

**PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA – WISCONSIN CHAPTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

March 9, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Paralyzed Veterans of America, Wisconsin Chapter BOD meeting was called to order by President, Ken Ness, at 1:09 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, followed by a moment of silence for all veterans who have passed away.

2. ATTENDEES:

Ken Ness, President	Present, in office
Todd Drazy, Vice President	Zoom
Scott Griffith, Government Relations Director, Treasurer	Absent, excused
Derrick Trentin, Secretary	Absent
Phillip Rosenberg, President Emeritus	Zoom(teleconference)
Peter Carrao	Zoom(teleconference)
Michael Thomas	Zoom(teleconference)
Ken Matthews	Zoom
LeToi Adams	Zoom
Troy Kurzcek	Absent
Richard Buth	Present, in office

3. RECOGNIZE VISITORS:

- Amera Schaefer, Executive Director
- Tom Daily, Associate Sports Director
- Grace Malkusak, Administrative Assistant

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Ken Matthews made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Phil Rosenberg seconded the motion. All votes accepted and the motion was carried.

5. AGENDA:

- March agenda presented.

6. PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- February minutes presented.

7. TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Written report presented.

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Written report presented.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Written report presented.

10. NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Written report presented.

11. NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT:

- No report presented.

12. GRD'S REPORT:

- Written report presented.

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. Sports & Recreation:

- i. Written report presented.

b. Hospital Liaison:

- i. Written report presented.

c. Communications:

- i. Written report presented.

d. Strategic Planning:

- i. No report was presented.

e. Membership:

- i. Members: 265 New – Deceased –
- ii. Associate: 128 New – Deceased –

14. OLD BUSINESS: No old business to discuss this week.

15. NEW BUSINESS:

- Increase BOD President Discretionary Spending limit to \$1,000 (Cost of Living adjustment, no increase in over 5 years): Ken Matthews moves the motion. Mike Thomas seconded the motion. All votes accepted and the motion was carried.
- Join Move United – \$250 annual membership: Ken Matthews moves the motion. Rick Buth seconded the motion. Ken Matthews inquired about a newsletter, Ken Ness said they do send one out as well as other material sent out. Ken Matthews asked if their newsletter will be sent out to PVA-WI, Ken Ness said their information would be included. All votes accepted and the motion was carried.
- Associate Membership Application – Melvin Dominguez and Karl Jackson: Ken Matthews moves the motion to approve associate memberships. Pete Carrao inquired about the applicants. Both individuals were talked about attending previous events. Pete Carrao seconded the motion. All votes accepted and the motion was carried.
- WASA Grant Request – \$8,000 to support new Lacrosse equipment and travel: Ken Matthews moves the motion. Mike Thomas seconded the motion. Ken Matthews inquired about if it is in the budget. Ken Ness says it was not in the budget last year due to Covid but previous years have had it. All votes accepted and the motion was carried.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Newsletter articles or news submissions before March 15.

- Awards given out by PVA National, one of them being best Website, and accessibility.
- Legislative visits, Scott, Ken Ness, and Amara Schaefer did a visit virtually. Ken Ness says looks for the email to send response to vote and advocacy on state legislature.
- Air Rifle Event this weekend on Saturday and Sunday. Tom Daily says times are Saturday 12-4 and Sunday 9-4. Shooting will be assessed as well. Potential to send members out West based on assessment. Inquiry about coffee at event, Tom Daily confirmed this.
- Ken Matthews speaks about fourth shot for vaccination, he is unsure on criteria to be met for these shots.
- Ken Matthews discusses Hospital still being closed but some spots without masks. Some talk on slowly opening, but still waiting to hear more. Also talks about the Veterans Peer Support being active if anyone is interested in joining or others that people know.
- Ken Ness inquired to Dr. Lee about annual physicals being in person soon. Updates will be included on the website. Ken Matthews says that they will do this in person based on certain medical criteria.
- Rick Buth inquires about equipment to Oconomowoc schools. Ken Ness says requests need to be put in, or a proposal, and the hospital has some used chairs as well. Rick Buth will look into it as well.

17. ADJOURNMENT: Ken Matthews moves to adjourn the meeting. LeToi Adams seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned by Ken Ness.

Next BOD meeting: Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at 1:00 pm at the office and on zoom.