

**Annual Meeting Minutes**  
**Kankakee County**  
**Veterans Assistance Commission**  
**March 26, 2024**

1. Each Veterans Service Organization Appointed Delegate will be seated in front.
2. Roll call of Delegates  
**David Allen** (MCL) Chair, **Stan Bobka** Vice Chair,  
MCL 1253 - **Rich Kuyper**  
DAV 34 - **Ed Peters**,  
AL 1164 – Larry Blanchette (excused), **Mark Straughn** Guest: Tim Rehmer  
AL 1019 – Jim Wasser (absent), **Karl Fritzgerald**  
AL 408 – Nic Smith (excused), **Mark Warpet**  
AL 755 - **Dan Horton**, Joe Gaca (excused)  
AL 766 – **Wayne Burgess**, Corey Norton (excused)  
AL 795 – Dennis Pankey (absent)  
AL 85 – **John McGarey**, Daniel Guimond (excused)  
AmVets 107 - **Tom Page**, **Tony Just**  
VFW 9961 **Manny Quinto**, **Michael Lockwood**  
VFW 2857 - Roger Bean (excused), Nick Monacelli (absent)  
VFW 7535 – **Raymond Jacobsen**, **Dennis Horn**  
Mike Peeken, Superintendent, Office staff: Karen Smietanski, Ashley Appleton & Eric Peterson
3. Nominations from the Floor for Chair:  
Dan H – nominated David Allen- asked 3x for nominations. No more nominations were given.  
David Allen accepted nomination and roll call vote taken. All yes.  
Nominations from the Floor for Vice Chair:  
Tom P – nominated Dan Horton - asked 3x for nominations. No more nominations were given.  
Dan Horton accepted nomination and roll call vote taken. All yes.
4. Appointment of a budget, Superintendent review, by-laws committee by Chairman  

<u><b>By Laws Committee</b></u>	<u><b>Budget Committee</b></u>	<u><b>Superintendent review</b></u>
Mike Lockwood	Rich Kuyper	Dan Horton
Wayne Burgess	John McGarey	Fritz Fritzgerald
Tom Page	Wayne Burgess	Ed Peters
5. Appointment of a Delegate and an Alternate to the I.A.C.V.A.C.  
The Chairman appointed the VSOs Karen Smietanski, Ashley Appleton and Eric Peterson from the VAC who attend the IACVAC meetings on a regular basis to be the Delegate and Alternate to the IACVAC. Motion to approve was passed.
6. Approval of meeting dates  
The Meeting Dates were handed out. A motion was made by Rich Kuyper, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Lockwood to approve the meeting dates as listed. Motion Passed.

Meeting switched to regular Commission Meeting.