

James K. Polk Veteran's Association

Annual meeting (1000 7/21/07)

Agenda and minutes

Welcome, call to order by President, Ken Kettering at 1005 - 23 members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report:

Read and approved. As of 12/31/2006: \$9211.30 in treasury. 2006 reunion lost about \$250. As agreed last year, we are using PayPal, and placing reserves in a PayPal account for the interest rate, which exceeds short term CDs and other investment options that allow access to the fund rapidly. \$750 in dues were received.

Minutes of the last meeting:

Read and approved. Contained in file "JKPAA Annual Meeting Minutes 2006.doc".

Old business:

Dues will go up to \$150 for life membership and \$30 annual after this reunion.

Discussed Mike Lane's role as membership coordinator. His spreadsheet of email addresses is corrupt and he will send it to Charlie for some help.

2007 reunion is fine so far. Coordinator Charlie Kotan praised.

2008 reunion will be in July 17-20 in Portsmouth, VA, coordinated by Barry Danforth and Joy Danforth. Barry presented a proposal from the Portsmouth, VA Holiday Inn with very reasonable room rates (\$85/night), free 24-hour hospitality suite with own food and beverages, and easy access to food and activities. Hotel meets our requirements, membership voted to proceed. President Ken Kettering signed a letter of confirmation to use the hotel. Barry will finalize negotiations and circulate contract later.

New Business:

Election of officers: Existing Treasurer (Walt Drawl) and Secretary (Charlie Kotan) were nominated for those posts, with no other takers. Michael Lane was nominated as Vice President for two years, with a two year term as President to follow. It was noted that Bob Homme becomes President at midnight tonight. It was noted that we rotate out one board member and elect a replacement. Since Mike Lane is nominated for President, Ken Kettering (outgoing President) was nominated for the that Board seat. There being no other nominations, the nominees were elected. Bob Home becomes President, Incoming VP is Mike Lane. Incumbents (Treasurer) Walt Drawl, (Secretary) Charlie Kotan, (Board Members) Ron Anstey and Harry Lierberman.

2009 Reunion discussion resulted in nominations of Las Vegas (Jack Coolidge), Charleston (Larry Cox) and Boston (Ron and Cindy Anstey). Some discussion of Little Rock and Branson. Maine and Boston were believed too expensive. 2009 reunion voted by 17 members to be Charleston with Larry Cox coordinating.

Some discussion of an Associate Member category. It was noted that would require changes to the Association By-laws and IRS filing. Several members voiced concern over diluting the membership by allowing non Polk qualified members. It was agreed that family of Polk Shipmates will be honored guests at the reunion, so there is no real reason at this point for another class of membership.

Meeting adjourned at 1105.

By Charlie Kotan
JKPVA Secretary