CALIFORNIA	MISSOURI	SOUTH CAROLINA
CONNECTICUT	MONTANA	SOUTH DAKOTA
FLORIDA	NEBRASKA	TENNESSEE
GEORGIA	NEVADA	TEXAS
IDAHO	NEW JERSEY	VERMONT
IOWA	NEW MEXICO	VIRGINIA
KANSAS	NEW YORK	WASHINGTON
KENTUCKY	NORTH CAROLINA	WEST VIRGINIA
LOUISIANA	NORTH DAKOTA	WISCONSIN
MARYLAND	OHIO	

Officers present were:

Chair:	Charlie Montgomery - Virginia
1 st Vice Chair	Tom Burke - Ohio
Secretary:	Avery Taylor – South Carolina

Housekeeping:

Charlie Montgomery assigned Michael Swift as Parliamentarian.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The minutes of April 18, 2012, were accepted without change.

Announcements:

Joe Sternberg announced that Household Goods Paperwork was still needed from several states and requested they be dropped off at the office this week.

Welcome by National Officers:

Each of the National officers gave a brief report of who they were and what they do. This was primarily for the benefit of the many new state presidents present.

Nancy Switzer (AVVA President) made her presentation later in the session, following the Government Affairs committee report.

Wes Guidry & Eileen Mitchell gave a report on plans for the winter CSCP meeting. Jan 3 is travel day, meeting runs Jan 4 through noon Jan 5. Plans are being formed to have a bus tour of St. Augustine on Saturday afternoon for those interested at a cost of about \$36. More will follow. A straw poll indicated there were 22 definite and 22 maybes so far.

Reports:

Sara McVicker delivered the findings of the Suspension Workgroup. CSCP discussion resulted in several of the recommendations being removed and some other minor changes before the report is presented to the BOD.

Bill Meeks reported on the status of suspensions for no financial reporting. Those few chapters who have not filed for two years will have charges filed and will have their charters revoked.

CSCP Reports:

By-laws: Darrel Martin reported out **Motion 1012001: Eligibility requirement change to hold CSCP elected office.** Motion amended by adding the word “full” after “second” to read “...is currently serving their second **full** or...”

Motion passed (> 2/3)

Government Affairs: Rick Davidge warned that an aggressive agenda is being planned by Congress for the lame duck session and that we need to be vigilant and responsive to legislation that might be adverse to our agenda.

Elections Committee: Dave Simmons presented the slate of nominees for CSCP office. The floor was opened for additional nominees. No others were presented so the nominations were closed. The secretary cast one vote for each candidate in accordance with parliamentary procedure.

The new officers were sworn in by President John Rowan.

Chair: Charlie Montgomery (VA)

1st Vice Chair: Dottie Barickman (NE)

2nd Vice Chair: Darrel Martin (KY)

Secretary: Avery Taylor (SC)

The CSCP meeting was adjourned by chairman Montgomery at 4:00.

A new session of the CSCP meeting was opened by chairman Montgomery at 4:01.

Mr. Montgomery requested ideas for the Winter meeting sessions. Extended presentation on the Faces of Agent Orange was requested. Other ideas should be submitted via email.

There being no further business, Meeting was recessed at 4:25 until adjournment of the BOD meeting, which was at 3:25, October 6.

Respectfully submitted,

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CSCP Secretary