CSCP MEETING
19 OCTOBER 2017
SILVER SPRING, MD

Called to order by Chair Rex Moody at 9AM

Devotions and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Members:

Alabama    Arizona    Arkansas    California
Colorado  Florida  Georgia    Idaho
Iowa  Kansas    Kentucky    Louisiana
Maryland  Massachusetts  Michigan    Minnesota
Mississippi  Montana    Missouri    Nebraska
Nevada    New Jersey  North Carolina  North Dakota
Ohio  Oklahoma  Oregon    Pennsylvania
Utah  Vermont    Virginia    Washington
West Virginia    Wisconsin

A quorum was met

Approval of agenda-Bruce Dopson sitting in for Mass. James Fleming, Barry Shofold

Minutes of last meeting-forego- James Flemming = Carried

Changes to agenda-

President John Rowan. President brought into the BOD meeting to keep information and send to states.

Agent Orange fight is still being fought in congress. Need to keep on the forefront.

Toxic Exposure on state side bases. Air Force bases with jet fuel and deicing fluids. Where does it go.

Camp Lejune still a hot issue, especially the families,

Funds are doing well. Some are donating to the VVA from deceased members and others desiring to make donations to VVA.
The VA is looking at BRAC for some facilities. Many buildings are not being used and yet maintained. Congress is keeping tabs and we need to be cognizant of the issues.

Better service is happening. The VA Hospitals have a Doctor shortage and the hospitals have specialized service spread around. Cancer, heart, etc.

Question-what is the VVA position on the NFL- None.

We work with everybody no matter of party affiliation.

We have a reputation of telling the truth and keep it that way. Don’t endorse it can be harmful to VVA. When speaking with a candidate do not wear a VVA shirt or hat.

Wes Guidry-Nothing at this time.


Can National give the $9 to the state council and $2 to the chapters?

Convention Registration-Lindbeck. Thanks for pre-registration. We had 844 delegates with 18 registering on site. Need to look at something at Leadership and a revision to the form so it is easier to complete. Who can sign the form and sending in the correct fees.

Off Site CSCP meeting-John Kost: Asking for an off site meeting and IA would host if it comes about.

Ned Foote-who would fund?

Bob Seal-on the committee and that is the reason coming to this meeting. National will not put up the funds for securing hotels. Etc.

The reason we come to the BOD meeting so the information is sent back to the State Councils by the SC presidents. Many are on committees and if not here there is not a quorum to hold the committee meeting.

PFA Water Contamination on military bases: Would like to see VVA take a position on the clean up. The Air Force has the biggest problem with jet fuel, deicer, cleaning fluids, etc.

Marc McCabe-Florida is holding town hall meetings regarding Camp LeJune and getting the information out. Several claims have been done.

Dennis Howland-We toured Hill AFB and some of the proving grounds.

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Officers Reports; Rex Moody-get expense reports to him and he will review.
Subject matters that concern CSCP. If you have info it is your responsibility to get the packet together for presentation.

CSCP Reports-CSCP-No report, By-laws-no report, Constitution- No report, Veteran Benefits-No Report, Government Affairs-No Report, Legislative Affairs, Arizona- try to keep in touch with and keep informed of upcoming bills. Can we have Kelsy Yoon come in and give a report.

Disaster Relief-Joe Sternburg. VVA had a disaster relief program in the past. VVA is not in the business of Disaster Relief.

Several State Councils and Chapters sent funds to states involved. Texas was overwhelmed with the amount received. Florida most of the damage was in the southern part of the state. They worked with DAV and the American Legion to distribute to the various areas.

Puerto Rico is going to take some time to recover. Most of the bridges are down so getting around if very hard.

Ned Foote is the money sent going to be secured. PR yes we are in a position to receive funds.

Foote-As a group we are the Relief Fund. It is up to us.

Pennsylvania-Haberkorn. What about the fires in California.

Chapter 649 presented a check to the Texas SC.

Florida is picking up 1000 generators for Puerto Rico.

California has set up a fund for assistance to veterans. Over 6000 homes and buildings have been damaged or lost.

Chapter Suspensions-Joe Sternburg/Rossie Nance

Part was based on the last year. 31 chapters on suspension with the IRS.

Reynolds=Finance Reports due after March 1 and become delinquent on July 15. We do not do anything by mail any longer, it is all done electronically. Best way to them is to scan and send to National.

Suspension means that you cannot raise funds, travel, use VVA logo etc.

Bob Seal-What do we do with the chapters on suspension. We have a Disciplinary Policy that outlines what is to occur.

Reynolds-somewhere in the process the SC President has to become involved.

Nevada-You need to find out what the problem is before taking enforcement action.

Sternburg-In the last review there were several chapters that were in the arrears for two years or more.
Grego the by-laws show that the chapter can be pulled.

Stapelton-At each SC meeting there is line item in the agenda that discusses the suspension system. The SC President should stay on top of the chapters to get their reports into the State and National.

Ramsey-Each SC receives a report from National when the report is received. The SC President should contact the chapter and assist them if necessary.

The Chapter should know what leadership is doing. If they are not they should be voted out if necessary.

Bill Meeks-What is the process to revoke a chapter.

Under the Disciplinary Policy I can start the process by filing charges. Charges are sent to Butch Huber and he then reviews and returns. The BOD then pulls the charter and closes the chapter. A letter goes to the membership so they are aware of what is going on within the chapter. That way the membership in advised.

Florida-what happens to the assets. The chapter can donate in to a 501c3 or charity.

Grego-Is a motion needed for amnesty? CSCP is opposed to.

Stenvold-The poster for Agent Orange awareness is $574 per poster and the company will ship anywhere. A good idea to promoter Agent Orange. The poster is like the billboards in North Dakota.

CSCP reports are from the previous meeting and not current.

Bev Stewart-Legislative Affairs should be left on so we can be informed of the bills being considered.

Can written reports be submitted prior to the meeting rather than at the meeting.

Rex Moody-When you go to the committee meetings the information is current.

Ned Foote-why is there no information on the CSCP talk list what was done at the CSCP/BOD meeting. This should be done rather than who passed.

Agent Orange was not on the report list. It will be on the next one.

New members at the table. If you are staying at different hotel you need a receipt. The reimbursement will be the lesser of the two. The same goes if you made your own airline reservations.

John Kost-Off Site meeting. How many are interested in an off site meeting (3).

Meeting adjourned at 3:45PM.