

The American Legion, Department of Washington
Special Department Executive Committee Meeting
Lacey, Washington – October 9th, 2018

The American Legion Department of Washington Special Executive Committee meeting was called to order by the Department Commander Gary Roach on October 9th, 2018 at Department Headquarters in Lacey, Washington. The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm and opened in due form and according to ritual.

Department Adjutant Leo Gruba conducted the Roll Call at the request of the Department Commander. The following members were present and constituted a quorum to conduct business.

Department Commander Gary Roach; Department Vice-Commander Area I Carrol Stripling; Department Vice-Commander Area II Kenneth Christian; Junior Past Department Commander Wayne Elston; National Executive Committeeman Ken Lee; Chaplain Chris Kunhert; Sgt-At-Arms Larry McCarthy; 1st District Commander Jordan Houghton; 3rd District Commander John Kent; 4th District Commander Frank Sterling; 5th District Commander Kevin Russell; 6th District Commander Dale Spurlock; 8th District Commander Matthew Jackson; 9th District Commander Chris Brock; 11th District Commander Jackie Goo.

Non-voting members present: Department Adjutant Leo Gruba; Department Service Officer Theresa Williams; Finance Officer Bill Powell.

Excused Absence: Department Vice-Commander Area III Denny Pittman; Department Vice-Commander Area IV Bob Bradford; Alternate National Executive Committeeman Dale Davis; 2nd District Commander Perry Mendenhall; 7th District Commander Dave Jacobs; 10th District Commander Richard Wallace.

Commander Roach recognized 10th District Vice Commander Bob Clark to be seated in the absence of the Commander for the duration of the meeting.

(Attachment A)

New Business:

1. Conduct an inquiry into the argument involving our Department Adjutant, Membership Clerk and Junior Past Commander at the National Convention in a public venue.

5th District Commander Kevin Russell motioned to move into Executive Session. 8th District Commander Matt Jackson second. Discussion. Motion failed.

Discussion regarding item one was had.

8th District Commander Matt Jackson moved to close item one as resolved and no longer be discussed by this body. 1st District Commander Jordan Houghton second. Discussion. Motion carried.

2. Conduct an inquiry into the email sent by Commander Roach to NEC Ken Lee and the response by NEC Ken Lee regarding National Convention.

Discussion regarding item two was had.

National Executive Committeeman Ken Lee moved to close this issue and moved past it. 5th District Commander Kevin Russell seconded. Discussion. 9th District Commander Chris Brock moved to amend anytime in the future a Department Executive Committee member is restricted from contacting Department that the remaining Department Executive Committee shall be notified. 5th District Commander Kevin Russell second. Discussion. Dale Spurlock called for the question. Motion carried as amended

1st District Commander Jordan Houghton motioned if any member in good standing within the Department of Washington is restricted from contacting or entering Department Headquarters the Department Headquarters shall be notified of that members restriction. Department Vice Commander Area II Ken Christian second. Motion carried.

3. Conduct an inquiry into the Commander's Line Item with regards to any Past Commander receiving a remaining balance pay out at the end of their term.

9th District Commander Chris Brock motioned to enter Executive Session. Department Vice Commander Area I Carrol Stripling second. Motion carried.

At 2:30pm, the Executive Committee entered Executive Session.

1st District Commander Jordan Houghton moved to come out of Executive Session. 9th District Commander Chris Brock second. Motion carried.

At 2:42pm, the Executive Committee exited Executive Session.

1st District Commander Jordan Houghton moved to close item three and move forward to not be discussed by this body again. 11th District Commander Jackie Goo second. Discussion. Motion carried.

4. Conduct an inquiry into bonus payments to Department employee's to determine if proper procedure was followed and notifications were made to members of the Department Executive Committee. This inquiry likely encompasses multiple years.

8th District Commander Matt Jackson motioned to enter Executive Session. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

At 2:45pm, the Executive Committee entered Executive Session.

9th District Commander Chris Brock moved to come out of Executive Session. 10th District Vice Commander Bob Clark second. Motion carried.

At 2:54pm, the Executive Committee exited Executive Session.

8th District Commander Matt Jackson moved to close item four and to not be discussed by this body. 6th District Commander Dale Spurlock second. Discussion. 6th District Commander Dale Spurlock called for the question.

5. Conduct an inquiry into the number of Adjutant and DSO contracts that have been signed by the current and past commanders without providing said contracts to the Department Executive Committee. This inquiry is needed to show cause for possible actions which could date back many years.

8th District Commander Matt Jackson moved to close item five and to not be discussed by this body. 6th District Commander Dale Spurlock second. Discussion. 10th District Vice Commander Bob Clark called for the question. 9th District Commander Chris Brock requested a roll call vote. Motion carried.

(Attachment B)

The Special Executive Committee meeting was adjourned according ritual and in due form at 3:12pm.

Leo Gruba
Department Adjutant

Gary Roach
Department Commander

Draft Date: October 11th, 2018

Correction Date:

Approval Date:

Attachments:

- (a) Roll Call
- (b) Roll Call Vote
- (c) Agenda

SPECIAL DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - OCTOBER 9, 2018
THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS		P	A	Y	N
Commander	Gary Roach	X			
Vice Cmdr, Area I	Carrol Stripling	X			
Vice Cmdr, Area II	Ken Christian	X			
Vice Cmdr, Area III	Denny Pittman		X		
Vice Cmdr, Area IV	Bob Bradford		X		
N.E.C.	Ken Lee	X			
ALT. NEC	Dale Davis		X		
JR. P. D. C.	Wayne Elston	X			
Chaplain	Chris Kunhert	X			
Historian	vacant				
Sgt-at-Arms	Larry McCarthy	X			
DISTRICT COMMANDERS		P	A	Y	N
1st	Jordan Houghton	X			
2nd	Perry Mendenhall		X		
3rd	John Kent	X			
4th	Frank Sterling	X			
5th	Kevin Russell	X			
6th	Dale Spurlock	X			
7th	Dave Jacobs		X		
8th	Matthew Jackson	X			
9th	Chris Brock	X			
10th	Dick Wallace		X		
11th	Jacki Goo	X			
12th	Don Parchen		X		
DISTRICT VICE COMMANDERS		P	A	Y	N
1st	Chris Kunhert				
2nd	Jeff Westlund				
3rd	vacant				
4th	Kevin Robertson				
5th	Ron Madderra				
6th	Larry Stewart				
7th	vacant				
8th	Mike Bondurant				
9th	Scott Derting				
10th	Robert Clark	X			
11th	Harry Brown				
12th	vacant				
NON-VOTING MEMBERS		P	A	Y	N
Adjutant	Leo Gruba	X			
Service Officer	Theresa Williams	X			
Judge Advocate	vacant				
Finance Officer	Bill Powell	X			

SPECIAL DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ROLL CALL VOTE- OCTOBER 9, 2018

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Commander	Gary Roach	X			
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Vice Cmdr, Area II	Ken Christian	X		X	
Vice Cmdr, Area III	Denny Pittman		X		
Vice Cmdr, Area IV	Bob Bradford		X		
N.E.C.	Ken Lee	X		X	
ALT. NEC	Dale Davis		X		
JR. P. D. C.	Wayne Elston	X		X	
Chaplain	Chris Kunhert	X			
Historian	vacant				
Sgt-at-Arms	Larry McCarthy	X		X	
DISTRICT COMMANDERS		P	A	Y	N
1st	Jordan Houghton	X			X
2nd	Perry Mendenhall		X		
3rd	John Kent	X		X	
4th	Frank Sterling	X		X	
5th	Kevin Russell	X		X	
6th	Dale Spurlock	X		X	
7th	Dave Jacobs		X		
8th	Matthew Jackson	X		X	
9th	Chris Brock	X			X
10th	Dick Wallace		X		X
11th	Jacki Goo	X			X
12th	Don Parchen		X		
DISTRICT VICE COMMANDERS		P	A	Y	N
1st	Chris Kunhert				
2nd	Jeff Westlund				
3rd	vacant				
4th	Kevin Robertson				
5th	Ron Madderra				
6th	Larry Stewart				
7th	vacant				
8th	Mike Bondurant				
9th	Scott Derting				
10th	Robert Clark	X			
11th	Harry Brown				
12th	vacant				
NON-VOTING MEMBERS		P	A		
Adjutant	Leo Gruba	X			
Service Officer	Theresa Williams	X			
Judge Advocate	vacant				
Finance Officer	Bill Powell	X			

THE AMERICAN LEGION



Department of Washington
Special Department Executive Committee Meeting
Department Headquarters
Lacey, WA

Tuesday, October 9th, 2018

OPENING CEREMONY

Flag Salute
Invocation
POW/MIA Empty Chair Ceremony
Pledge of Allegiance
Preamble

ROLL CALL

OPENING REMARKS

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CLOSING CEREMONY

Benediction

Retire POW/MIA Flag

Flag Salute

Adjourn Meeting