



**Sons of The American Legion  
Detachment of Indiana  
Post Convention  
Detachment Executive Committee Meeting  
July 15, 2018**

Commander Doug Heiser opened the meeting at 10:31 am with a right hand salute to the Colors of our Nation. Acting Chaplain Jay Huffman said an opening prayer. The POW/MIA flag and Blue Star Banner were in place. Sgt.-at-Arms Ron Conrad led the Pledge of Allegiance. Southern Vice Commander Andy Byers led the Preamble to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion.

Commander Heiser called on Acting Adjutant Raymond Giehll, Jr. for a roll call of Officer which showed the following:

Commander:	Doug Heiser	
Northern Vice Commander:	Mike Shuler	(EX)
Northern Vice Commander:	Dennis Budd	
Southern Vice Commander:	Parry Schlimmer	
Southern Vice Commander:	Andy Byers	
Sgt.-at-Arms:	Ron Conrad	
NEC:	Mike Pipher	
Alt. NEC:	Greg Spaulding	

District Commanders:

1 <sup>st</sup> David Tretter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mike Bottom (EX)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Matt Kearns
4 <sup>th</sup> Paul Rush	5 <sup>th</sup> Dennis Hathaway	6 <sup>th</sup> Mike Tolley
7 <sup>th</sup> Jay Rawley	8 <sup>th</sup> Brian Englert	9 <sup>th</sup> Brian Hauser
10 <sup>th</sup> Dave Brown	11 <sup>th</sup> Merle Smith	

Past Detachment Commanders:

David Stephens	Donald Stephens	James Arter
Raymond Giehll, Jr	Terry Slagle	Damon Bradtmueller
David Ridenour	David Brown	Richard Pfeiffer
Mark Tansel	Mike Pipher	David Hanson
Greg Spaulding	Ron Sexton	Chris Carlton
Joe Schultis	Dewey Long	

Commander Heiser asked for the reading of the minutes of the previous DEC meeting. PDC Dewey Long made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes until they were published, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Chris Carlton. Motion passed.

Damon Bradtmueller offered his resignation as Detachment Adjutant. PDC Richard Pfeiffer made motion to accept the resignation, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Dave Brown. Motion passed.

Retiring Detachment Adjutant Damon Bradtmueller received a long standing applause for his years of service as the Detachment Adjutant.

The Officer list and Commission & Committee list was distributed to the DEC.

PDC Long made a motion to accept the list of appointed officer to also include a replacement for the Finance Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Joe Schultis. Motion passed. (See attached list with appointed offices highlighted)

PDC Pfeiffer made a motion to accept the Commission & Committee lists, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Ron Sexton. PDC Dave Stephens spoke on the fact that he was not included on the list and let his disdain on that matter be known.

There was a question if Merle Smith was able to chair 2 Committees and Commander Heiser said that was not a problem.

Motion passed. (See attached list)

Commander Heiser asked for any Committee or Commission reports or information.

PDC Dave Hanson representing the Campout Committee made a motion for the bids for the Detachment Campout to be due by the Fall Conference from this time forward, 2<sup>nd</sup> Southern Vice Commander Parry Schlimmer. Motion passed.

The Campout bid sheet will need to be sent to the squadrons as soon as possible.

PDC Brown asked about the need for a Committee to go over the Detachment Constitution & Bylaws. Commander Heiser said that with the change to the Constitution & Bylaws at the just completed Detachment Convention there is no longer a need for them to be reviewed.

PDC Long said that the VE&E Committee was listed under stand-alone Committees and needed to be under the Rehabilitation Commission.

Sons In Need Chairman Greg Wagner came forward for a report.

Greg read the requirements to receive assistance from the SIN program.

Greg talked about a raffle that will fund the SIN account. The raffle will start as soon as the meeting is over. Greg said that there will be 1200 tickets at \$10 apiece. Each District Commander will be given 100 tickets to sell. The raffle is being run using the Department of Indiana raffle license. The prizes are 1<sup>st</sup> \$1000, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$600, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$400. The raffle will provide \$10,000 to the SIN program. Greg said that he hoped we could run two of these raffles this year.

Commander Heiser said that the SIN program is his project for the year. Commander Heiser said that he wanted to see the Committee make one change in the requirements and that would be only one request per family. Commander Heiser wants to raise \$50,000 for the SIN program to

keep it funded for the long term. It will only take \$500 to be a member of the Commander's Club this year.

**Old Business:**

PDC Mark Tansel asked that all the PDCs and Kellis Allen come to the front of the room. PDC David Stephens presented Kellis Allen a Past Detachment Commander's cap for his father Charles Allen.

**New Business:** None

**Sick Call & Relief:**

Mark Tansel said that PDC Harrell Sorrels and his wife Debbie had lost their grandson Nicholas over the Memorial Day weekend. Harrell's health is doing better and he has intentions of being at the Fall Conference.

**Correspondence:** None

**Good of the Sons of The American Legion:**

PDC Terry Slagle said he was now officially the First Dude. His wife Betty Slagle is the New Indiana Auxiliary Department President.

The organizational meeting will start 15 minutes after this meeting. All Detachment Officers and District Commanders need to attend.

With no further business to come before the meeting Commander Heiser called on Chaplain Jay Huffman. Chaplain Huffman said a closing prayer. With a right hand salute to the Colors of Our Nation the meeting was closed at 11:10 am.

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Detachment of Indiana  
2018-2019**

<b>Commander</b>	<b>Doug Heiser</b>
<b>Northern Vice Commander</b>	<b>Mike Shuler 4<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Northern Vice Commander</b>	<b>Dennis Budd 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
<b>Southern Vice Commander</b>	<b>Parry Schlimmer 8<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Southern Vice Commander</b>	<b>Andy Byers 6<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Adjutant</b>	<b>Steve Tansel</b>
<b>Sgt-at-Arms</b>	<b>Ron Conrad</b>
<b>NEC</b>	<b>Mike Pipher</b>
<b>Alternate NEC</b>	<b>Greg Spaulding</b>
<b>Finance Officer</b>	<b>Dewey Long</b>

**District Commanders:**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Dave Tretter</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Bottom</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Matt Kearns</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Paul Rush</b>
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<b>Asst. Adjutant</b>	<b>James Arter</b>
<b>Asst. Adjutant</b>	<b>Ray Giehll Jr.</b>
<b>Asst. Adjutant</b>	<b>Glenn Nagel</b>
<b>Asst. Adjutant</b>	<b>Joe Schultis</b>

<b>Judge Advocate</b>	<b>Richard Pfeiffer</b>
<b>Asst. Judge Advocate</b>	<b>Mark Franke</b>

<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>Jay Huffman</b>
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<b>Historian</b>	<b>Fred Motley</b>
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<b>Asst. Sgt at Arms</b>	<b>Kevin Gwozdz</b>
<b>Asst. Sgt at Arms</b>	<b>Greg Wagner</b>
<b>Asst. Sgt at Arms</b>	<b>Garrett Gilmore</b>

<b>Public Relations</b>	<b>Paul Rush</b>
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<b>Membership</b>	<b>Raymond Giehll III</b>
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<b>Executive Vice Commander</b>	<b>Parry Schlimmer</b>
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## 2018-2019 Commission & Committee Members

### **Americanism Commission**

Chairman: Jimmy Martin

Greg Wagner, James Arter Sr.

### Committees

Athletics:

Chairman: Dave Benefiel

Aaron Quakenbush, Brian Englert, Glenn Nagel

POW/MIA

Chairman: Ron Ripperger

Jay Rawley, Jimmy Martin, David Hanson

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Chairman: Jeff Coulter

Charles Gemlich, Garrett Gilmore, Dave Ridenour

Hoosier Boys State

Chairman: Ryan Kohlheim

Parry Schlimmer, Brian Gilbert, Joe Schultis

### **Children and Youth Commission**

Chairman: Dennis Hathaway

Kellis Allen, Dennis Budd, Joe Schultis

### Committees

Child Welfare Foundation

Chairman: Greg Wagner,

Kevin Gwozdz, Chris Carlton, Mark Tansel

American and Government

Chairman: Merle Smith

Mike Tolley, Bob Bowie, Don Stephens

Children's Hospital

Chairman: Merle Smith

Dave Tretter, JR Booker, Glenn Nagel

JR Shooting Sports

Chairman: Mike Shuler

Aaron Quakenbush, Ron Ripperger, Ron Sexton

Oratorical

Chairman: Dave Mummert

Jeff Coulter, Brian Gilbert, Greg Spaulding

Special Olympics

Chairman: Matt Kearns

Ryan Strong, Logan Pipher, Mike Pipher

## **Internal Affairs Commission**

Chairman: Mike Shuler

3yr DeWayne “Dewey” Long, 2yr Joe Schultis, 1yr Chris Carlton

### Committees

Community Involvement

Chairman: Parry Schlimmer

Jay Rawley, Matt Kearns, Chris Carlton

Convention

Chairman: DeWayne “Dewey” Long

2yr North, Dennis Hathaway      2yr South, Brian Englert

1yr North, Dennis Budd              1yr South, Merle Smith

Campout

Chairman: David Miller

Kellis Allen, Jay Huffman, David Hanson

Information and Training

Chairman: Paul Rush

Bill Barnett, Mike Pipher, Dave Ridenour, Terry Slagle

Public Relations and Information Technology

Chairman: Paul Rush

Andy Byers, Mark Franke, Mike Pipher, Terry Slagle

Legislative

Chairman: Mark Franke,

Ken Corbeille, Dave Mummert, Doc Pfeiffer

Scholarship

Chairman: Charles Gemlich

Dennis Budd, Ray Giehll Jr., Greg Spaulding

Religious Emphasis

Chairman: Jay Huffman

Richard Lawrence, Larry Paulus, ALL DISTRICT CHAPLAINS

Squadron Expansion

Chairman: Raymond Giehll III

ALL VICE COMMANDERS and ALL DISTRICT COMMANDERS

## **Rehabilitation Commission**

Chairman: Jeff Coulter

3yr Aaron Quackenbush, 2yr Andy Byers, 1yr Mike Bottom, Dave Brown

## Committees

Homeless Veterans

Chairman: Mike Bottom

Ron Conrad, Bob Bowie, Cliff Stephens

IVH

Chairman: James Arter Sr. Emeritus

Co-Chairman: DeWayne “Dewey” Long

David Miller, Jeff Coulter, Mike Shuler

VAVS

Chairman: Dennis Hathaway

3yr Ron Alt, 2yr Ron Ripperger, 1yr Halleck Lamar,

VE&E

Chairman: Dennis Budd

ALL Detachment Vice Commanders, Keith Williams

## **Stand Alone Committees**

Distinguished Guests

Chairman: Ray Giehll Jr.

Mark Tansel, Doc Pfeiffer, Dave Ridenour

Finance and Budget

Chairman: Ray Giehll Jr.

3yr Joe Schultis, 2yr Glenn Nagle, 1yr Mark Tansel

Resolutions

Chairman: Mike Pipher

Doc Pfeiffer, Damon Bradtmueller, Terry Slagle

Sons In Need

Chairman: Greg Wagner

Parry Schlimmer, JR Booker, Ron Sexton, Steve Tansel

Membership

Chairman: Raymond Giehll III

ALL VICE COMMANDERS and ALL DISTRICT COMMANDERS