



**Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Indiana
Detachment Executive Committee
Post Convention
Merrillville, IN
June 28, 2009**

Commander Steve Tansel opened the meeting in due form with a right-hand salute to the colors of our nation at 12:15 PM. Acting Chaplain Dave Hanson led the prayer. Northern Vice Commander Greg Spalding led the Pledge and the Preamble.

Commander Tansel called for a roll call of officers. Acting Adjutant Damon Bradtmueller made a roll call of officers which showed the following in attendance.

Commander:	Steve Tansel
Northern Vice Commander:	Greg Spalding
Northern Vice Commander:	Dan Conkling
Southern Vice Commander:	Raymond Giehll III (EX)
Southern Vice Commander:	Dewey Long
Finance Officer:	Raymond Giehll Jr.
Sgt-at-Arms:	James Naylor
NEC:	Roland Baker
Alt. NEC:	Harrell Sorrels

District Commanders:

1st	Robert Bowie	2nd	John Beal
3rd	Darin Batten	4th	Joe Wolff
5th	Mike Sheets	6th	Jim Staggs
7th	Randy Blake (EX)	8th	Mike Maples
9th	Cliff Williamson	10th	Charles Allen
11th	Chris Carlton		

District Advisors:

6th	Rodney Strong	11th	Duane Alexander
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Past Detachment Commanders:

Cliff Stephens	David Stephens
James Arter, Sr.	Raymond Giehll Jr.
Terry Slagle	George Evans
Damon Bradtmueller	Dave Ridenour
Dave Siggers	Harrell Sorrels
Richard Pfeiffer	Mark Tansel
Mike Sheets	Mike Pipher
Duane Alexander	

PDC Giehll moved to suspend the reading of the minutes until printed, 2nd by PDC M. Tansel. Motion passed.

Commander Tansel read his appointed officers list as follows.

Adjutant:	Damon Bradtmueller
Asst. Adjutant:	James Arter Sr.
Asst. Adjutant:	Duane Alexander
Chaplain:	Dave Hanson
Asst. Sgt-at-Arms:	Galen Close
Asst. Sgt-at-Arms:	Logan Pipher
Asst. Sgt-at-Arms:	Westley Brock
Judge Advocate:	Terry Slagle
Membership Chairman:	Mike Arend
Public Relations Chairman:	Mike Pipher

PDC Arter moved to accept the appointments, 2nd by PDC C. Stephens. Motion passed.

Commander Tansel then read his list of Commission and Committee chairmen and members as follows.

<u>Americanism Commission:</u>	Commission Chairman, Glen Nagel Member, Dewey Long Member, Raymond Giehll, III
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Athletic	Committee Chairman, Dewey Long Member, Mark Tansel Member, Randy Blake
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Boys State	Committee Chairman, Greg Spaulding Member, James Arter, Sr. Member, Doc Pfeiffer Member, Joe Wolff Member, Westley Brock Member, Cliff Stephens
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Religious Emphasis

Committee Chairman, David Hanson
Member, Mike Sorrels
Member, John Widmann

Children & Youth Commission:

Commission Chairman, Kellis Allen
Member, George Evans
Member, Harrell Sorrels
Member, David Siggers

Americanism & Government

Committee Chairman, Bill Barnett
Member, Dan Douglas
Member, Jim Staggs
Member, Bob Bowie

Child Welfare Foundation

Committee Chairman, Jim Naylor
Member, Phil Purdy
Member, Dave Keck
Member, Galen Close

Junior Shooting Sports

Committee Chairman, Jeff Bunge
Member, Jake Weber
Member, Frank Orsini
Member, Dave Ridenour

Knightstown Home

Committee Chairman, Bill Robeson
Member, David Siggers
Member, Bob Zimmer

Oratorical

Committee Chairman, Chris Carlton
Member, Jeff Lewis
Member, Mike Sheets
Member, Bill Barnett

Riley Children's Hospital

Committee Chairman, Kirk Rewerts
Member, Mike Sorrels
Member, Barry Confer
Member, John Beal

Special Olympics

Committee Chairman, Westley Brock
Member, Charlie Allen
Member, Logan Pipher
Member, Terry Slagle
Member, Ryan Strong

Internal Affairs Commission:

Commission Chairman, Gary Gregory
3-yr. Member, Duane Alexander
2-yr. Member, Mike Sheets
1-yr. Member, Mike Pipher

Community Involvement

Committee Chairman, Mike Maples
Member, David Hanson
Member, Barry Confer
Member, Duane Alexander

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Committee Chairman, Ron Sexton
2-yr. Member, Buddy Richmer
2-yr. Member, Kirk Rewerts
1-yr. Member, Raymond Giehll, Jr.
1-yr. Member, John Widmann

Information and Training

Committee Chairman, Duane Alexander
Member, Terry Slagle
Member, Raymond Giehll, Jr.

Information Technology

Committee Chairman, Darin Batten
Member, Bill Pipher
Member, Mike Pipher

Legislative

Committee Chairman, Dan Conkling
Member, David Ridenour
Member, George Evans
Member, John Barnes

Membership

Committee Chairman, Mike Arend
Member, Maurice King
Member, Dale Bock
Member, Rodger Brown
Member, Brian Forray

Public Relations	Committee Chairman, Terry Slagle Member, Brian Hauser Member, John Ferrand Member, Darin Batten
Scholarship	Committee Chairman, Bill Barnett Member, Steve Bedows Member, Lester Luke
Squadron Expansion	Committee Chairman, Mike Arend Member, Gary Gregory, Ex-Officio Detachment Vice Commanders District Commanders
<u>Rehabilitation Commission:</u>	Commission Chairman, Dwayne Alliss 3-yr. Member, Jim Naylor 2-yr. Member, Mike Maples 1-yr. Member, Dan Conkling
Homeless Veterans	Committee Chairman, Kevin Brislen Member, Harrell Sorrels Member, Cliff Williamson Member, Kellis Allen
Indiana Veterans Home (IVH)	Committee Chairman, Pat Phillips Member, James Arter, Sr. Member, Galen Close Member, George Evans
POW/MIA	Committee Chairman, Brian Hauser Member, Kevin Brislen Member, Dwayne Alliss Member, Dave Keck
VAVS	Committee Chairman, Phil Purdy Member, Jim Staggs Member, Charlie Allen
<u>Stand-Alone Committees:</u>	
Distinguished Guests	Committee Chairman, Raymond Giehll, Jr. Member, Mark Tansel Member, David Ridenour Member, Roland Baker

Finance and Budget

Committee Chairman, Duane Alexander
3-yr. Member, Raymond Giehll, Jr.
2-yr. Member, Buddy Richmer
1-yr. Member, Glen Nagel

Resolutions

Committee Chairman, Mike Sheets
Member, Mike Pipher
Member, Roland Baker
Member, Gary Gregory
Member, Doc Pfeiffer

PDC Slagle moved to keep the Campout Committee, 2nd by PDC C. Stephens. Motion passed.

Commander Tansel made the following appointments to the Campout Committee.

Detachment Campout

Committee Chairman, Raymond Giehll, III
Member, Bill Robeson
Member, Paul Wilkerson
Member, James Arter, Sr.

PDC Giehll moved to accept the Commission and Committee chairmen and members, 2nd by PDC Sorrels. Motion passed.

There was discussion on the timeliness of items sent to be placed on the Detachment website.

PDC Strong made a motion to have all the awards except the trophies be presented on the Saturday session of the Convention, 2nd by PDC C. Stephens. Motion passed.

PDC Strong made a motion for the Commission chairmen to give highlights of their Committee reports to help streamline the DEC meetings, 2nd by PDC D. Stephens. Motion passed.

Commander Tansel appointed NVC Greg Spalding as the Executive Vice Commander. PDC M. Tansel moved to accept the appointment, 2nd by PDC C. Stephens. Motion passed.

Sick Call:

Gary Gregory

Galen Close

With no further business to come before this meeting, Commander Tansel called on Chaplain Hanson for a closing prayer. Following the prayer, Commander Tansel ordered a right-hand salute to the Flag of our nation, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.