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MEMORANDUM FOR: Central Valley Chapter # 1551
Spirit of Sacramento Auxiliary Chapter # 0270

SUBJECT: NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (2 Jun 2021)

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours in person by Chapter Chairman CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan. There was no Zoom connection.
Pledge of Allegiance led by CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan
NCOA Creed read by MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase
Moment of silence observed

2. **Executive Committee Members:**

CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman, Present
MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow, Vice-Chairman, Absent
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns, Treasurer, Present
MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon, Secretary, Absent
MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler, Trustee, Absent
MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase, Trustee, Present

3. **Auxiliary Executive Committee Members:**

Karen Jamison, Vice Chairman, Absent
Scott Rodowick, Treasurer, Present

Tammy Sullivan, Chairman, Present
Judy Mabie, Secretary, Absent
Pam Wright, Trustee, Absent

4. **Members Present:**

SKCS (Ret) Norma von Dohren	MSgt (Ret) Shawn Simmons	TSgt (Ret) Orin Taylor, Sr
SFC (Ret) Whitley Varner	Jasmine Kearns, Auxiliary	Ellie Witt, Auxiliary

5. **Guests Present:** None

6. **Chairman's Comments:**

Regular: CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan opened the meeting informing the chapters that Sacramento County has moved into the Orange Tier meaning many Covid restrictions have been lifted. Rancho Cordova has started their Movies in the Park on Friday nights through the month of June. HQ NCOA has launched a membership drive to run through the month of June. The chapter signing up the most new members during the month will receive a \$250 check.

Auxiliary: Chairman Tammy Sullivan spoke about the letter received from the Sacramento Stand Down Association for their donation of \$100.

7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 130 Auxiliary: 86

8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns and Scott Rodowick gave their treasurers' reports.

Balance: Regular: \$ 4,196.53 Auxiliary: \$4,902.52
 JROTC: \$ 2,786.18

9. **Legislative:**

MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase discussed the following Legislative activities: The projected pay raise for military members is 2.7%. The Biden-Harris Administration submitted to Congress the President's Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Budget request of \$752.9 billion for national defense, \$715 billion of which is for the Department of Defense (DOD). MSgt (Ret) Shawn Simmons discussed AB1151, Driver's Licenses: Veteran Designation which attempts to eliminate the fee associated with such designation on the California Drivers license.

The following are additional websites providing useful information for both active duty and retirees: <https://www.cac.mil/coronavirus/Tricare>, AFSA - (<http://www.hqafsa.org>), <http://www.airforcemag.com/Pages/HomePage.aspx>, Veterans Administration - <https://www.va.gov>, and Military Times - (<http://www.militarytimes.com>).

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Website Update – No update. (Open)
- b. JROTC Update – Over 200 Medal orders were shipped. (Open)
- c. 2021 Conference – Scheduled for 20-23 Jul. Make hotel reservations prior to 20 Jun. MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow will escort the Marine Vanguard recipient. The Vanguard sponsorship check to be mailed in the month of July. (Open)
- d. Aerospace Museum of California – The Old Crow Café had their grand opening. Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday through Sunday. (Open)
- e. 2021 Calendar of Events – Mather Air Show, 25-26 Sep. (Open)

11. **New Business:**

- a. Rancho Cordova Business Expo – 24 Jun 21, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The chapter will be providing free hot dogs at the event. A job fair is also included in the event. Volunteers are needed. (Open)
- b. William Jessup Scholarship Program - CMSgt (Retired) Sullivan, MSgt (Ret) Grabow and MSgt (Ret) Lynn participated in the evaluation process for scholarships for WJU. (Closed)
- c. MSgt (Ret) Shawn Simmons participated in an event held at VFW Post 904 where children made hand-made cards thanking veterans for their service. He shared many cards with the members. Several were read aloud at the meeting. Thank you for sharing Shawn! (Closed)
- d. Auxiliary Secretary Judy Mabie resigned her position. Auxiliary Chairman Sullivan will work with her membership to fill the vacancy. (Open)

Meeting adjourned at 1945 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 7 Jul 2021 at 1900 hours and will be held both in person at the VFW and online with ZOOM. MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow will send out an email with information to attend; please respond to his message so you can register.

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JAMES SULLIVAN, CMSgt, USAF (Ret)
Chapter Chairman

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SCOTT RODOWICK
Auxiliary Chapter Secretary