

Meeting Minutes: 103rd Annual Disabled American Veterans Department of Arizona Convention Pre-Convention DEC Meeting

Call to Order The meeting was called to order for the opening ceremony of the 103rd Annual Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Department of Arizona Convention. The session opened with a prayer led by the Chaplain, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Officers A roll call was conducted to establish a quorum. Attendees included the Commander, Senior Vice Commanders, Treasurer, and representatives from various chapters. It was confirmed that 14 members were present, satisfying the requirement for a quorum.

Installation of Officers The Adjutant performed the installation of newly elected officers. Juan Salas was formally administered the oath of office, pledging to uphold the constitution and bylaws of the organization and to serve the interests of wartime disabled veterans and their dependents.

Approval of Minutes A motion was made to accept the proceedings of the 2025 midterm conference.

- **Motion:** John Crockett
- **Second:** A participant
- **Result:** Motion carried.

Reading of Convention Rules The rules governing the convention were read into the record, covering parliamentary authority (Robert's Rules of Order), recognition protocols, debate limits (five minutes per speaker), and resolution submission requirements.

A point of order was raised regarding the dissemination of these rules. It was clarified that the rules were included in the registration packets.

- **Motion to Amend:** A participant moved to amend the acceptance of the rules to state "as read and partially distributed."
- **Second:** John Crockett
- **Result:** The amendment and the amended motion both carried.

Treasurer's Report and Budget Review Treasurer Karvinen presented the proposed budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. Key financial highlights and adjustments included:

- **General Income:** Projected at \$105,200.
- **Service Income:** Totaled \$139,850.03, including \$100,000 projected from the golf tournament.
- **Expenditures:** Total expenses for service and general accounts are projected at \$935,910.05.

- **Notable Adjustments:** Increases in national travel budgets due to rising airfare and hotel costs; a "spend down" plan involving vehicle purchases (\$156,560); and adjustments to administrative assistant pay.

A motion was made to accept the 2026-2027 department budget as amended.

- **Motion:** Debbie Roberts
- **Second:** KJ Cooper
- **Result:** Motion carried.

Committee Appointments The following chairpersons were introduced:

- **Credentials:** Aunjel Smith
- **Constitution and Bylaws:** Glenn Hohman
- **General Resolutions:** Glenn Hohman
- **Employment:** Aunjel Smith
- **Legislation and Veterans Rights:** Glenn Hohman
- **Nomination Committee:** Comprised of Past Department Commanders

Adjournment Following the benediction, the Commander declared the meeting adjourned. The joint opening session is scheduled to begin at 9:00 AM on June 11, preceded by a credentials meeting at 8:30 AM.

Convention Schedule: June 11

08:30

Credentials Meeting

Final verification of delegates.

09:00

Morning Business Session

Commencement of general business.