



VENICE AREA CHAPTER  
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**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**OFFICERS**

President: Jim Harrington  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Cliff Sasfy  
Secretary/Treasurer: Marjorie Healey

**DIRECTORS**

Mike Healey  
Vince Surwilo

**CHAPTER MEMBERS**

Jeanne White	Marion Hennig	Joan McIlmoyle
Clara Millar	Guenther Hennig	Ken Santanello
Carolyn Harrington	Doug Cole	Shirley Olson
Ellie Neuwirth	Jerry McIlmoyle	

Total in attendance: 16

President Harrington called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. The members held a moment of silence and Cliff Sasfy led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Reading of the Minutes**

The Secretary read the minutes of the May meeting. With no changes or corrections, the minutes were accepted as read.

**Treasurer Report**

The Treasurer reported that as of August 31, 2017, the balance in the checking account is \$1,843.64. The Scholarship fund has a balance of \$2,854.15 and there is \$1,568.56 in the Veterans Fund for a Savings account total of \$4,422.71. This report will be filed subject to audit.

**President's Announcements:**

A Board of Directors' meeting was held wherein the financial status of the chapter was discussed. Looking at the Chapter's income and costs for the current year, it was decided that the Chapter is spending only where expressly needed and there is no reason for concern at this time.

**Old Business**

As there were no viable candidates for a scholarship award this year, the President asked the members to consider the option of using the current funds as a donation to all or one of the JROTC programs available to the schools in the community. After lengthy a discussion, Jerry McIlmoyle

made a *"Motion to approve President Harrington's proposal to designate the current scholarship funds up to \$2,000.00 to be distributed to an entity or entities for the benefit of a JROTC program in a community school."* The motion was seconded by Vince Surwilo, voted upon by the membership and passed unanimously. The President will be in contact with the O.I.C.'s of each school to get their input regarding programs in need of funds.

### **New Business**

Member Shirley Olson advised that she is a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart Association and they are planning to coordinate an Honor Flight in May 2018. She asked that any of our chapter members interested in being included in the flight as a veteran or a guardian, let her know. She will have more information for the newsletter.

The 50/50 raffle was held with \$65.00 in the pot. Cliff Sasfy was the winner and he generously gave part of his winnings to the Veterans Fund making the total donation \$44.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Meeting Length: 25 minutes  
Marjorie Loria Healey, Secretary