

DEC Conference Call 8/9/20

Roll Call by MC:

Commander Dave Hendee (DH)

NEC PNVC John Waite (JW)

Sr. Vice Commander Jeremy Revell (JR)

Adjutant Marc Colety (MC)

N. Area Commander Brian Massey (BM)

Finance Officer Norm Scolaro (NS)

Chaplain PDC Steve England (SE)

District Commander Mike Felber (MF)

County Commander Elwood Bourne (EB)

SAL Advisor Bruce Paquin (BP)

Start 7:05 PM - A quorum was announced.

DH:

- Introduced newly appointed SAL Advisor BP
- Reminder of Adjutant Training April 10, 2021 9:00 AM Post 31; ~25 spots left.
- Reminder of Zoom Meeting March 20, 2021 9:00 AM, JW to send logon information later this week.

MC:

- Requested all other committee reports to be submitted by Friday if committee members wish to have them distributed in advance of the DEC meeting when MC distributes the budget.
- Asked if we should send out a notice about presenting committee reports, as it was not specified on the Call to Order distributed on March 3, 2021. MC will send a separate email to committee chairs.

BP:

- Stated he had already spoken with DH, JR and JW to get the lay of the land. Advised the team he has 37 years of experience with the American Legion. Stated Cathy Tester had asked him to take on this role for next year before the announcement of the change this year. BP stated he had worked with JW and PDC Harold Trombley (HT) before

JR:

- Talked about membership status, now at 65%, hoping for a bounce with some posts opening up again under their restaurant licenses. Stated there had been an upswing in officer contact lately on membership. Said he had received pictures on Arlington and Waterbury membership drives and asked if we could get that into the next newsletter.
- JR confirmed convention dates to be 25th and 26th, 2021.

BM

- Northern membership improving; D1 at 57%, but D2 is at 78% and D3 is at 69%.
- Discussed how the recent oratorical competition went, the challenges of the venue and the results. Represented at the finals were BM and NS from the S.A.L.
- BM reported in the paint and sip fund-raiser for oratorical which was in the last newsletter.

JW

- Talked about the agenda for the DEC meeting next weekend including any committee reports that are ready for presentation.
- Reported Chester opened last week part time and quickly picked up 18 S.A.L. renewals with the building being open again for eating with lounge support.

MF

- Talked about CWF: Vermont donations at \$1,500 39.6% of \$3,791 goal. MC reported that S69 just released \$250 for CWF against its current 34 members.

SE

- SE reviewed sick call and relief. SE also reported BM, SE and Lucas Herring (LH) were at Lyndon 30 last week to work with their team on some changes going on in Lyndon.

Next conference call is scheduled for:

April 11th, 2021 @ 7:00 PM - (425) 436-6260 - Access # 1904710

Respectfully submitted: Marc Colety - Adjutant

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