

DEPARTMENT OF PACIFIC AREAS  
MINUTES – OUTGOING COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION  
COMMANDER LAURENCE L. LYONS  
June 15, 2009

**Opening Ceremonies:** Department Commander Lyons called the meeting of the out-going Council of Administration to order at 1400 hours, June 15, 2009 in Angeles City, Philippines. Opening ceremonies were held in accordance with VFW ritual.

**Appointments:** Commander Lyons appointed the following: Officer of the Day – S. Watson and Guard – J. O’Connor.

**Distinguished Guests:** Commander Lyons introduced Comrade Preston “Nick” Nelson, NCM District 16, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the US and Steve Mason, Past Supreme Commander, MOC.

Commander Lyons introduced Past Department Commanders Elliott, Kraus, Carsley, Zaher, Russell, Wichmann, Keeley and Schaefer, Teets and JPDC Webber. He also recognized the Past Grand Commanders Russell, Wichmann, Malott, Teets, Keeley, our Present Grand Commander Swierzewski and the Supreme MOC District 15 Councilman Malott.

**Roll Call of Officers:** The Adjutant called the Roll Call of Officers as follows:

Department Commander	Laurence L. Lyons	Present
Sr. Vice Commander	James D. Malott	Present
Jr. Vice Commander	James Oden	Present
Quartermaster	Anthony C. Power	Present
Judge Advocate	William H. Wichmann	Present
Surgeon	Francis Hunter	Present
Chaplain	Kenneth Swierzewski	Present
Chief of Staff	Robert Zaher	Present
Inspector	Richard Kinneman	Present
Jr. Past Department Commander	Rhett Webber	Present
District I Commander	Dwayne Ash	SVC Brandon
District II Commander	Bernie Kenna	JVC Mortimer
District III Commander	Jeffrey Herndon	SVC Coleman
District IV Commander	Orville D. Humfleet	Present
District V Commander	William “Bear” Hudson	Present
District VI Commander	William Bradford	Present
District VII Commander	Frank Hilliard	Present
Adjutant	Richard A. Keeley	Present

**Rules of Order:** Judge Advocate Wichmann stated that the Rules of Order were published in the Typhoon and the only members allowed to vote are the council.

**Reading of the Minutes:** The minutes of the mid-term C of A were electronically distributed with no comments or corrections. Motion was made to accept as written – second – passed.

**Quartermaster's Report:** The Quartermaster's report was deferred until the convention.

**Committee/Officer Reports:** All reports were deferred until the convention.

**Communications:** The Adjutant deferred all communications to the convention.

**Is There a Comrade or a Family Member of a Comrade in Distress:**

Post 10216 – PDC Sass currently in hospital  
Post 11447 – Past Post Commander Billman recently passed away  
Post 124 – PDC/PGC Harmon is still home-bound  
Post 10033 – Comrade Hudson recently underwent heart surgery  
District V Commander Hudson thanked Post 2485 for the outstanding service they had in memory of PGC B.K. Hubbard

**National Home:** Chaplain Swierzewski said a prayer in remembrance of the VFW National Home.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Good of the Order:** Commander Lyons expressed his appreciation for all the work that was done throughout the year and wished all incoming officers the best of luck.

There being no further business to come before the Outgoing Council of Administration, Commander Lyons conducted the closing ceremony at 1430 hours according to Ritual.

The next meeting will be June 17, 2009 at the annual Department of Pacific Areas' convention.

By Order of:

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RICHARD A. KEELEY  
Adjutant  
Department of Pacific Areas

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LAURENCE L. LYONS  
Commander  
Department of Pacific Areas

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