

**PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA – WISCONSIN CHAPTER**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**August 14, 2019**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Paralyzed Veterans of America, Wisconsin Chapter BOD meeting was called to order by President, Dale Nelson at 1:05 p.m. at the Zablocki VA Hospital. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, followed by a moment of silence for all veterans that have passed away.

**2. ATTENDEES:**

Dale Nelson, President	
Phillip Rosenberg, Vice President	
Scott Griffith, Government Relations Director, Treasurer	
Peter Carrao	teleconference
Michael Thomas	teleconference
Ken Ness	excused
Ken Matthews	teleconference
Derrick Trentin	
Todd Drazy	
National Service Officer, Eric Gonzales	absent
Kevin Klandrud, Executive Director	

**3. RECOGNIZE VISITORS:** Susan Gall, Larry & Sharon Boushon

\* Mr. Matthews made a motion to suspend the normal order of business to proceed with the drawing for the RV. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.  
Mr. Boushon shared details about the RV new ownership. Michael Fleuker was the lucky recipient. Scott Griffith will look into the legal ramifications of adding the chapter to the title. Mr. Drazy suggested a contract be drawn up to cover proper care and maintenance and that if the owner did not use it he would return it to PVA.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Mr. Griffith made a motion to approve the consent agenda for May. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.

**5. AGENDA:**

**6. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**7. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- Written report was presented.

**8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- Written report was presented.

**9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

- Written report was presented.

**10. NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

- Written report was presented.

## **11. NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICER REPORT:**

## **12. GOVERNMENT RELATIONS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

- Written report was presented.

## **13. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### ***A. Sports and Recreation:***

### ***B. Hospital Liaison:***

- Written report was presented

### ***C. Membership:***

- Membership count: 269
- Associate members:221

### ***D. Finance & Fundraising:***

- Written report was presented.

### ***E. Communications:***

- Written report was presented.

### ***F. Strategic Planning Committee:***

- No report

## **14. OLD BUSINESS:**

## **15. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Mr. Matthews made a motion to accept the budget as presented. Mr. Drazy seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.
- Mr. Nelson requested nominations for the chapter awards. The motion was made by Scott Griffith to proceed with the nominations as presented. Michael Thomas seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.
  - Falkner Award – Gus Sorenson
  - Don Schmidt – Gordy Bartholomew
  - Patty Wiseman – Jonathon Lee
  - President's Award – to be determined by the Executive Committee
- Mr. Griffith made a motion to rename the Adaptive Sports Endowment to "Gus Sorenson Adaptive Sports Endowment". Mr. Trentin seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.
- Associate Membership applications for Paul, Ryan & Kyle Cornelius were submitted. Mr. Griffith made a motion to approve. Mr. Trentin seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.
- Mr. Griffith spoke about the revamping of the Scholarship Program. Jackie Justus and Patricia Salentine (Bee Roots daughter) have assisted in writing a SCI scholarship for the nursing staff for continued education. Anyone interested in being on this committee to assist with creating and reviewing the applicants. Mr. Drazy is interested.
- Mr. Nelson spoke about the Students Serving Veterans tee shirts contribution. The group is about 12 kids. Mr. Griffith made a motion to support the purchase not to exceed \$500.00. Mr. Thomas seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.

## **Announcements were reviewed.**

- The membership banquet was mentioned. It was decided that a per diem for hotel stay for members would be set. Each member who wanted to stay over would find their own accommodations. An on line auction will be set up for the high end items that will end on the day of the banquet.

- Gus Sorenson's funeral will be tomorrow, August 15, 2019
- Mr. Griffith expressed how important it is to write your own story. As we lose our original members we will lose details about each individual. Please write them down.

**17. ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Nelson adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Next board of directors meeting will be Wednesday, September 11, 2019 **at 1:00 p.m.** at the War Memorial.

Respectively submitted, sg Ken Ness, Secretary KN