

SOUTHERN ARIZONA VETERANS MEMORIAL CEMETERY FOUNDATION

1300 Buffalo Soldier Trail Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635 Web Site: www.savmcf.org

Friday, March 1, 2012 Monthly Business Meeting VFW Hall – 0900-1030

Welcome – Ingrid Baillie

Invocation - None

Pledge - All Members

Officers' Roll -

President – Tom Dingwall (AMVETS) Excused/Absent

Vice President – Ingrid Baillie (DAR)

Present

Secretary – Conny DeSpain (BPOE, Benson) Present

Treasurer Emeritus – Earl Devine (MOAA) Excused/Absent

Treasurer – Ron DeSpain (VFW) Present

SAVMC Coordinator: Ingrid Baillie (DAR)

Present

SAVMC Administrator: Joe Larson (AZDVS)

Present

Member Organizations Roll - Conny DeSpain

Air Force Assoc. CHAPTER 107 Present

American Legion Post 24, Tombstone Excused/Absent

American Legion Post #52 Present
American Veterans (AMVETS) Post 89 Present

BPOE Lodge #2065 Sierra Vista Excused/Absent

BPOE Lodge #2853 Benson Present
Ladies & Gentlemen of the Cemetery Present

Marine Corps League, Wild West Det #1152 Tombstone Excused/Absent

Military Order of the Cooties Pup Tent #13 Present
Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 572 Present

MOAA Coronado Chapter Excused/Absent

USAWOA Arizona Silver Chapter #203

VFW Post #10342 Huachuca

VFW Post #6271Benson

VFW Post #9972

AL 40 & 8 Volture 987

Present

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Committee Members Roll Call: Wreaths Across America Present

VFW Riders Post 9972 Sierra Vista Present
Chapel Planning Present

Reports of Officers:

President's Report - None

Vice President - None

Secretary - None

Treasurer – January, 2011 Treasurer report approved as presented subject to Audit done by Leo Pimple and Tom

Wisniewski. Leo Pimple presented Ron DeSpain, Treasurer with the approved Audit letter.

Reports of Foundation Committees:

Joe Larson reported on ongoing projects

Michael Jones: 2000 crosses 20 Star of David Memorial display project/Memorial Day 20, 2012 Scott Greggory: Assembly area cactus island & honor pad extension/to be completed in Spring

Porter Bramwill Giant Cactus island behind Assembly area/to be completed in Spring

Jake Daines Paver's around the memorial walk into a circle of benches

Mark Egan Project to be set up by Joe

Jenny Lovorn Girl Scouts-landscape around the kiosk area

Micheal Collins Project to be set up by Joe

Chapel Committee member Leo Pimple reported on the last two meetings they had.1st meeting was a organizational meeting. Second meeting was on February 28, 2012. The chapel site location was selected. The location will be approximately 100 yards north of the Committal Shelter near the Memorial Walk way. Mike Rutherford will research cost using different building materials. He will provide a couple of design concepts with cost estimates. He will check with the City of Sierra Vista regarding "Sprinkler" and any code requirements. Leo Pimple would like to set a date to dedicate the site and place signage there. The committee discussed fund raising and agreed it would be a good idea to wait for Mike Rutherford's approximate cost estimate before engaging in any activities. Leo Pimple made a motion to take \$10,000 from the Carillon Account and open a Chapel Account Tom Taggert second. Approved and passed.

Old Business: Joe reported on the Kiosk educational system for the Kiosk to be completed by end of March. Two displays are already put up and the 3rd to go up soon. Expansion happening now 4 years out to apply for Grants and will visit in 6 years to apply. Four more columbariums and 600 sites south side of road to be done. Will be curbing at exiting site to help with run off. On the modular the National Guard took all that was available. Joe will still try to get one. The Cemetery received a Grant of \$170,000 for a solar system for the Cemetery will cut down cost of electricity.

New Business: Leo Pimple made a motion for the Foundation to waive the VFW's yearly dues due to their generosity of letting us use the VFW for our meetings and Bob Herne second, was approved. Leo Pimple also suggested that the Foundation buy a recorder for Conny DeSpain for her minutes. Conny declined she already has one. Leo Pimple brought up about Jim Kuriger had offered to pay for a wrought iron sign for the Kiosk. Jim got a round of applause.

Good for the Order: None

Meeting Adjourned

Next Business Meeting: April 6, 2012 VFW – Hall 0900 - 1030

Respectfully Submitted:

Tom Dingwall Conny DeSpain President Secretary