



Sons of The American Legion
National Executive Committee

**Minutes of the
National Commission and
National Committee Meetings**

October 1-2, 2021

**Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel
Indianapolis, Indiana**



Veterans Employment and Education Commission

Opening:

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am on October 2, 2021 in the Circle Centre Room of the Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre Hotel by Chairman Joseph R. Navarrete (NM, 2022).

Roll Call:

Chairman:	<u>Joseph R. Navarrete (NM, 2022)</u>	Members:	<u>William Sheehan (MA, 2022) Excused</u>
Vice Chairman:	<u>James M. Coates (NY, 2023)</u>		<u>Gregory N. "Nick" Arceo (CO, 2023)</u>
Secretary:	<u>Lyle G. Larson (KS)</u> Acting National Assistant Adjutant		<u>Fredric Vaccarella (VA, 2024)</u>
Liaison:	<u>Eugene Sacco (CA) Absent</u> Past National Commander		<u>Richard M. "Doc" Pfeiffer (IN, 2024)</u>

Guests: Jeff Lee (VA), Tim Conway (OH), Robert L. Bristo (MN)

Reading of the Previous Meeting Minutes:

There being no objections, Chairman Navarrete declared the minutes of the Spring 2021 meeting approved as published.

Reports of Members:

Chairman Joseph Navarrete: Thanked the Commission for all their hard work and encouraged them to continue. The mission statement was read.

The goals for this year are as follows.

Increase Detachment VE&E participation by 10%.

Encourage local job fairs and employment opportunities.

Provide resources to end Veteran's Homelessness.

Vice Chairman Jim Coates: We sent out updates and are working on getting our contacts updated. Still sending out weekly updates. Employment opportunities will be sent out to assure more people know about these things. Please make sure we nominate people who deserve to be recognized for awards that are available.

William Sheehan: No report

Nick Arceo: Working on Contact list. Communication is the key to success with this Commission. Please keep in mind to nominate deserving members for the Marvin P Nay award as well as other awards that are available. Keep trying to get each Detachment to start a VE&E Commission. Suggested Operating Procedures information is available to help start the Detachment VE&E Commission.

Fred Vaccarella: We have started a VE&E in Virginia. We have already had 2 job fairs. Trying to get more Detachments to start a VE&E commission. We are updating our mailing list and our contact points. Trying to find different ways to help homeless Veterans get back on their feet and become self-sufficient.

Doc Pfeiffer: Trying to get contact points from all the Detachments. Sending out updates to all we have.

Old Business:

PowerPoint was created and sent to the PNC Panel for their feedback,

The chairman will keep the Commission members updated on the PNC panel suggestions and will move this forward as possible.

Suggested Operating Procedures for Detachments distributed,
This is now available, and it has been sent out.



Improving regional messaging distribution and how can we track information from the Detachments. We should be getting a list of VE&E Commission members from each Detachment in the coming year. In addition, we will formulate an email distribution network including the Detachment Commanders and Detachment Adjutants. Just imagine what our distribution network would look like and how many people we could reach,
The Commission is working on getting this accomplished. Hope to have information available soon.

Tri-Fold Brochure is awaiting Legion approval,
Working on getting the Legion suggestions accomplished. The Chairman will check on this and inform the Commission Members on progress made.

New Business:

None

Resolutions:

No. S.A.L. Resolution 1 – Fall, 2021

Title: Recognizing Recipients of the “Marvin P. Nay Outstanding Veterans Employment and Education Contributor of the Year Award”

Origin: Veterans Employment and Education Commission

Motion: Approve resolution as presented

Maker: Richard M. “Doc” Pfeiffer (IN)

Second: Fredric Vaccarella (VA)

Discussion: None

Action: Passed Unanimously

For the Good of the Sons of The American Legion:

Leading Candidate for National Commander Chris Carlton (IN) addressed the Commission. Addressed the Commission and thanked them for their hard work. Keep pushing our mission goals.

Closing:

With no further business to consider, _____ Chairman Joseph R. Navarrete (NM, 2022) _____ adjourned the meeting
at 11:03 am .