Minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting

The 2013 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Veterans' Association of the Chicago & North Western Ry. was held prior to the Milwaukee Chapter's Annual luncheon at Alioto's on Saturday, October 19, 2013 in Milwaukee, WI

The meeting was called to order by General President Curtis Schmidt at 10:29 a.m. Present were General President Curtis Schmidt, General VP Robert Stewart, GS/T Dianne Koppelman, and Directors Caryl Braaten, Rod Ewert, Dan Sylvester, William Regner, Donald Mundth and Gordon Geil .

The General President asked for a moment of silence to remember the three (3) Board Directors that had passed away in 2013; Jack Holloway, August Troia and Charles Whyte.

The General Secretary/Treasurer stated that an audit of the financial records was performed on September 10, 2013 and the records are in good order.

General President stated that the Waukegan/Kenosha Chapter has gone inactive as of July 2013 due to lack of involvement of the membership. The Chicago Chapter is having problems getting new Officers and had to cancel their September 28, 2013 luncheon due to illnesses and the finances being tied up. Vice President Mary Flynn is trying to get the chapter back in order.

It was mentioned that General Vice President Robert Stewart does not want to become General President in the fall of 2014. So we have to start searching for a replacement for Curtis Schmidt.

The subject of the Website was then discussed. The Website Domain which is the name of the website (Veterans' Association of the Chicago & North Western Railway) has been paid until 2017. We now have Unlimited Hosting with a \$5.70 credit. The estimated cost of Limited Hosting is \$54.00 and Unlimited is \$110.00. A motion was made by Don Mundth, seconded by Dan Sylvester that we allocate \$110.00 for Unlimited Hosting for 2014; carried. The Constitution updates were voted on at each Chapter luncheon. The Milwaukee Chapter will vote today October 19, 2013 at their luncheon. A committee was appointed and the all votes will be counted on Tuesday, November 12, 2013. If the changes are approved the Constitution will be retyped reflecting the new changes.

Former President of the Waukegan/Kenosha Chapter Dan Sylvester will construct a letter asking members what chapter they want their membership transferred to. The GS/T will mail out the letter.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Dan Sylvester – seconded by Don Mundth. Meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Dianne Koppelman, GS/T