

January 14, 2017

Meeting called to order by President Dave Niederer at 1:10pm at the New Richmond Sports Center

Pledge

Moment of Silence for those presently serving and for our POW/MIA's

December Minutes accepted.

Treasurers report:

Both Scholarship Winners from 2016, Nicholas Kalmes & Carson Johnson, were awarded their Scholarships. Kalmes is maintaining a 2.88 GPA and Johnson is maintaining a 3.46 GPA

Money's for the County VSO's were dispersed as voted on in December, a Thank You letter was received from Polk County VSO Rick Gates who put the money into their Veteran's Service Commission Fund for Veterans in crises.

Received a large donation from FFA-Ellsworth, they donate to a non-profit each year and this year chose us. A discussion was had regarding what to do with the money. The discussion led to an agreement to split the money between scholarship fund and the three Wisconsin VSO's that are in our service district. A meeting to formally accept the donation will be held with the FFA-Ellsworth the end of January

The website is not up and running, BUT it is in process and was available for viewing, which we did. A few changes were suggested and Gayle will get ahold of Connecting Point to make those. (update 01/25/2017 - Website is up and running)

A discussion was had regarding new business cards - changing wording to say: "Serving Western Wisconsin and Eastern Minnesota"

Scholarship is ready to send out info - waiting to see if website will be up and running for final info.

As most of the active members of the Chapter will be in Florida in February, a pseudo meeting will be held at Wayne and Jean Boyds' residence in Panama City Beach on February 11, 2017 at 1300 hours.

March meeting will be at the Gaslight on March 11, 2017 at 1:00PM

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm

Congratulations to the winners at the 25th Annual POW/MIA Bantam Hockey Tournament!

Respectfully Submitted

Gayle K Freiseis

