

**MINUTES OF DEPARTMENT MEETING OF
JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF MICHIGAN**

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

Call to Order. The Department Commander called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. with a quorum from all Posts in attendance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Officer of the Day prepared the Altar.

The Chaplain read the opening prayer.

A motion was made to accept the minutes and Quartermaster Reports as written. No corrections or additions were offered. The motion was seconded and same were approved.

Steve Haas, who has resigned his position as adjutant, was recognized, acknowledged and thanked by the Commander for his 10 years of loyal service and contribution to the Department in that position.

The Senior Vice Commander discussed the problems associated with the movement of the State Fair monument from Woodward to Michigan Avenue, and the risks that it may be stored and never seen again.

The Junior Vice Commander discussed efforts made to build the ranks through recruitment of college ROTC students and cadets, as well as with students generally and at induction centers.

The Commander discussed previous suggestions for the purchase of name tags to identify everyone, and/or business cards. Name tags are about \$6.00 each, and posts can purchase them for themselves. They are reusable because the backings are magnets. Business cards are purchased at 250 at a time. We are looking into the value of these options and will provide a follow-up at the next meeting. The Senior Vice Commander will have samples. In the meantime, the Commander will discuss them at the next Executive Committee meeting; after reviewing the Senior Vice Commander's samples.

The Commander discussed the process of nominating and approving the appointment of a successor for the Department Adjutant.

The Commander advised that today's program would begin at 11:00 a.m., and announced a potential change in Post meeting times from 10:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in order to provide time for programs.

The President of the JWV Auxiliary, Mona Gubow, inquired as to whether anyone had any women in their family who might be interested in joining the Auxiliary. Sign-in sheets are available. On Monday, October 28, 2019, Temple Beth El will have a tour of its archives as well as speakers. Participation is welcome. Diane Jacobs has made flyers.

The Commander announced that every individual appointed to a Department position would receive a set of Orders, covering their appointment with a inception date noted. A termination date would be the next Annual meeting of the Department. These will be signed by the Department Commander

The Chaplain read the closing prayer.

The Officer of the Day closed the Altar.

All in attendance saluted the flag.

The Commander closed the meeting.

After refreshments, the program began, with Fred Singer personally introducing the 55-minute video he produced, entitled, "We Were Just Lucky: Memories of the Greatest Generation."

- Lawrence Katz
Acting Adjutant