



**Vietnam Veterans of America
Chapter 331**

July 10, 2021



The July 10, 2021 the meeting was held at The Hooch – the meeting was called to order at 1:04pm by President Jim Ottman with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen and serving service members and POW/MIAs.

Minutes from last meeting reviewed and approved

The Treasury report was given by Treasurer John Telschow and accepted.

The Scholarship Committee reported that one of the Scholarship Winners from last year did not successfully complete their 1st semester. Given the pandemic situation we agreed to give this person a second chance. After repeated attempts to contact the winner, with no response, it was determined that they had not successfully completed their obligation and we would not be issuing them the Scholarship.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A \$500 check was issued to the High Ground, as per vote last month, for sponsorship of Dave Sharretts High Ground bicycle ride. He advises that he and Jerry Simonson are the two oldest riders with 31 and 35 rides respectively. There are about 35 riders in this group.
- After a discussion it was decided that if at some time we choose not to continue with the Hockey Tournament that VVA 331 would consider transferring the Tournament to the New Richmond VFW. At this time, it is our only Scholarship Fundraiser. The New Richmond Hockey Assoc as expressed interest in continuing to have this sponsored Tournament.
- The Hwy Sponsorship is officially done – paperwork was sent to the State.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Jim Ottman advised that Chapter 492 has disbanded.

CHINA BEACH:

- AUGUST 14, 2021

- Festivities begin Friday Night with Dave's Almost World Famous Jambalaya! (sometime Friday night – usually between 6&7)
- Saturday
 - Helicopter Rides
 - Lunch at 1pm at the Hooch –
 - ❖ PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS
 - ❖ Bring your own Beverage's
 - ❖ Kyle to Cook
 - ❖ Corn from Brian Hopp if available
 - Flag Burning Ceremony
 - LOTS of fireworks at dusk

NEXT MEETING:

August 14, 2021 at the Hooch during China Beach. One of our scholarship winners will be present and will present his essay. Hope to see you all there

Respectfully submitted
David Niederer, Secretary