



**Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Indiana
Pre-Convention DEC
Detachment Executive Committee Meeting
July 9, 2021**

Commander Jimmy Martin opened the meeting at 7:34 pm with a right hand salute to the Colors of our Nation. Chaplain Jeff Gresley said an opening prayer. The POW/MIA flag was placed by Northern Vice Commander Jay Huffman and Southern Vice Commander Jeff Coulter. Sgt.-at-Arms Charles Gemlich led the Pledge of Allegiance. Northern Vice Commander Ryan Kohlheim led the Preamble to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion. The Blue Star Banner was in place.

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

Commander:	James Martin	
Northern Vice Commander:	Ryan Kohlheim	
Northern Vice Commander:	Jay Huffman	
Southern Vice Commander:	Parry Schlimmer	(EX)
Southern Vice Commander:	Jeffrey Coulter	
Adjutant:	Steven Tansel	(EX)
Asst. Adjutant:	Raymond Giehll, Jr.	
Asst. Adjutant:	Joe Schultis	
Asst. Adjutant:	James Arter Sr.	
Finance Officer:	Dewey Long	
Chaplain:	Jeff Gresley	
Historian:	Fred Motley	
Sgt.-at-Arms:	Charles Gemlich	
Sgt.-at-Arms Emeritus:	Galen Close	(EX)
Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms:	Garrett Gilmore	
Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms:	William Barnett	
Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms:	Logan Pipher	
Judge Advocate:	Richard Pfeiffer	(EX)
Asst. Judge Advocate:	Mark Franke	
Membership Chairman:	Greg Wagner	
Public Relations Director:	Paul Rush	
NEC:	Mike Pipher	
Alt. NEC:	Greg Spaulding	

District Commanders:

1 st :	Robert Bowie	
2 nd :	Tom Potts	
3 rd :	Richard Reed	
4 th :	Paul Rush	
5 th :	Jay Huffman	
6 th :	Mike Tolley	
7 th :	Gary Miller	
8 th :	Brian Englert	
9 th :	Brian Hauser	
10 th :	Dave Brown	(UNEX)
11 th :	David Miller	

Past Detachment Commanders:

David Stephens	Don Stephens	James Arter
Raymond Giehll, Jr	Terry Slagle	David Ridenour
Mark Tansel	Mike Pipher	David Hanson
Greg Spaulding	Kirk Rewerts	Chris Carlton
Joe Schultis	Dewey Long	Doug Heiser
Jimmy Martin		

District Advisors:

3 rd :	Alex Magyar
7 th :	Larry Dent

Commander Martin called for the reading of the previous minutes.

PDC David Hanson made a motion to accept the minutes as emailed, 2nd 11th District Commander David Miller. Motion passed.

Commander Martin called on David Stephens to introduce guests.

David Stephens then introduced these guests:

Raymond Giehll, Jr., Past National Commander
David Stephens, Past National Commander
Joe Schultis, National Chairman Member Training & Development Committee
Mark Tansel, National Internal Affairs Commission Chairman
Chris Carlton, 2nd Leading Candidate for Sons of The American Legion National Commander
David Ridenour, National Asst. Adjutant
Doug Heiser, Member of the Public & Media Communications Commission
David asked that all Past Detachment Commanders to stand and be recognized.

David asked all first time attendees to stand and be recognized.

Mike Pipher, NEC

Greg Spaulding, Alt. NEC

Commander Martin asked for any Commission & Committee reports.

Resolutions Chairman Mike Pipher read a resolution for David Pearson for 6th District Commander for 2021-22. It was accepted and filed.

POW/MIA Chairman Ron Rippenger said that 38 had been recovered from the USS Oklahoma, 12 from the Korean War, 12 from WWII, 1 from Vietnam. 2 of the recovered were from Indiana, they were interred in the at the Cemetery of the Pacific on 6/15/21

PDC David Stephens made a motion to accept the report, 2nd PDC Joe Schultis. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Commander Martin appointed the following Convention Committee chairmen & Credentials Committee.

Children & Youth: Jeff Coulter

Americanism: Dennis Budd

Community Service: Chris Carlton

Resolutions: Mike Pipher

Credentials: Mark Franke, Joe Schultis, Mark Tansel

PDC Giehll made a motion to accept the appointments, 2nd PDC Joe Schultis. Motion passed.

Sick Call & Relief:

Doug Heiser said that Jay Rawley was having heart surgery to replace a valve on 7/21/21

Correspondence: None

Good of the SAL:

Mark Tansel made a donation of \$250 for the Commander's project from Squadron 230.

Raymond Giehll said that 2nd District Commander Tom Potts & Northern Vice Commander Ryan Kohlheim were not in the proper cap and suggested a donation to the Commander's project.

Joe Schultis said he still needs CSRs.

Mike Tolley gave a \$100 donation to CWF & \$100 donation to SINS both from Squadron 341. Greg Spaulding thanked the Convention Committee for arranging the wreath laying at the Medal of Honor Memorial. Greg said there was a good turnout. Greg said Chris Carlton's speech was also very good.

Doug Heiser said the ceremony is on the Detachment Facebook page.

Commander Martin said that there are new pictures of the campout on the Detachment website. Commander Martin thanked Jay Huffman and Squadron 95 for hosting the campout.

Acting Adjutant Giehll said that the Convention Chairmen need to see Asst. Adjutant Joe Schultis after the meeting to go over tabulations for awards.

With no further business to come before the meeting Commander Martin called on Chaplain Gresley for a closing prayer. Chaplain Gresley gave a closing prayer. With a right hand salute to the Flag of Our Nation, the meeting was closed at 8:02 pm.