

**2019 Fall Meeting of the
Reconnect Committee
Sept. 20th, 2019**

Opening:

The meeting of the Reconnect Committee was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Lincoln Room of the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre in Flint, Michigan on Friday Sept. 20th, 2019.

Chairman Tanner opened the meeting with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 4 committee members present and 2 excused. There were 16 guests present.

Minutes:

The minutes of the Summer Reconnect Meeting were read. It was moved by Jack Helminski and supported by George Bolinger to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Chairman Tanner Requested the committee to spread the word about the Schutze Award at Post, District and Zone meetings to increase the nominations submitted for 2019 -2020.

The Reconnect Program information, flyers, testimonials and donation slips are still not linked on the department website. The Donation buttons under the programs do not function. The Committee would like to inquire about the possibility of either separate PayPal accounts and donation buttons be established, or if a drop-down selector on the Foundation PayPal account could be added to allow donors to select which program they would like their donation to go to.

Alternate NEC Jerry Lynch introduced Leading Candidate for National Commander, Paul Dillard of Texas for comments.

New Business:

Internal affairs Chairman McCall distributed copies of the current Reconnect Rules of Procedure and requested input from the committee regarding the addition of the Homeless Veteran Subcommittee. Since all necessary parties were not present IA Chairman McCall suggested that the committee wait until all necessary parties were consulted to vote on a final draft. It was moved by George Bollinger and supported by Catherine Buckley to conduct an Email vote to allow all parties adequate time to review and create the ROP Draft and associated budget. Motion carried.

NEC John Knox Introduced National Vice Commander, Richard Heigert of Missouri for comments.

Homeless Veterans Subcommittee Chairman, Catherine Buckley introduced and distributed new assistance forms and resource information to be used by the Homeless Veterans Subcommittee.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before this committee, it was moved by Jack Helminski and supported by George Bolinger to adjourn at 11:18 am. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Tanner, Chairman

