

MINUTES of 39th NAA&NV CONVENTION

Board members present: Keith Kiefer, Bob Ruyle, Frank Farmer, Haskell Watts, Bob Pfeifer and Fred Schafer. Gillie Jenkins and Lincoln Grahlf were excused.

In order to complete necessary business, an early board meeting was called and began at 4:10 p.m.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer, Frank Farmer reported:
\$14,263.92 Savings
\$28,173 Checking
Total Assets: \$ 42,436.92

N.A.A.V. has paid expenses for seven people to attend convention this year.

Fred thanked members whose funds helped create biggest convention since at least the early 1980's

4 offices are up for election...

Fred Schafer, Commander, Frank Farmer, Treasurer, Bob Pfeifer, Director at Large, Lincoln Grahlf, Director at Large. Fred appointed a nominating committee and they went to meet separately.

Fred stated that, in May the Board elected to send Keith and Fred to British BNTV annual convention. While there they visited with French atomic delegation members and invited them to attend this convention at Portland.

Stars & Stripes is present to report on our convention. Fred introduced Claudia Grisales, Congressional Reporter for Stars & Stripes.

Tomorrow's schedule includes a tour to Evergreen Air Museum and then to American Legion at Tigard for lunch. After that, to the Oregon Garden. The bus is expected to return to the Sheraton by 6:00 p.m.

New board members will be elected at evening session. Board members will meet together and then announce officers elected.

At our banquet on Friday, Marseilles youth will perform native dances for our entertainment.

Fred reported that we continue to gain in membership. There have also been an increase in calls for assistance from veterans, spouses, widows and from children of atomic veterans.

It was stated again that there continue to be atomic veterans who do not know that help is available or even that they can discuss their experience and exposure.

Jim Hamann requested vote to begin class action suit. Vote was to contact attorney for class action law suit, attorney to be hired on contingency basis. Motion was seconded and passed.

To provide financial compensation for those exposed to radiation or to the survivors, including children of atomic veterans.

Vote was positive.

Fred reminded members present to read the current newsletter and to seek help from RECA. Keith noted that RECA may expire in 2022. All affected members were urged to call 1-202-514-0979 and ask for Kathleen Barber.

Kansas, Arkansas, Georgia and Oregon have highway Atomic Veterans Memorial designated highways.

Evening Board Meeting 9/12/18 after dinner, meeting was resumed and Bob Pfeifer, Board Member was in attendance

Fred opened the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Nominating committee has not heard from any member who wishes to challenge the board. The nominees have indicated they would each like to remain on the board. The vote was unanimous.

New officers & board members are: Keith Kiefer, Commander, Fred Schafer, Vice Commander, Frank Farmer & Fred Schafer, Co-Treasurers, Robert Ruyle, Secretary, Gillie Jenkins, Director at Large and Director of State Commanders, Haskell Watts Jr. Director at Large and Historian, Robert Pfeifer, Director at Large, and Lincoln Grahlf, Director at Large.

Fred reminded members that if they cannot reach their own state commander, please contact the national commander to report that.

No further business was brought forth so meeting was adjourned until next year. Next years meeting place will be decided in the future.



Submitted by Robert L. Ruyle (NAAV Secretary)