

Vietnam Veterans of America  
Chapter 279  
Meeting Minutes  
July 7, 2016  
40 & 8 Club, Omaha, Ne.  
vva279.org

Meeting called to order by President Schissel at 1831. President Schissel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Chapter 279 officers Present: President Schissel, Treasure Kjosa. Secretary Grote.

Members in attendance: 3 officers, 12 members, 1 associate, 7 guests.

Quorum: Yes

NEW MEMBERS:

SECRETARY REPORT: Motion made by Ron Haase and seconded by Anthony Weathers to accept the May minutes. Motion carried. (See attached sheets)

TREASURER REPORT: Motion made by Ron Wilson and seconded by Larry Kofoed to accept the May report. Motion carried. (See attached sheets)

SICK CALL:

VETERANS AFFAIRS:

Dottie Barickman Discussed the VA disability and registry processes and gave a report on the Toxic Exposure Research Bill HR1769 and SB901 which are having problems getting passed.

Tom Brown reported the DOD is looking at eliminating the DD-214.

Omaha National Veterans Cemetery Dedication will be held August 5, at the Sumpter amptheater South west of Papillion at 10:00AM

VICTORY APARTMENTS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS Dottie Barickman gave a report on the June 6 Honor Flight along with an account by a Veteran who participated.

MEMBERSHIP: As of July 103 Members, 10 Associate Members.

POW-MIA's: Ron Haase 1618 listed POW-MIA's down 3 from last report.

SCOLARSHIPS: 5 Total. 3 at U of N, Kearney, Lincoln and Omaha. 1 at Bellevue. 1 at Metro Tech.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A) Chapter members DD214 (National Requirement to have them on file.)
- B) Everyone welcome at the 40 & 8 before and after meeting.
- C) VVA Information booth set up in the VA lobby every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) July 30-31 Offutt Air Show.
- B) Next NVV reunion will be in Omaha August 11-14 at the Ramada Inn 72 & Grover.  
Reunion information is at [www.vetsreunion.com](http://www.vetsreunion.com)
- C: Septemberfest Parade – September 5, 2016
- D: Setting up a golf fundraiser for October 3. More information to follow.
- E: Motion made by Eddy Boller and seconded by Larry Swartz to buy 50 Vietnam maps with major base locations on it from the State VVA. Motion passed.
- F: Motion made to reimburse Dennis Schissel \$54.54 for costs associated with the Ralston parade and \$55.99 To Hi Vee for the cake and ice cream for Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home by Ron Wilson seconded by Tom Brown. Motion passed

Motion made to adjourn at 1951 by Tom Brown seconded by All. Motion passed.

For the Good of the Order

Next meeting: 1830 August 4, 2016

Respectfully submitted:

Lloyd Grote