



Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Colorado
Meeting Agenda
Colorado State Convention
Detachment Executive Committee
June 26, 2021

Posting of Colors

Opening Prayer – Chaplain Harry Ciruli

POW/MIA Ceremony - Commander Nick Arceo

Resolution 288, adopted at the 67<sup>th</sup> National Convention of The American Legion and resolution NC 2094 adopted at the 23<sup>rd</sup> National Convention of the Sons of The American Legion, calls for designating a POW/MIA Empty Chair at all official meetings of the Sons of The American Legion, as a physical symbol of the thousands of American POW/MIA's still unaccounted for from all wars and conflicts involving the United States of America. This is a reminder for all of us to spare no effort to secure the release of any American prisoners from captivity, the repatriation of the remains of those who died bravely in defense of liberty, and a full accounting of those missing. Let us rededicate ourselves to this vital endeavor. The SGT-at-Arms will place the POW/MIA banner on the empty chair.

Blue Star Banner Ceremony - Commander Nick Arceo

Resolution NC 2-03, adopted at the 32<sup>nd</sup> National Convention, Sons of The American Legion calls for the display of a Blue Star Banner at all meetings of the Sons of The American Legion as a physical symbol of our support for all the military personnel serving this great country. Let us never forget that every day these individuals are protecting our liberty. Accordingly the Blue Star Service Banner is in place.

Pledge, led by
"I Pledge Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America And to The Republic For Which it Stands, One Nation Under God, Indivisible, With Liberty And Justice For All."
Recitation of Preamble, led by

Proud Possessors of a Priceless Heritage, We Male Descendants of Veterans of all wars, Associate Ourselves Together as "Sons of The American Legion" for the Following Purposes: To Uphold and Defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to Maintain Law and Order; to Foster and Perpetuate a True Spirit of Americanism; to Preserve the Memories of Our Former Members and the Association of Our Members and Our Forefathers in all wars; to Inculcate a Sense of Individual Obligation to the Community, State, and Nation; to Combat the Autocracy of Both the Classes and the Masses; to Make Right the Master of Might; to Promote Peace and Good Will on Earth; to Safeguard and Transmit to Posterity the Principles of Justice, Freedom and Democracy; to Consecrate and Sanctify Our Friendship by Our Devotion to Mutual Helpfulness; to Adopt in Letter and Spirit All of the Great Principles for Which The American Legion Stands; and to Assist in Carrying on for God and Country."

Meeting called to order on June 26, 2021 at: \_\_\_\_\_ AM

### **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)
Jr. Vice Commander	Jim Gaddis (211)
Finance	Jim Gelwicks (54)
Asst Finance	Rick Baldessari (21)
Chaplain	Harry Ciruli (103)
Historian	vacant

Teddy Kuntz (1985) Sergeant-at-Arms Sergeant-at-Arms Emeritus Ken Wederski (23) Judge Advocate Richard Humphrey (23) **Detachment Advisor** Richard Humphrey (23)

Voting PDC Mike Moss (21) Voting PDC Mike Kirschner (2)

#### **Roll Call - Past Detachment Commanders Present:**

Lionel Sandoval		John Herath			Gary Ray		Ben D. Owens III		
Ernie Cl	Ernie Clark Michael Moss			Ken Yanke		Rick Baldessari			
Steve K	idd		Jim Gelwicks			Mark Kilstrom		Shawn McCrary	
Pete Sierminski Scott Garrett			Mike Kirschner		J.R. Kent				
Jim Gaddis		Ron Noakes							
Roll Call – Squadrons:									
1	2	4	5	10	13	15	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	26	28	32	38	39
54	55	58	62	65	66	70	73	75	77
81	87	89	94	97	100	101	102	103	111
113	115	119	151	160	161	170	178	180	193
200	204	206	207	209	211	11-11	1976	1985	1992
2000	2001	2008							

<u>Distinguished Guests:</u> National Vice Commander Midwest Chris Cook, Past National Vice Commanders Jim Gelwicks, Rick Baldessari (PN Chaplain), Pete Sierminski (PN ASAA), Ken Yanke, Past National SGT-at-Arms Mike Kirschner, , Past National Historian Mark Kilstrom, Past Dept. Commanders Richard Humphrey, Doug Wooddell

Reading of Minutes: Adjutant Scott Garrett

**Guests:** NEC Scott Garrett to introduce NVC MW Chris Cook

## **Appoint Convention Committees:**

Credentials
Constitutional Amendments
Resolutions
Membership
Legislation and Rules

## **Break to Convention Committees**

## **Convention Committee Reports**

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### **Unfinished Business:**

Nominations for Office

- a. Previously Announced
  - i. Robert Jones Commander
  - ii. Walter Weld Sr Vice Commander
  - iii. Mike Wescott Jr Vice Commander
  - iv. Nick Arceo Alternate NEC

## Final Credentials Report (following recess)

## **Resolutions**

# **New Business:**

- 1. Elections
  - a. Appointment of Election Judge
  - b. Additional Nominations
    - i. Officers

- ii. Member of The Year
- iii. Detachment Mom
- iv. Dual Member of the Year
- c. Site Selection for 2021 Awards Banquet 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in November
- d. Site Selection for 2022 CWF Banquet 1st Sunday in April
- e. Disposition of the 2019 & 2020 Budget Surplus
- f. Selection of Delegates for the 2021 National Convention (finalize)
- g. Stipend Distribution for Convention
- 2. Appointment of Officers for 2021-2022 by incoming Commander
  - a. Adjutant
  - b. Finance Officer
  - c. Historian
  - d. Assistant Adjutant
  - e. Assistant Finance Officer
  - f. Assistant Sergeant At Arms
- 3. Committee Chairmen Appointments for 2021-2022 by incoming Commander
  - a. Membership
    - i. Automatic Appointments
      - 1. Sr Vice Commander (Chairman)
  - b. Finance
    - i. Automatic Appointments
      - 1. Detachment Finance Officer (Chairman)
      - 2. Detachment Adjutant
      - 3. Detachment Sr Vice Commander
      - 4. Department Finance Officer
  - c. Permanent Membership
    - i. Automatic Appointments
      - 1. Detachment Finance Officer (Chairman)
      - 2. Detachment Adjutant
      - 3. Membership Chairman
      - 4. Detachment Advisor (no vote)
  - d. VA&R
  - e. Americanism
  - f. Children and Youth
  - g. Legislative
  - h. Public Relations
  - i. Judge Advocate
  - i. Detachment Advisor
- 4. Charles B Rigby Award VA & R Volunteer

### **Special Presentations:**

### **Good of the Sons:**

Next Meeting will be (as determined by incoming Commander)

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Harry Ciruli

**Closing - Commander Nick Arceo** 

"Till We Meet Again Let Us Remember That Our Obligation to Our Country Can Only Be Fulfilled by the Faithful Performance of All Duties of Citizenship. Let Service to the City, State, and Nation Be Ever a Main Objective of the Sons of the American Legion. Let Us Ever Be Watchful of the Honor of Our Country, the American Legion, Our Organization and Ourselves, That Nothing Shall Swerve Us from the Path of Justice, Freedom, Loyalty and Democracy."

**Retirement of the Colors:** The SGT-at-Arms will retrieve the POW/MIA banner from the empty chair.

**Adjournment -** Commander Nick Arceo

Salute: "I	Now Declare	this Meeting of th	e Executive Comr	nittee, Detachme	nt of Colorado
Sons of Th	e American L	egion, Adjourned.			
Meeting ad	ljourned at	PM.			