

**Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes
9 July 1993**

The NDVCC Re-organizational meeting was called to order by President Earl Redlin. All present recited the pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was observed for POW/MIA's. All present made introductions. At this time, both members of the NDVCC and the NDACOVA were given a presentation by Bill Williamson on duties and responsibilities of each organization.

Doug Kenyon Center Director Fargo VAMC offered remarks on all that is happening at the Medical Center and Regional Office.

Jerry Balzer, Executive Director of ND Job Service offered remarks on the changes within his department.

Rick Ryan, Director of V.E.T.S. made a presentation on programs available to service members discharging from the service.

Major General A.P. Mc Donald- AG North Dakota National Guard spoke on the ND National Guard, ND Veterans Cemetery, Persian Gulf Bonus. He assured those present that the Guard would handle publicity on the Bonus.

A presentation by Jim Fugilie from the Medora Foundation as to a proposed Veterans Memorial in the Amphi-theater at Medora. He also offered an invitation to all the organizations to attend the musical and see the plan themselves.

The members of the NDACOVA were then dismissed and Council business continued. Motion by Atol to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by Maurer, passed.

Treasurers Report was given, checking acct balance is \$1,429.82 Motion by Schmidt to accept report, 2nd by Dobmeier, passed.

Bills were presented at this time. Earl presented a bill for travel and phone calls totaling \$181.27 Motion by Dobmeier to pay, 2nd by Atol, passed.

All organization present re-validated their membership and paid their dues:

VFW - 14,255 members	\$225
DAV - 4,498 members	\$187.50
AmVets - 2,576 members	\$187.50
Am. Legion 27,739 members	\$337.50

At this time Joe Smith Legislative Liaison for the Coordinating Council gave his report on the Legislative year. He recommended that the Council start planning Legislation six months prior to the start of Legislative session. It is

the feelings of many that the next session the PWTF will be attacked. It is imperative that a legitimate use be established for the Fund.

The meeting was recessed for the evening social and supper. Hosted by the Carrington Veterans Club.

SATURDAY 10, July 1993

The meeting was reconvened by President Redlin. Earl asked for any and all resolutions to be presented. Rick Ryan presented resolution #1 - opposing new JTPA amendments. Motion by Herrly to accept, 2nd by Resler, passed. Schmidt presented resolution #2 - Issuance of ND Veterans license plate. Motion by Schmidt to accept, 2nd by Evans, passed. Note: all resolutions are on file with minutes.

New Business:

Election of officers. Earl called for nominations for President. Evans nominated Dobmeier, Motion by Williamson to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Dobmeier, 2nd by Herrly, passed.

Nomination for Vice-President. Ekern nominated Maurer, Motion by Schmidt to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot, 2nd by Maddock, passed.

Nominations for Treasurer. Dobmeier nominated Evans, Motion by Schmidt to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot, 2nd by Williamson, passed.

President Earl thanked everyone for their support the last year, Mike Dobmeier took over the meeting. Everyone present applauded Earl for a job well done.

John Mullen chairman ND ACOVA was introduced. He called on Jim Ziegeler chairman of the Veterans Home sub-committee. He gave a report on the actions of the sub-committee. It was stated the Interim Committee feels that they are to make the site selection. Discussion was held.

Al Huber chairman of the Veterans Affairs sub-committee was introduced and he gave a committee report. The committee feels OMB is using PWTF monies out of context of its intended use.

Ken Anderson of the Veterans Home offered remarks on the Home operation, upcoming Centennial celebration. Milt Kane reported on the operation of the ND Dept. of Veterans Affairs Office. It was noted that the fall deer hunt for disabled veterans and ex-guardsmen is on again this year. Information is forthcoming.

Time & Place: next meeting will be held November 5, 6, 1993 at the Seven Seas Inn in Mandan.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.