

MINUTES MID-SOUTH CHAPTER MVPA

April 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by President Bob McFarland at the Mid-South Military Museum. Ten club members were present. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by prayer by Chaplain James Rone.

Dave & Lily Huff and Ken Pettit were thanked for providing refreshments for today's meeting.

Sick List: no reports of anyone being sick.

The minutes of the last club meeting on March 19, 2016 were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer James Rone reported that the balance in the club checking account is \$2,873.95.

OLD BUSINESS:

Club web site: msmvpa.weebly.com – everyone is urged to go on the web site and give Winn your feedback and any information that needs to be added. We will add the bylaws to the site at some point.

Atoka BBQ Fest and Car Show, April 2 – Bob McFarland, Brandon McFarland and Dave Huff had vehicles in the car show. Bob won the first place trophy in the Military class for his mule. He won by default because Brandon and Dave left before the judging was completed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discovery Park, Union City, TN – Memorial Day weekend, May 28 – 30, 2016.

Set-up day is Friday, May 27

Rooms are reserved for 3 nights (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) at Quality Inn on the left when entering Union City.. A total of 12 rooms have been reserved, 3 of which are handicapped rooms. President McFarland will check to make sure the rooms are no smoking.

Caution: There are speed traps and cameras at the red lights in Union City.

We will be breaking down and leaving Monday afternoon

Breakfast will be at the motel, Lunch provided at the Park, Dinner on your own or possibly at the

train station if offered.

If you have items to sell, I will have a vendor trailer on site. The Park gets 20% of the sales.

Bring your own chairs.

There will be a USO dance at the train station on Saturday night.

There will be cardboard boat races on Saturday.

Keep up with your fuel costs if you bring a vehicle so you can be reimbursed by the Park.

The main Museum will be open to us at no cost but you will have to pay for any of the special exhibits.

Wear the uniform that matches your vehicle era or the club uniform.

President McFarland will check on the gate passes to get into the back gate. If you do not have a gate pass, just tell them over the intercom who you are with and they should let you in.

There will be a church service at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday under the parachute tent.

The First Aid station will be in the Vendor trailer.

Ken and Barbara Pettit will be bringing their M38A1 and trailer.

TJ Lund & his girlfriend Carrie Cowart (friends of Ray Knox) will be hauling McFarland's M38 with Jesse Freyaldenhoven's truck and trailer.

George Jones has 25 reenactors and two WWII jeeps coming.

Newell Graham and his son will be displaying WWII weapons.

Tank man from Missouri, Chris Kultz, will be bringing a M4 Sherman tank.

Bob McFarland will be bringing a tepee, Russian tent, Kitchen tent and GP small tent.

George Jones will be bring 2 GP small tents.

Halls Air Show will be August 13, one day only.

Welcome new members: Robert and Crystal Shaw, Dover, TN.

Business Cards for the Museum and the club – President McFarland and Brandon McFarland will work on getting some printed.

Ray Knox has scanned into his computer the club bylaws, SOP and uniform sheets from the Field Manual. President McFarland will be e-mailing them out to members before the next meeting. Everyone needs to read them before our next meeting when we will be discussing any changes to the

bylaws. Club members have begun reviewing the bylaws and making changes. They hope to complete this process at the next club meeting.

Bob Van Keuren has gotten his HAM radio license.

Ray Knox and President McFarland will discuss the Smile Account on Amazon at the next meeting.

Rose Lightfoot will continue to do the club newsletter and e-mail it but she will no longer provide hard copies. President McFarland will try to make hard copies of the last newsletter and have them at our next meeting. Please continue to send Rose pictures & articles for the newsletter.

MUSEUM NEWS:

We will start back to work on the Museum when we get enough people to work and the weather gets nicer.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned. Our next club meeting will be Saturday, May 21 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mid-South Military Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara McFarland - Secretary

