



**Sons of The American Legion  
Detachment of Indiana  
Spring Conference  
Detachment Executive Committee Meeting  
April 6, 2019**

Commander Doug Heiser opened the meeting at 12:30 with a right hand salute to the Colors of our Nation. Chaplain Jay Huffman said an opening prayer. The POW/MIA flag was placed by Southern Vice Commander Andy Byers and Northern Vice Commander Dennis Budd. The Blue Star Banner was in place. Southern Vice Commander Parry Schlimmer led the Pledge of Allegiance. Northern Vice Commander Mike Shuler led the Preamble to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion.

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

Commander:	Doug Heiser	
Northern Vice Commander:	Mike Shuler	
Northern Vice Commander:	Dennis Budd	
Southern Vice Commander:	Parry Schlimmer	
Southern Vice Commander:	Andy Byers	
Adjutant:	Steven Tansel	(EX)
Asst. Adjutant:	Raymond Giehll, Jr	
Asst. Adjutant:	James Arter, Sr.	
Asst. Adjutant:	Glenn Nagel	
Asst. Adjutant:	Joe Schultis	
Finance Officer:	Dewey Long	
Chaplain:	Jay Huffman	
Historian:	Fred Motley	
Sgt.-at-Arms:	Ron Conrad	
Sgt.-ar-Arms Emeritus:	Galen Close	(EX)
Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms:	Greg Wagner	
Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms:	Garrett Gilmore	
Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms:	Kevin Gwozdz	
Judge Advocate:	Richard Pfeiffer	
Asst. Judge Advocate:	Mark Franke	(EX)
Membership Chairman:	Raymond Giehll, III	
Public Relations Director:	Paul Rush	
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 (UNEX)  
4<sup>th</sup>: Paul Rush  
5<sup>th</sup>: Jay Huffman  
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 (UNEX)

Past Detachment Commanders:

Cliff Stephens	David Stephens	Don Stephens
James Arter	Raymond Giehll, Jr	Terry Slagle
Rodney Strong	David Ridenour	David Brown
Richard Pfeiffer	Mark Tansel	Mike Pipher
Glenn Nagel	David Hanson	Greg Spaulding
Kirk Rewerts	Ron Sexton	Chris Carlton
Joe Schultis	Dewey Long	

District Advisors:

1<sup>st</sup>: Al Pulido H  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Mark Gourley  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Phil Shea  
4<sup>th</sup>: Donald Dapp H  
5<sup>th</sup>: Pete Brannon  
6<sup>th</sup>: Cliff Stephens H  
7<sup>th</sup>: Larry Dent H  
8<sup>th</sup>: Larry French  
9<sup>th</sup>: Milton Howard  
10<sup>th</sup>: Mary York H  
11<sup>th</sup>: Danny Rice

Commander Heiser asked for any First Time Attendees, there were three First Time Attendee.

Commander Heiser called on Raymond Giehll, Jr. for introduction of guests. Raymond introduced:

National Update Editor: Mike Pipher

National Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms: Raymond Giehll, III

National Asst. Adjutant: David Ridenour

National Internal Affairs Commission Chairman: Mark Tansel

National Veterans Education & Employment Commission Chairman: Chris Carlton

National Convention Committee Chairman: Greg Spaulding  
National Legislative Commission Vice Chairman: Richard Pfeiffer  
National Member Training & Development Committee Member: Joe Schultis  
All Past Detachment Commanders  
Past National Commander Raymond Giehl, Jr.

Commander Heiser called for the reading of the previous DEC minutes.  
PDC Richard Pfeiffer made a motion to accept the minutes as sent out, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC David Brown.  
Motion passed.

Commander Heiser asked that the representatives for Post 510 be brought forward. Post 510  
Commander Hal Daniels and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Paul Norton came forward.  
Commander Heiser presented them with the new Charter for Sons of The American Legion  
Squadron 510.

Commander Daniels addressed the meeting saying that the squadron was chartered with 22 new  
SAL members. Commander Daniels thanked everyone for their help in getting the squadron  
chartered.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Norton addressed the meeting thanking those who helped him with the  
charter, especially Squadron 495 Commander David Miller.

Commander Heiser called forward Post 97 American Legion member Ron Kizer. Ron came  
forward and addressed the meeting about the Golf Tournament being hosted by Post 47 on May  
5<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds from the Tournament will be going to Commander Heiser's project, SINS. The  
Tournament will be at Riverbend Golf Club, cost is \$60 per player. Ron challenged each District  
to field a team. There are also hole sponsorships available, see Ron Kizer.

Commander Heiser asked for Commission & Committee reports.

**Americanism Commission:**

Chairman Jimmy Martin reported that we need to support all the programs of the American  
Legion.

Chairman Martin read the following Committee reports.

**POW/MIA Committee:**

Chairman Ron Rippenger said the report contains information since the Mid-Winter Conference  
2019.

**MIA remains identified:**

22 USS Oklahoma

17 from WWII

8 from Korea

5 from Vietnam

**2 from Indiana:**

Navy Fire Controlman 1<sup>st</sup> Class, Edward J. Sheldon of Indianapolis. Funeral service will  
be June 21, 2019

Army PFC Clifford M. Mills of Troy, Indiana. Funeral service was March 30, 2019.

If you know anybody that has a MIA in their family, be sure their DNA is on file with DPAA.MIL. That is the only way they could be identified.

**Hoosier Boy's State Committee:**

Acting Chairman Brian Gilbert reported that the HBS program needs to be pushed in your local High Schools. Attendance at HBS has been declining. We need to be helping the American Legion. Contact your High School counselors. The 2019 HBS will be June 16-21.

**5 Star/10 Ideals Committee:**

Chairman Jeff Coulter reported that the Committee will be setting dates for the 8<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Districts for a testing and training session.

**Athletic Committee:**

Chairman Dave Benefiel reported that there was only one bid for the Detachment Golf Outing. The bid was from Kokomo Post 6. There have been 25 rooms blocked at the Quality Inn & Suites, single-\$85, double-\$80. Ask for SAL Golf or Glenn Nagel. The registration forms will be mailed out and a fillable version is currently online at the Detachment website.

Glenn Nagel came forward to talk about the Detachment Golf Outing. Glenn said he had hole sponsorship from all Districts except the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Glenn said if anyone else is interested in sponsoring a hole to get with him after the meeting. Glenn would like to have sponsorship checks today if possible.

PDC Terry Slagle made a motion to accept the Americanism Commission report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Greg Spaulding. Motion passed.

**Children & Youth Commission:**

Acting Chairman Dennis Budd reported that the Squadron Consolidated Report form is online. Please fill it out for your squadron. April is Children & Youth Month.

Acting Chairman Budd read the following Committee reports.

**Special Olympics Committee:**

Acting Chairman Mike Pipher reported that that we need more members to attend Special Olympics Tournaments.

**Americanism & Government Committee:**

Acting Chairman Mike Tolley reported to not forget about Memorial Day. Help put out flags at cemeteries for all our deceased veterans.

**Children's Hospital Committee:**

Acting Chairman Dave Tretter reported that the Detachment still had Josh Dogs available to pass out. You can also give them to your local police, fire and EMTs. Donations to Children's Hospital by squadrons are always welcome. Please plan to visit a Children's Hospital near you.

**Junior Shooting Sports Committee:**

Chairman Mike Shuler reported that the State Meet was recently completed. Results have not yet been posted. A lot of programs have finished for the season and will start back up in the Fall.

Child Welfare Foundation Committee:

Chairman Greg Wagner reported that the Committee is selling tickets to raffle to CWF shirts and a CWF hoodie. We drew one ticket last night and Raymond Giehll, III won. We will be drawing 2 more tickets this evening. So far the raffle has raised \$237. Indiana has only donated \$3055 so far this year. The National total so far is \$202,452. Indiana gave \$26,863 to CWF last year. The cutoff date for this year's donations is May 31.

Oratorical Committee:

Chairman David Mummert reported that the National Oratorical Contest was going on now out by the airport. Indiana had a fair showing of volunteers with 8 members helping and wives.

The Department Contest was March 3<sup>rd</sup> at American Legion National Headquarters. The winner was Isaac Bock from the 11<sup>th</sup> District, he is competing today at the National Contest. The other contestants were Erin Kramer from the 8<sup>th</sup> District, Zachary King from the 4<sup>th</sup> District & Tim Carvahan from the 2<sup>nd</sup> District.

Thank you to all of the SAL and Auxiliary volunteers: Greg and Cheryl Spaulding, Greg and Tammy Wagner, Kim Heiser, Dewey Long, Ron Sexton, Mike Pipher, Mark Tansel and Brian Gilbert. I would also like to thanks for all the help I received at District and Zone Contests.

Start promoting the Oratorical Contest for next year.

Northern Vice Commander Dennis Budd made a motion to accept the Children & Youth Commission report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Joe Schultis. Motion passed.

**Internal Affairs Commission:**

Chairman Mike Shuler reported that all Committees had submitted reports.  
Chairman Shuler read the following Committee reports.

Community Service Committee:

Chairman Parry Schlimmer reported that Squadron 200 donated \$2000 to Special Olympics.

Be involved with flag disposal on Flag Day

Get involved with Boy Scouts.

If you see a worn flag in your community, replace it with a new one.

Try finding other ways to be involved in your community like having a blood drive at your Post.

Legislative Committee:

Acting Chairman Richard Pfeiffer reported the 2019 Indiana Legislative priorities concerning veterans.

# 2019 Indiana Legislative Agenda

**VETERANS INTEREST**

- Return to post-2011 tuition and fee exemption for children of disabled veterans
- Expand Veterans Treatment Courts and capabilities
- Increase Funding for County Veteran Service Officers
- Extend homeless and hyperbaric oxygen therapy programs beyond 2019
- Lottery revenue to fund state veterans programs
- Charity gaming modifications and enhancements
- Veteran ID/Driver License info for state inter-agency use
- Medical Cannabis research support increased growth, and overall rescheduling
- Do not include earned disabled veteran benefits when determining state need-based financial assistance
- Support Military Justice improvements

#### **TAX ENHANCEMENTS**

- Raise Excise tax credit for disabled veterans who do not own “Real” property
- Renter Credit for disabled veterans who do not own “Real” property
- Included veterans receiving Individual Unemployability in property tax credits at the 100% rate
- Increase income tax exemption on military pay
- Tax credit for landlords assisting homeless veterans in active programs
- Include spouses of KIA for property tax exemptions in Indiana

Blue Water Navy veterans will now be receiving VA benefits.

#### Scholarship Committee:

Chairman Charles Gemlich reported that the Scholarship Application needs to be on the Detachment website, he will get application to Paul Rush. Deadline to apply for Scholarship is June 1, 2019. The Scholarship is open to all SAL members in Post-Secondary school.

#### Public Relations & Information Technology Committee:

Chairman Paul Rush reported that the Detachment website is going good. Still need Districts to send events, preferably as PDF, and pictures. The Committee is looking at a quarterly newsletter.

#### Information & Training Committee:

Chairman Paul Rush reported the Committee needs suggestions on topics. The turnout was not very good for the Training session at the Mid-Winter Conference.

#### Religious Emphasis Committee:

Chairman Jay Huffman reported to have names of deceased members to him for the Memorial Service at the Detachment Convention. Help organize and attend Post Memorial Day services.

#### Convention Committee:

Chairman Dewey Long reported that the Committee is still waiting for a decision on the Kid’s Party at the Detachment Convention.

Campout:

Chairman David Miller reported the Campout will be June 21-23, 2019 at Booneville Squadron 200.

We need to promote the Campout. District Commanders and Squadron Commanders need to spread the word about the Campout.

We need to start thinking about bids for 2020 Campout.

Parry Schlimmer came forward and said that Post 200 had 18 electrical hookups. The cost for the hookups is \$15 per day. The hookups will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

Northern Vice Commander Mike Shuler made a motion to accept the Internal Affairs Commission report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC James Arter. PDC Chris Carlton said that the decision about a Kid's Party at the Convention was the duty of the Convention Committee and that decision needed to be made today.

PDC Chris Carlton made a motion to amend the motion to accept the Internal Affairs Commission report minus the Convention Committee report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC David Hanson.

The motion on the amendment passed.

The original motion with the amendment passed.

### **Rehabilitation Commission:**

Chairman Jeff Coulter reported we need to continue working with our veterans to insure that we are doing our absolute best to see that all of their needs are met.

Keep up with legislation to be passed and get involved with your local and state representatives to make sure our voice is heard.

Chairman Coulter read the following reports.

Homeless Veterans Committee:

Acting Chairman Ron Conrad reported that approximately 30% of homeless veterans want to remain homeless.

Bob Bowie has taken supplies to veteran's homeless shelter in Gary.

There will be a 75 unit low cost apartment complex going to open in Hobart in 2020.

VAVS Committee:

Acting Chairman Jeff Coulter reported that we still need a VAVS Representative for the Louisville VA Hospital.

We need to work closer to our VA Representatives and see how we can assist our hospitalized veterans in need.

Raymond Giehll, Jr. introduced American Legion Auxiliary Department of Indiana President Betty Slagle.

President Slagle came forward with a guest and addressed the meeting.

President Slagle said she has 3 projects for her year.

To expand the picnic area at IVH and provide temporary enclosures for bad weather.

Temporary Assistance for Survivors. They provide help for military families whose veteran will not be returning home.

Homeless Women veterans. President Slagle said they had made a visit to HVAF on Friday. HVAF provides help for homeless veterans and President Slagle was very impressed with what HVAF does for homeless women veterans. President Slagle said that this was her passion.

PDC Raymond Giehl, Jr. made a motion that the Detachment of Indiana make a donation of \$1000 to HVAF in the name of the Department of Indiana Auxiliary, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Terry Slagle. Motion passed. President Slagle thanked the Detachment.

President Slagle introduced National Auxiliary Central Division Vice President Teresa Isensee for the Department of Wisconsin.

National Vice President Isensee addressed the meeting. She thanked the SAL for all they do for CWF and Josh Dogs.

National Vice President Isensee said that the National President is focusing on woman veterans, especially homeless woman veterans.

Indiana Veteran's Home Committee:

Chairman Jim Arter came forward and reported that the February 16<sup>th</sup> bingo had 22 Legion Family members and 12 Bloomfield JROTC members helping about 55 residents play 90 games of bingo. With so many volunteers we were able to play more games. As usual everyone had a great time. All the prizes were won. Thanks to Booneville Squadron 200 for \$75 donation. The committee submitted a budget to the Finance Committee for 2019-20 that was the same as the IVH 2018-19 budget.

Commander Heiser introduced American Legion of Indiana Department Commander Rodney Strong. Commander Strong came forward and addressed the meeting. Commander Strong thanked the Detachment for the \$7500 donation to his project made at this morning's General Session. Commander Strong also thanked the Detachment for the \$5000 donation to the Department Rehabilitation Fund. Commander Strong thanked those who stayed for the Bronze Star presentation. Commander Strong said that checks were given for Americanism & Government, Flag Etiquette and Oratorical runner ups. Operation Combat Veterans gave a presentation. Commander Strong said that he and Commander Heiser had a bet, if the Detachment is at 100% at Close of Books he will donate \$100 to Commander Heiser's project. If the Detachment is not at 100% at Close of Books, Commander Heiser will donate \$100 to Commander Strong's project. Commander Strong asked for Past Detachment Commanders who were 100% to raise their hands, Commander Strong was one of them.

Commander Strong said on June 30<sup>th</sup> the Department would dedicate the new sign. There will also be a Time Capsule buried. The columns in front of the Department would be replaced by then and the new columns would represent the Four Pillars of the American Legion.

At this year's Department Convention on Saturday night there will be a coat & tie sit down dinner to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The cost will be between \$30-40 per person. US Coin Board is donating a rifle and tickets to raffle off to help offset the cost of the dinner.

Commander Strong's Homecoming will be May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Commander Strong said there will be a Membership Drive Around the weekend of April 27-28. Details are still being finalized.

Close of Books will be June 9<sup>th</sup> at IVH.

Commander Strong said the Booneville auction brought \$2500 for Commander Heiser's project.



Commander Strong accepted the following donations for his project:  
7<sup>th</sup> District SAL, \$100  
Squadron 216, \$50.

#### Veterans Education & Employment Committee:

Chairman Dennis Budd reported that Federal regulation are that a non-accredited individual cannot assist anyone with an application for veteran's benefits.

Veterans Education Success history.

Veterans Education Success works with partner veterans and military organizations to educate federal and state policymakers to ensure the success of military-connected students using the GI Bill and other federal educational benefits, and to weed out college waste, fraud and abuse.

Veterans were coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan and getting misled into signing up for these very low-quality schools, where graduates often cannot get jobs they were promised. Vets were thereby losing their one shot at the GI Bill and the skills they needed to enter the civilian workforce and provide a better future for themselves and their families. The idea that education companies were seeking to trick veterans out of their hard-earned GI Bill is particularly galling because the GI Bill is the main source of America's thanks to veterans and service members who have served and sacrificed the most for America.

The unemployment rate for Gulf War-era II veterans is 3.1% with the National overall unemployment rate at 3.7%. Currently the unemployment rate for Gulf War II women veterans is 2.7%, down from 6% in September.

The number of VE&E Committees in the Sons need to increase.

Elkhart County is having a military Stand Down in June. These have been successful in the past.

PDC James Arter made a motion to accept the Rehabilitation Commission report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Dewey Long. Motion passed.

Commander Heiser introduced Dwight Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Vice Commander. Dwight said that they are trying to have a Color Guard competition among the 7 prison posts in Indiana. Some of the Color Guards have SAL members and the prisons need permission from the SAL Detachment for members to participate in the Color Guards.

PDC Dewey Long made a motion that the Detachment of Indiana support the use of SAL members in the prison Color Guards, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Joe Schultis. Motion passed.

Raymond Giehll, Jr introduced Past National SAL Commander David Stephens who is now in attendance. Ray said that Dave had just had surgery to remove a benign brain tumor and was doing well and it was great to see him back. Dave got a standing ovation. Dave thanked everyone for calls and cards.

#### **Finance & Budget Commission:**

Commission Chairman Raymond Giehll, Jr. reported that the 2019-20 budget had been finalized at a special meeting of the Committee at Post 492 in February. The budget includes a raise in the Detachment dues. The Detachment had not had a dues raise since 2001.

PDC Raymond Giehll, Jr. made a motion to raise the Detachment of Indiana annual dues by \$3 per member for a total of \$8 per member, effective with the 2020 membership cards, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC

Joe Schultis. Chairman Giehl went over some of the items the raise in dues would cover, the most important of those is that it would pay for an employee for the Sons at Department Headquarters. PDC Spaulding said he had heard rumors of a possible National dues increase. PDC Mark Tansel said he had spoken to the National Finance Commission Chairman who said he did not see an increase in the National dues at this time. PDC Carlton said it would be great to have dedicated employee. PDC Schultis said it would be up to the individual squadrons if they wanted to raise their dues. Motion passed.

The Committee voted to make a \$1000 donation to HVAF in the name of the Department Auxiliary. It will come from the Veterans Assistance line item.

SAL member Jeff Coulter came before the Committee. Jeff asked about making a donation to Roman's Warriors. The Committee decided to not act now and wait to see the outcome of the Department's relationship with Roman's Warriors.

The Committee received a budget request from the IVH Committee that was the same as last year. The Committee accepted the request.

PDC Raymond Giehl, Jr. made a motion to accept the Finance & Budget Commission report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Mark Tansel. Motion passed.

### **Resolutions Committee:**

Chairman Mike Pipher said there were 9 resolution for offices. Those were in order and the resolutions were received and filed.

Ryan Kohlheim for Detachment Northern Vice Commander for 2019-20

Charles Gemlich for Detachment Sgt.-at-Arms for 2019-20

Paul rush for 4<sup>th</sup> District SAL Commander for 2019-20

Thomas Potts for 2<sup>nd</sup> District SAL Commander for 2019-20

Dennis Budd for Detachment Northern Vice Commander for 2019-20

Robert Bowie for 1<sup>st</sup> District SAL Commander for 2019-20

Brian Englert for 8<sup>th</sup> District SAL Commander for 2019-20

Garry Miller for 7<sup>th</sup> District SAL Commander for 2019-20

Dewey Long for Detachment Finance Officer for 2019--22

Chairman Pipher read a resolution from Squadron 83 establishing the Teddy Braun SAL Valor Award.

PDC Mike Pipher made a motion to accept the Teddy Braun SAL Valor Award, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Terry Slagle. Motion passed.

PDC Pipher made a motion to accept the Resolutions Committee report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC James Arter. Motion passed.

NEC Mike Pipher gave an NEC report. Mike said that at National Convention there are Committees formed that meet on Friday. If any member attending the National Convention wants to sit on one of those Committees see Mike.

### **Sons in Need Committee:**

Chairman Greg Wagner reported Sons in Need drawing will be tonight at the Commander's Party. Tickets will be on sale tonight. There have been \$5200 in ticket sales.

Paul rush has SIN ball caps for \$15.

Booneville Squadron 200 received payment for their SIN application.

There will be a photo booth at the Commander's Party with a Spring and Easter theme.

There will be a Golf Outing sponsored by Post 47 on May 5<sup>th</sup> for the SIN program. The Outing will be at Riverbend Golf Club.

Tennyson Squadron 463 will be having a Spot Shoot on May 18<sup>th</sup> for the SIN program.

Chairman Wagner asked for any donations to the SIN program:

Squadron 95	\$100
Squadron 216	\$504
Squadron 241	\$250
Squadron 47	\$400
4 <sup>th</sup> District	\$3000
Squadron 182	\$500
7 <sup>th</sup> District	\$100
Squadron 73	\$100
Squadron 61	\$200
Squadron 252	\$50

PDC David Stephens made a motion to accept the Sons in Need Committee report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC James Arter. Motion passed.

### **Membership Committee:**

Chairman Raymond Giehll, III said that there were 625 cards turned in today. The Detachment is at 89.86%. We are in 22<sup>nd</sup> place Nationally.

Chairman Giehll said as always everyone is in first place. Tony Beckham has working hard and is still learning.

When you get additional cards Indiana is on the cards but not the squadron number. The squadron number must be on the card or National will send them back to Department. It creates extra work for the Department staff.

The cutoff date for preprinted cards is May 8<sup>th</sup>. There is a card turn in on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Giehll said that squadrons should not be holding cards for more than 30 days. Holding cards is only bad for the member.

Chairman Giehll gave out \$25 membership checks to the goal Districts.

Target 7, 65%                      Districts 4, 7, 9 & 11. Retention leader: 4<sup>th</sup> District.

Target 8, 75%                      District 7 & 4. Retention leader: 4<sup>th</sup> District

Target 9, 85%                      No one reach goal

Chairman Giehll passed out continuous membership Certificates to Squadrons 58, 502, 507, 117, 308.

Chairman Giehll drew the Squadron winner from the goal squadrons for \$750. The winner was Squadron 424.

PDC Mark Tansel said there were still 4 Squadrons on zero and wanted to know how that was possible this late in the year. The Squadrons PDC Tansel was referring to are all defunct squadrons, they stay on the membership roster for 2 years unless the Post turns in the Charter.

PDC Mike Pipher asked if we had a date to stuff cards for 2020. Chairman Giehll said that we will not know that until the week the cards come to Department.

PDC Greg Spaulding made a motion to accept the Membership Committee report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Dewey Long. Motion passed.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Convention Committee Chairman Dewey Long came forward to complete his Committee's report. The Committee decided to suspend the Kid's Party for the 2019 Detachment Convention. The Committee will review ideas for a Kid's Party at future conventions.

PDC Dewey Long made a motion to accept the Convention Committee report, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC David Brown. Motion passed.

NEC Mike Pipher said that he has the quilt the Detachment bought at the NEC for \$600. Mike said he needs ideas to make our money back on the quilt and make a donation to CWF.

PDC David Hanson made a motion to raffle the quilt during the Detachment Convention, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC Greg Spaulding. Motion passed.

### **New Business:**

Judge Advocate Richard Pfeiffer came forward and read a letter concerning delegate strength, delegate voting and delegate registration. There was discussion on how delegates were counted. Judge Advocate Pfeiffer said he would correct the letter and have it sent with the Delegate Registration forms.

PDC Mark Tansel made a motion to not seat late certified squadrons at the Detachment Convention starting in 2019, 2<sup>nd</sup> PDC David Brown. Motion defeated.

### **Sick Call & Relief:**

PNC David Stephens thanked everyone for the cards and calls he received while recovering. Glenn Nagel said his twin brother Craig had a liver transplant and was in the ICU unit. Dave Brown thanked all who came to the testimonial dinner for PDC Dave Mathews.

### **Correspondence:**

Asst. Adjutant Giehll, Jr. read a thank you letter from PDC Dave Mathews. He thanked everyone who attended the testimonial dinner that Post & Squadron 65 had for him.

Asst. Adjutant Giehll said that he had talked to PDC Damon Bradtmueller before the meeting and that Damon was not feeling well today. Damon said that he wanted everyone to know how grateful he and his family were for all the members who attended his mother's viewing and funeral.

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

There will be a Southern Caucus in the hall immediately following this meeting.

Jimmy Martin said he was having a Hospitality Room for his candidacy for Detachment Commander in room 580.

There will be a Northern Caucus in the hall immediately following this meeting.

There will be a PDC meeting in this room 30 minutes after this meeting.

David Mummert said he was having a Hospitality Room for his candidacy for Detachment Commander in room 570.

Mike Pipher said he has 4 SIN Raffle tickets to sell.

Commander Heiser asked for any additional donations:

District 7, Homeless Veterans	\$100
District 4, CWF	\$6000
Squadron 169, CWF	\$1000
Squadron 502, Riley Hospital	\$502
Squadron 502, CMN	\$502
Squadron 502, CWF	\$502
Squadron 502, CWF	\$502

Glenn Nagel would like hole sponsor checks today if possible.

The Detachment website address is [www.indianasal.org](http://www.indianasal.org).

With no further business to come before the meeting Commander Heiser called on Chaplain Huffman for a closing prayer. Chaplain Huffman gave a closing prayer. With a right hand salute to the Flag of Our Nation, the meeting was closed at 3:24 pm