

**COMBAT VETERANS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION©
Of Vermont, Inc.
Chapter 26-1
Meeting Agenda for 1/9/2022
Mutuo Club, Barre Vt.
In-Person and ZOOM**

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance SAA: Krieger opened the meeting at 1000

Opening Prayer: Slash gave the opening prayer.

In Attendance: Bo and Antheia, Breeze, Cochise, Gambler, Hoss, Intimidator, Keialma and Survivor, Krieger, Litl Harley, Nimrod, OMEN and Angel, Papa Smurf, Slash, Spirit & Wizzard

Welcome from Chapter XO:

- **Welcome any and all visitors – State Rep and 26**

Report of Officers (Chapter Executive Board):

Chapter XO:

- **We are continuing our association with the Veterans Place in Northfield. Also working with them on possibly putting together some cold weather camping kits – to include sleeping bags, tarps, etc.**
- We also discussed the CVMA National Grant program – up to \$10,000.00 can be applied for any program to which the chapter has donated to in the last calendar year. Process of elimination revealed that Guitars for Vets was the only program that fit this description. It was voted today to complete the grant application for Guitars for Vets: 10 for and 1 against.
- Members are encouraged to come back next month with ideas for organizations for us to donate to this year, so we have more options for next year's grant application. (More on this in New Business)

Secretary report:

- **Vote to accept past month's minutes:** Accepted unanimously
- Spirit asked for chapter input/vote on an opportunity to save \$30.00 on the annual fee for our Zoom account due next month. There was brief discussion – gist was that we will be needing Zoom for the foreseeable future and that saving money fits our mission and purpose. Vote was unanimous. Spirit will follow up with Breeze.

Treasurer's Report:

- **Monthly Report/Vote on past month's report:** Accepted unanimously

SAA:

- **Do any members need ID Cards?** Angel needs a new card.
- **Annual dues are due by midnight on 30 June 2022.** We reviewed the procedure for paying member dues. As always, any member of the CEB is available to provide assistance if needed. Just reach out!
- **We are now only allowed one Sanctioned Event per chapter per year.** Open to any input on what that event should be this year.

PR:

Webmaster website update, if applicable: All pictures have been updated to current day. Our Facebook page is working well and reaching people. Gambler shared some statistics. Check with him if interested.

Quarter Master:

Merchandise trailer status. Voted to have flags on the sleeves of new t-shirts.

Quote for price to restock merchandise. Grumpy was out sick today, but he has been working on all of this.

Old Business:

All presents were successfully delivered to our Christmas families. Each presentation was well-attended and went very well! Thanks to all who participated!

New Business:

Historic vote for the first VT CVMA State Sargent At Arms to follow today's chapter meeting, at 1230 hours.

Other new business brought up today:

- Hoss has stepped down as Road Captain. Woodchuck is staying on as Road Captain, but is not interested in the planning and logistics aspect of road trips. Therefore, we are seeking another candidate for this position. This person will be involved in planning rides, to include rest stops, routes, and events if applicable. They will not be expected to handle all of this on their own, but will be the primary point of contact with ability to delegate responsibilities as appropriate. There will be a chapter email to come with all the specifics and expectations.
- Slash reminded the chapter of the matter of a guidon flag for the chapter. We had discussed it in the past, but no action was taken at that time. We voted unanimously today to have one created. Slash donated \$100.00 toward that end. We will discuss design options next month.
- We discussed using the fund-raising option of a gun raffle. It was decided that Cochise would follow up with Sandman about procuring another pistol to be raffled off at the Spring Dinner. After that, we'll look into having another one. We decided not to set up a schedule for raffles, to provide flexibility if needed. Rabbit, of chapter 26-2, pointed out that they had raffled off a gun a month last year and made a \$7,000.00 profit overall.
- Wizzard is working on chapter plaques.

- We discussed renewing the list of organizations to which to donate funds every other month. Omen motioned to cut the donation amount from \$1,000.00 to \$500.00 – passed unanimously. It was decided to table the formation of a list, to give members time to offer suggestions. We will follow up next month. We voted today to donate \$500.00 to the Vets Place in Northfield.

Tabled Items: No tabled items this month.

ST Rep: No comments today, getting ready for the SSAA vote ceremony.

Discussion: Open to Membership:

Slash expressed gratitude to the members and friends who helped him fix his shed last year.

Announcements: Open to membership:

- There is a Winter BBQ event happening at the Swanton VFW on 22 January from noon to 1900 hours. This is a free event for veterans, so head on up and enjoy!
- People are staying at the Yankee Clipper for Regionals this year. The majority of members have booked rooms for Friday and Saturday.
- There is a group of members planning to conduct a Finish the Mission for LRRP for Nationals this year.

Closing Prayer: Slash gave the closing prayer at 1100 hours.

Adjournment XO: Remember the SSAA vote happening at 1230 hours – please hang around and participate!