



VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA
DARWIN J. THOMAS
MEMORIAL CHAPTER 201
SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

Chapter Meeting Minutes
Monday June 23 , 2025

Attendees:

Sign In sheets were lost and unable to confirm attendees.

I. The meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Warren Finch at 12:15 PM (1215 hours) at Cupertino Country Inn. Sergeant-At-At-Arms Freddie Clegg presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Chaplain Richard Veit provided the invocation.

II. Roll Call of Chapter Officers

President - Warren Finch
Vice President - Gene Fanucchi
Secretary /Treasurer - Stephen Thompson - Excused
Sergeant at Arms -Freddie Clegg
3-year Board Member - Gerald Cederholm
2-year Board Member - Dennis Foggie -Excused
1-year Board Member -Dennis Whittaker
1-year Rotating Board Member - Richard Veit -

III. Guests:

IV. Reading of Minutes:

Minutes of the March meeting were forwarded electronically to the membership. Motion to approve the minutes by Frank Lem and second by Dennis Whittaker

V. Correspondence:

VI. Finance Report:

Deferred until July meeting.

VII. Officer Reports:

President Report =

- a. President Finch spoke on the possibility of having the AVVA take over the duties/objectives of VVA 201 at such time as the chapter is dissolved. National VVA had initially discussed shutting down in 2028, but more on this will be discussed during the Biennial Convention in New Orleans in June. Once more information is received the BOD will discuss distribution of funds and other activities necessary to close the chapter.
- b. After a very successful program on Memorial Day, working Oak Hill will continue. VVA 201 program was well received.

VIII. Chaplain Report

Chaplain asked for thoughts go out to:

David Sanders
Randy Richmond
Rich McCoy
Neil Lichtman
Rose Herrera
Bill Briggs

IX. Board Of Directors Report:

Next board meeting to be determined

X. California State Council (CSC) Report:

- Next meeting is October 2025 In Visalia

XI. United Veterans Council (UVC) Report:

Nothing to Report

XII. Committee Reports:

Membership Committee (Stephen Thompson): As of May 31, we have 144 Members

Agent Orange and POW/MIA Committee - nothing to report

Constitution By-Laws Committee (Steve Thompson): nothing to report

Community Services Committee – Mike Frangadakis - nothing to report

Government Affairs Committee (Rose Herrera): nothing to report.

Finance and Fund-Raising Committee: Nothing to report

Veterans Benefits (Gerald Arnold): nothing to report

Emergency Assistance Program: Nothing to report

XIII. Unfinished Business:

XIV. New Business:

XV. AVVA Report:

XVI. Good of the Order

XVII. Closing Ceremony

Closing prayer provided by Chaplain Rich Veit and Colors retired by Sergeant at arms.

XVIII. The next event scheduled for VVA Chapter 201 will be at Holders Country Inn in Cupertino on July 28, 2025.

Recorded by Dennis Foggie and transcribed by Steve Thompson

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