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Region 9 Director's Report

To start off my report, I would again, like to thank the membership of Region 9 for their confidence and support in electing me to be the Director of Region 9 at the AVVA 2019 National Convention, Spokane, WA! Unlike other Veteran's Service Organizations, our term of office is two years, and this first year has been a great learning experiment for someone who hasn't been in school in 40 years. I haven't learned everything there is to be learned with this board, but I will endure to learn the most that I can.

Again, COVID-19 is depriving this board of another AVVA experience. The 2020 AVVA Leadership Conference and Board Meeting in Dayton, OH was cancelled and would have been another great learning experience for all involved. Instead we will hold the board meeting online like we did the April 2020 AVVA National Board of Directors meeting

Speaking of the April 2020 AVVA National Board of Directors meeting, three days, four hour meetings each day, and all done with GoTo Meeting. We deliberated a total of approximately 30 motions and policy changes and passed 27 of them. To see what we discussed, read the Online Board of Directors Meeting minutes. Use the following link to access the minutes: <u>April BOD Minutes</u>.

It has been a chaotic year, so far. Make plans, plan to adjust, and cancel plans. But that doesn't mean that we haven't been working in the background. Our Webmaster has improved the look and feel of the AVVA website. It's not the sea of Kelly Green anymore. Take a few minutes and browse the website at <u>avva.org</u>.

Together Always!

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