

**PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA – WISCONSIN CHAPTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
July 10, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Paralyzed Veterans of America, Wisconsin Chapter BOD meeting was called to order by Treasurer, Scott Griffith at 1:09 p.m. at the Milwaukee County War Memorial. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, followed by a moment of silence for all veterans that have passed away.

2. ATTENDEES:

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

3. RECOGNIZE VISITORS: Susan Gall

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Mr. Matthews made a motion to approve the consent agenda for May. Mr.Ness 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:

- Position is vacant

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:

- Mr. Griffith made an announcement that raffle ticket sales must continue, less than 100 are currently turned in.

15. NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Griffith presented the idea of opening a new endowment fund. Adaptive/Accessibility Grant Endowment for members in good standing beginning in 2021. This would be a grant that could be applied for on an annual basis for wheelchair ramps, adaptive equipment, etc. A committee will be formed to develop the program. The applicant will provide proof of exhausted resources to be eligible for this grant. The dollar amount would be limited to the annual payout of the endowment, perhaps in several smaller payouts for more individuals. \$25,000 would be moved from the money market account to the new endowment on October 1, 2019. Mr. Matthews made a motion to create this endowment. Mr. Thomas seconded. The motion was accepted and carried.

Announcements were reviewed.

- Another year of high rating from Charity Navigator!
- Thanks was given to the board members for being willing to change the meeting to today instead of on the 11th. We would not have had a quorum on the 11th due to some board members attending the NVWG.
- Mr. Matthews will be attending a meet and greet on July 19th at 9:30 at Wheeler Park for all the veteran's organizations.

17. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Griffith adjourned the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

Next board of directors meeting will be Wednesday, August 14, 2019 **at 1:00 p.m.** at the Zablocki VA Medical Hospital.

Respectively submitted, sg Ken Ness, Secretary KN