

**VFP Board Meeting Minutes – Portland, Maine
October 16 - 18, 2009**

Veterans For Peace October 17, 2009

Present: Mike Ferner, Elliott Adams, Bill Collins, Sharon Kufeldt, Kenneth Mayers, Leah Bolger, Nate Goldschlag, Pierre Williams.

VFP Staff: Michael McPhearson, Virginia Druhe, Betsy Reznicek.

Guests: Cherie Eichholz,

Call to order, President Ferner 08:55 PM

Read Statement of Purpose

Board Policy Book – Motion made and seconded, amended and passed: To make the Policy Book available through the “On Line Forum”.

Organizing Committee- Motion made and seconded, and passed: Refer the question of how long an organizing committee may continue to membership committee.

Afghanistan - Motion made and seconded, and passed: While the President has the power to do this without Board direction, the Board directs the President to put out a call and work to bring together a working committee on Afghanistan.

Making chapters more effective - Motion made and seconded, and passed: Direct the President to pull together a committee to study how we can bring training to our chapter officers.

Boardpersonship - Motion made and seconded, and passed: Direct the president to pull together a committee to study how we can bring training for Board members.

Motion made and seconded, and passed: recessing until 8:30 PM.

Elliott Adams, secretary pro tem

Veterans For Peace October 18, 2009 Board of Directors’ Minutes

Present: Mike Ferner, Elliott Adams, Bill Collins, Sharon Kufeldt, Kenneth Mayers, Leah Bolger, Nate Goldschlag, Pierre Williams, Hart Vigas, Anita Foster.

Staff: Michael McPhearson, , Virginia Druhe, Betsy Reznicek

Guest: Cherie Eichholz Jack Bussell, Dud Hendrick.

Call to order, President Ferner 8:40 AM

Presentation on National Convention – by Jack and Dud

Accessibility – will be addressed at next convention committee call

Need to work with hotel for what can be done, need to figure out what we can do, need to do better informing host chapters ahead of time

10:12 break

10:31 called back to order

Announcement by Executive Director of resignation effective last day of February 2010.

Convention –

Treasures Report -

Challenge: Between now and next board meeting, once a week, invite a chapter member for a cup of coffee. Tell them you are buying them a cup of coffee because you want them to buy VFP a cup of coffee once a week.

Motion made seconded and passed: Board directs the membership and, development committees to bring back reports exploring the variety of options for membership dues with up side and down side prior to the January board meeting.

Motion made seconded and passed: Ask the ED to spend one full day per week on fundraising.

ED Report –

Membership Committee Report -

Motion made seconded and passed: To charter the Eugene Oregon Chapter. Including that they may add a few more members to the charter.

Motion made seconded, amended and, passed: To pilot a Proud Supporter affiliation at SOAW. Designate Adams to draft initial steps, and communicate with national office to minimize impacts.

Motion made seconded and passed: Next meeting 23 & 24 January in Saint Louis.

Motion made and seconded, and passed: adjourn PM.

Elliott Adams, secretary pro tem