VALC Committee Meeting Saturday, October 9, 2021

1255hrs – Meeting opened by A.C. "Dave" Davis (2nd Division)

Divisions Attending – 1st John Wowk, 2nd A.C. "Dave" Davis, 4th Mark Young, and 5th Donald Scheyer. (3rd Division NOT PRESENT.)

A.C. Davis – Handed Mr. Wowk and Mr. Scheyer copies of a workbook on setting up a VAC and a workbook explaining the Rules, Regulations, and Court Cases concerning the operation of a VAC.

A.C. Davis – Discussed how our committee is responsible for helping Counties without VACs with setting up a VAC. Also noted that we will invite ALL VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS in the County when trying to set up a VAC. Not just Legion Posts of the County. Also, discussed much about the unique situation involved with a VAC.

1305hrs – Department Commander Wayne Fischer and Senior Vice Commander Payton Lomack joined our meeting. Commander Fischer discussed membership and his handout showing how each District was doing now with membership compared to this same week last year. All Districts are DOWN IN MEMBERSHIPS except one. That one is up in membership because it is close to the Navy Base and always recruits new Sailors as members. Commander Fischer also discussed the New Department Program to try and recruit members who did NOT PAY DUES for last year. If they pay their dues for this year, they will have their CONTINUOUS years continue. However, last year would NOT COUNT for CONTINUOUS YEARS unless they pay for it. Example: Someone who has been a member for 5 years and didn't pay last year they will have 6 years CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP and NOT 7, because they did not pay last year. Senior Vice Commander Lomack said membership is very important to the Legion. Everyone, please help with membership. Please!

Approximately 1320hrs – A.C. Davis continued to discuss how a VAC works and how to assist Veterans Units with starting a VAC. "Dave" also discussed several conditions about VACs that are different than other organizations. Such as, the VAC is a quasi-governmental organization, and it MUST FOLLOW the Open Meetings Act, and that ONLY THE SUPERINTENDENT has Executive Authority in a VAC, etc.

1358hrs – A.C. Davis closed the meeting. The next meeting will be in the Spring.

Ashley C. "Dave" Davis, Committee Chair