



Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Colorado
Meeting Minutes
Detachment Executive Committee
April 8, 2021

Salute: Commander Nick Arceo

Opening Prayer: Harry Ciruli

POW/MIA Ceremony: Commander Nick Arceo

Blue Star Banner: Commander Nick Arceo

Pledge of Allegiance: Ken Yanke

Preamble: Commander Nick Arceo

Meeting called to order at: 7:07 PM

Roll Call of Officers:

NEC/Adjutant	Scott Garrett (23)	
Alt NEC	Ken Yanke (111)	
Commander	Nick Arceo (103)	
Sr. Vice Commander	Robert Jones (28)	
Jr. Vice Commander	Walter Weld (1)	
Jr. Vice Commander	Steve Kidd (1985)	Absent
Jr. Vice Commander	Jim Gaddis (211)	
Finance	Jim Gelwicks (54)	
Asst Finance	Rick Baldessari (21)	Absent
Chaplain	Harry Ciruli (103)	
Historian	vacant	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Teddy Kuntz (1985)	Absent
Sgt-at-Arms Emeritus	Ken Wederski (23)	
Judge Advocate	Richard Humphrey (23)	Absent
Detachment Advisor	Richard Humphrey (23)	Absent
Voting PDC	Mike Moss (21)	
Voting PDC	Mike Kirschner (2)	Excused

Roll Call - Past Detachment Commanders Present

Jim Gelwicks	Ken Yanke	Pete Sierminski
Scott Garrett	Mike Moss	Jim Gaddis

Roll Call – Squadrons Present

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Distinguished Guests: National Vice Commander Midwest Chris Cook, Past National Commanders Mike Moss, Danny Smith, Past National Vice Commanders Pete Sierminski (PNASAA), Jim Gelwicks, Ken Yanke.

Introduction of National Vice Commander Chris Cook: NEC Scott Garrett

NVC Chris Cook gave kudos for our handling of membership and donations during this year of social distancing.

Reading of Minutes: Motion to accept February 11, 2021 Minutes as written. 1st Mike Wescott, 2nd Scott Hastie. Passed.

Correspondence: None

Vice Commander Reports:

Sr Vice Comm Robert Jones: Cortez membership has been sent to Dept HQ. Revised target dates have been sent out. No response coming from Greeley #18. Need to recontact Canon City #13.

Jr Vice Comm Walter Weld: No report

Jr Vice Comm Steve Kidd: Absent, no report

Jr Vice Comm Jim Gaddis: No report

Committee Reports:

Membership: 2022 cards will go to printer on May 12. 2021 cards need to be sent to National before then in order to maintain continuous years.

Permanent Membership Jim Gelwicks:

There are 200 Permanent Members.

Transfer from Permanent Membership account to cover national dues and unrestricted budget amount will take place after Vanguard distribution at the end of June.

Finance Committee Jim Gelwicks:

The current 2021 budget revenue is \$13,696. Remaining budgeted 2021 dues revenue is <\$4,329>. (619 more members needed for budget revenue.)

From Detachment Adjutant's over one year expired credits/debits, \$287 will be donated to the Detachment Commander's project: CWF.

FYI Donor Designated Funds include:

\$ 154.84 Jr Shooting

Restricted Asset designated as “Release July 1” is surplus from 2019 and 2020. Distribution of (\$9,800) funds is by Detachment Convention vote.

Detachment per diem for attending NEC, if held, is \$645.

2021 line items Not Expended:

8360 Mid Year	\$200
9912 Host Squadron – CWF	\$400

Americanism:

JR Shooting: Ken Taylor reported that Sqd’s #209 & #2008 have each started a new class with six students.

Oratorical: Commander Arceo reported that entrants submitted videos for judging. The four finalists were judged in person at Post #1. Results are:

1st place, Paige Kast, post 1187 Castle Rock
2nd place, Nathan Tamkin, post 1 Denver
3rd place, Jessica Eyeson, post 58 Broomfield
4th place, Stuart Gillman, post 1 Denver

Boys State: Names have been submitted and applications are being processed. The program will take place at Hotel Elegante about mid July. Sqd #111 reported a \$500.00 donation. Sqd #209 is sending one boy and one girl to Boys and Girls State respectively.

Baseball: Details are sketchy, but CALB will be happening this summer. Colorado is hosting the All-Star Game.

Children & Youth Pete Sierminski: Colorado is currently \$16,975.00 (\$5.87 per capita) and National is at \$102,779.00. Sqd #15 sent \$1,300.00 to Detachment and Sqd #111 has \$2,000.00 to send which puts us over \$20,000.00.

Legislative: Vacant, no report.

Public Relations: Vacant, no report.

VA & R: Comm Nick reported that volunteers are back in action at Aurora VA hospital.

Detachment Advisor Richard Humphrey: Absent, no report.

NEC Scott Garrett: Spring NEC will take place April 24 via Zoom.

Motion to accept reports. 1st Ken Yanke. 2nd Keith LaMee. Passed.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) 2021-2022 Officer Update
 - a. Robert Jones will move up to Commander
 - b. Walter Weld will move up to Sr Vice Comm.
 - c. Mike Wescott to run for Jr Vice Comm
 - d. Nick Arceo to run for ANEC
 - e. Scott Garrett wishes to step down from Adjutant.
- 2) Trailer registration is being handled by Comm Nick. Detachment will write a check to DMV.

New Business:

- 1) 2021 Awards Banquet. Comm Nick to contact Sqd #1985 for first right of refusal and will be voted on at June Convention along with 2022 CWF Banquet.
- 2) Squadron packets will be mailed as soon as 4-part CSR's are received.
- 3) Motion to reallocate monies from Mid-Year & CWF Banquet to CWF Fund (\$600.00). 1st Jim Gelwicks. 2nd Pete Sierminski. Passed.
- 4) Online dues payment. We will have to coordinate with Dept to ensure we receive our money.
- 5) MySAL.org. New platform has serious issues. Direct contact info to IT was given.

Special Presentations: None

Good of the Sons: Comm Nick reminded everyone of the monthly conference calls.

Next meeting will be (Pre-Convention) Friday, June 25, 1:30 PM, and Saturday, June 26, 9:00 AM, Hotel Elegante , 2886 S. Circle Dr, Colorado Springs, CO.

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Harry Ciruli

Closing – Commander Nick Arceo

Salute

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.

