Precon
Board of Director Meeting Minutes
The Doubletree Hotel, by Hilton, Denver, Colorado
September 18th, 2019

Call to Order: The TREA Pre-Convention Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 0900 by President Phil Hilinski.

Invocation: Chaplain/Director Hazel Simeon

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by President Phil Hilinski

Roll Call: Performed by Parliamentarian Flowers (filling in for Parliamentarian Charles White who was unable to attend the convention)

Phil Hilinski, President
Justin Jump, 2nd Vice President
Deb Oelschig, Treasurer
CD Rice, Jr, Director
Clayton Aaron, Director
Charlie Flowers, Parliamentarian
Rick Delany, TCSL Chairman
Debbie Osborne, DFO/Secretary

Guests
Butch Liebaert – Chapter 119, Horace Little – MAL, Andy Franko – Chapter 111, Rusty Dean – Chapter 39, George Smith – Chapter 80/PNP, Shannon Benton - Executive Director of TSCL

New Business

- Credential Committee Report, (Tab 4) – Director Rice
  - Director Rice reported that there were 3 resumes received for the two open Director positions: Clarence ‘CJ’ Johnson, Lonny Barrett and Daisy Brown
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
- President’s Report, (Tab 5) – President Hilinski
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
- Convention Committee Report, (Tab 6) – President Hilinski
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
- Public Relations Committee Report, (Tab 7) – 1st Vice Barnett
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- Scholarship Committee Report, (Tab 8) – 1st Vice Barnett
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- Membership Committee Report, (Tab 9) – 2nd Vice Jump
  - IPNP Adams asked DFO Osborne to send to the board the letters that go out to new and renewing members asking them for analytical data (branch of service, dates of service, birth month & year, etc.)
  - Membership Chair asked DFO Osborne to send a report of all analytical data that has been received since we started requesting such data.
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- Five-Year Plan Report, (Tab 10) – 3rd Vice Coley
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- Information Technology Committee Report, (Tab 11) – Director Johnson
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- Past National President’s Council Report, (Tab 12) – IPNP Adams
  - IPNP Adams discussed his meeting with the PNP’s that was held on Tuesday, September 17th.
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- Awards Committee Report, (Tab 13) – IPNP Adams
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- VSO report, (Tab 14) – Michael Gales
  - Mr. Gales reported that he is still in the basic VSO course and that it will take some time before he is fully accredited and able to fully assist veterans with VSO claims
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- National Auxiliary Report, (Tab 15) – presented by President Hilinski
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
  - The Senior Citizen’s League Report, (Tab 16) – TSCL Chairman Delaney
  - The Trademark acceptance letter was handed out to all board members and to DFO to be submitted into the official TREA files secured at HQ.
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
- Legislative Affairs Committee Report, (Tab 17) – Director Aaron
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
- Washington Office Report, (Tab 18) – Director of Veterans and Military Policy, Greenberg
  - Mr. Greenberg provided and update to his existing report and announced that he will be presenting a special report on Suicided Prevention initiatives to the delegates at the business meeting.
- Without Objection - Report accepted
- National Headquarters Report, (Tab 19) – DFO Osborne
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
- Future Annual Membership Meeting locations submissions, (Tab 21)
  - No discussion
- Bylaws and Standing Rules, (Tab 20) – Director Simeon
  - Without Objection - Report accepted
Treasurer’s/Financial Report and Budget presentation, (Tab 22) – Treasurer Oelschig

- Treasurer Oelschig submitted the hotel estimated liability statement that showed that the hotel charges alone for the 2019 convention stand to be an estimated $67K. This does not take into account other expenses associated with the convention, such as airfare, printing, bags, byproducts (giveaways, decoration, etc.). Treasurer Oelschig again reiterated that the convention, as it currently stands, is not a fiscally responsible use of fundraising and membership funds.

- Without Objection - Report accepted

A brief break for a working lunch – all non-voting members of the board were dismissed.

- USAA – Laura Lule.
- Ms. Lule discussed the new initiative program that Brian Collins (USAA) will be working with TREA on. She stated that with the high number of requests for this program, it might not be initiated until early 2020. All efforts will be made to get something started in the remaining months of 2019.

Adjournment of regular meeting at 1400.

Begin Executive Session

Submitted by Secretary/DFO Osborne 9/26/2019
Approved by Parliamentarian Flowers October 2nd, 2019