



## **ASSOCIATES OF VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC.**

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Annual Membership Meeting  
July 26, 2018  
Renaissance Resort Hotel  
Palm Springs, CA

### **Call to Order:**

President Sharon Hobbs called the Annual Meeting of the AVVA to order at 2:00 PM on Thursday July 26, 2018 in the San Jacinto Room at the Renaissance Resort Hotel in Palm Springs, CA.

### **Opening Exercises:**

President Hobbs proclaimed a moment of silence and recognized Fran Davis, MO, National Chaplain, to lead the invocation. President Hobbs then recognized Elayne Mackey, CA, Vice President, to lead the assembly in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

### **Board of Directors Roll Call:**

Secretary Nina Schloffel called the roll.

President: Sharon Hobbs  
Vice President: Elayne Mackey  
Secretary: Nina Schloffel  
Treasurer: Kathy Andras  
Region 1: Joanne Blum  
Region 2: Nancy Rekowski  
Region 3: Kaye Gardner

Region 4: Jeri Wallis  
Region 5: Cecilia Essenmacher  
Region 6: Fran Davis  
Region 7: Terri Rangel  
Region 8: John Birch  
Region 9: Casey Farrell

Quorum established.

### **Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion #1** moved by Region 4, Jeri Wallis and seconded to accept the agenda as presented. – **ADOPTED**

### **General Orders:**

- A. **Officer Reports** – President Sharon Hobbs provided a summary of her recent activities and announced that a copy of AVVA accomplishments is attached to the agenda. Vice President Elayne Mackey greeted attendees and noted that she is excited to be back after an extended absence. Treasurer Kathy Andras



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reported that AVVA's Project Friendship goal of \$12,000 has been met. Secretary Nina Schloffel had no updates.

- B. **Board Reports** – Directors from Regions 1 – 9 provided summaries of activities within each of their respective regions.
- C. **Conference Report** – President Hobbs reported that the VVA handled registration for all attendees. There were 268 advance registered conference attendees, 49 of which are AVVA members. 93 tickets were sold for the AVVA Luncheon.
- D. **Committee Reports** – Updates provided by the Strategic Planning (Nancy Rekowski), Membership (Cecilia Essenmacher), and Elections (Kaye Gardner, Susie Meeks) committees.
- E. **National Foundation for Veterans and Families (NFVF)** – Update provided in letter by Chair Linda Yates (distributed to attendees).
- F. **In Memory Plaque** –President Hobbs announced that the top portion has been approved. It will be mounted on a raised platform at a date to be determined.
- G. **Financial Report** – Copies of the AVVA Financial Report were distributed to all attending members. There was little discussion and no questions were raised.

### **For the Good of the Order:**

The Officers and Regional Directors entertained questions from the membership.

### **Announcements:**

A new homepage and other upgrades are forthcoming on our website. Webmaster Joanna Henshaw was commended for her ongoing contributions to the AVVA website.

### **Adjournment:**

Having no further business, the Annual Membership Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM.

Submitted by,

*Nina D. Schloffel*

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Attachments



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2018 AVVA Awards  
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### **VISTA:**

VISTA Program Co-ordinator and Region 4 Director, Jeri Wallis presented certificates for the most VISTA hours submitted in their respective categories:

- Region: Region 3
- State: Tennessee State Association
- Chapter: Chapter 1004– Lebanon, Tennessee

Individuals awarded plaques for their outstanding contributions to the VISTA program are:

- First Place: Rita Clifton, Georgia – Chapter 772
- Second Place: Linda Myers, Tennessee – Chapter 1004
- Third Place: Linda Yates, Tennessee – Chapter 1004

### **Member of the Year and Fellowship Awards:**

AVVA President Sharon Hobbs presented the following awards:

- *Member of the Year:* Willa Burgess, Oregon
- *Fellowship:* Rosa Nevarez, Texas

### **Cathy Keister Spirit of Excellence Award:**

The *Cathy Keister Spirit of Excellence Award* is the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest honor conferred by the AVVA. This year's awardee is:

- Sandra Carl, North Carolina

### **AVVA Commendation Medal:**

The *AVVA Commendation Medal* is highest honor conferred by the AVVA. This year's awardees are:

- Susan Henthorn, Georgia
- Jake Barsottini, Pennsylvania



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**AVVA Luncheon Speaker:**

Air Force veteran Austin Wampler is a counselor at California's San Bernadino Vet Center. Austin gave a talk that addressed the implications of family support to the veteran's emotional health and overall wellbeing. In appreciation, AVVA President Sharon Hobbs presented Mr. Wampler with a monogrammed leather portfolio.

AVVA  
UNAUDITED STATEMENT of FINANCIAL POSITION  
For the Four Months Ending 6/30/2018

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

|                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| CASH                    | 170,447               |
| MONEY MARKET            | 311,887               |
| CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT | 88,283                |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE     | 3,020                 |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS    | <u>573,637</u>        |
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LIABILITIES and NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| ACCOUNTS PAYABLE           | 3,525        |
| DEFERRED REVENUE - DUES    | 806          |
| TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES: | <u>4,331</u> |

NET ASSETS:

|                                  |                       |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS          | 551,332               |
| CURRENT YEAR NET ASSETS          | 17,974                |
| TOTAL NET ASSETS                 | <u>569,306</u>        |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | <u><u>573,637</u></u> |

AVVA  
 UNAUDITED STATEMENT of ACTIVITIES  
 For the Four Months Ending 6/30/2018

|                                    | BUDGET<br>FY 2019 | ACTUAL<br>6/30/2018 | % to Date<br>33.33% |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>REVENUE &amp; SUPPORT</b>       |                   |                     |                     |
| CONVENTION/PRODUCT SALES           | 1,000             | 185                 |                     |
| CONTRIBUTIONS                      | 2,000             | 5,506               |                     |
| DUES - ANNUAL                      | 46,640            | 16,873              |                     |
| DUES - LIFE MEMBER                 | 50,230            | 26,495              |                     |
| INTEREST                           | 3,000             | 1,183               |                     |
| MISCELLANEOUS                      | 0                 | 83                  |                     |
| PRIOR YEAR EXCESS                  | 16,602            | 5,533               |                     |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE &amp; SUPPORT</b> | <b>119,472</b>    | <b>55,858</b>       | <b>46.75%</b>       |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                    |                   |                     |                     |
| AWARDS                             | 1,525             | 448                 |                     |
| CONSULTANTS                        | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| CONTRIBUTIONS                      | 4,500             | 0                   |                     |
| DEPRECIATION                       | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| DUES, SUBS, PUBS                   | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT              | 200               | 0                   |                     |
| INSURANCE                          | 3,000             | 1,304               |                     |
| INTEREST                           | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| MEETING FACILITIES                 | 600               | 373                 |                     |
| MESSENGER SERVICE                  | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| MISCELLANEOUS                      | 7,920             | 4,319               |                     |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES                    | 1,075             | 51                  |                     |
| PHOTOCOPYING                       | 100               | 23                  |                     |
| PHOTOGRAPHY                        | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| POSTAGE                            | 5,375             | 1,376               |                     |
| PRINTING                           | 9,385             | 2,777               |                     |
| PROFESSIONAL FEES                  | 2,200             | 1,958               |                     |
| PUBLIC RELATIONS                   | 750               | 495                 |                     |
| REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE              | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| SALARIES                           | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| SALARIES-BENEFITS                  | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| SHIPPING                           | 2,175             | 697                 |                     |
| TAXES, LICENSES, etc.              | 650               | 328                 |                     |
| TELEPHONE                          | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| TEMPORARY HELP                     | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT             | 0                 | 0                   |                     |
| TRAVEL - BOD                       | 40,779            | 11,521              |                     |
| TRAVEL - CONF/CONV                 | 22,713            | 4,047               |                     |
| TRAVEL & RELATED EXPENSES          | 16,525            | 2,634               |                     |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>              | <b>119,472</b>    | <b>32,351</b>       | <b>27.08%</b>       |
| NET EXCESS (DEFICIT)               |                   |                     |                     |
| <b>REVENUE over EXPENSES</b>       | <b>0</b>          | <b>17,974</b>       | <b>0.00%</b>        |