

PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA – WISCONSIN CHAPTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 14th, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Paralyzed Veterans of America, Wisconsin Chapter BOD meeting was called to order by President Todd Drazy at 1:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, followed by a moment of silence for all veterans who have passed away.

2. ATTENDEES:

Todd Drazy	President	Present, Zoom
Scott Griffith	Vice President, Ntl. Dir., GRD	Present, Zoom
Peter Carrao	Board Member	Present, Zoom
Michael Thomas	Board Member	Present, Phone
Troy Kurczek	Board Member	Present, Phone
Richard Buth	Board Member	Medical Leave of Absence
Angela Walker	Board Member	Present, Zoom Late Arrival
Gary Stott	Secretary, Board Member	Present, Zoom

3. RECOGNIZE VISITORS:

- Amera Schaefer, Executive Director
- Brenna Frey, Advancement and Engagement Coordinator
- Brenda Stencil, National Service Officer

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Troy Kurczek made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Gary Stott seconded the motion. All votes were accepted, no nays, no abstentions, and the motion was carried.

5. AGENDA:

- May agenda presented.

6. PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- April minutes presented.

7. FINANCE 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:

- **Sports & Recreation:**
 - i. No report presented.
- **Communications & Advocacy:**
 - i. Written report presented.
- **Finance:**
 - i. Written report presented.
- **Membership/Peer Mentorship:**
 - i. No report presented.
- **Membership:**
 - i. Members: 317
 - New: Robert Friskey, Joseph A. Schlangen
 - ii. Associate: 186
 - New: Rodney Johnson
 - iii. Transferred:
 - N/A
 - iv. Deceased:
 - Gordon L. Straube

14. OLD BUSINESS:

- N/A

15. NEW BUSINESS:

- Associate Membership Applications
 - Nicole Santos, Joseph Kendall
 - Troy Kurczek made a motion to approve the associate membership applications. Pete Carrao seconded the motion. All votes were accepted, no nays, one abstention, and the motion was carried.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Walk MS – May 4 Summary
 - Amera Schaefer reported that the Walk MS event was a success, with strong attendance and many familiar faces from previous years. Our MS Point of Contact, Mark Rose, participated in the walk, accompanied by

his caregiver, Amera Schaefer, and Scott Griffith. Scott Griffith emphasized the importance of increasing member participation in future Walk MS events, as well as other PVA-WI sponsored activities, including the ALS Walk, trap shoots, adaptive sports bootcamp, and the NVWG.

- Adaptive Sports Bootcamp – June 3-4
- Brown County Trap Shoot – June 27-29
- Salmon-A-Rama – July 15
- Membership Banquet – September 15

17. ADJOURNMENT: Troy Kurczek made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pete Carrao seconded the motion. All votes were accepted, no nays, no abstentions, and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1:11 PM by Todd Drazy.

Next BOD meeting: Wednesday, June 14, 2025, at 1:00 PM on Zoom and in the office.