MARCH OPEN MEETING – MINUTES

3/14/2024

In attendance – Andrea B, Joe V, Patty V, Pattijo C, Deb R, Joe Y, Glen M, Jeanne P, Gale H, Eileen B, Matt A, Norm S, Melissa M, Tom T, Crystal C, Bob G

\*Minutes available on website\*

Treasurer’s Report - $162,840.00

**Old Business**

Shoe Drive – keep collecting, Melissa has bags of shoes that need to be picked up

**Fundraising**

March 21 – House of Reardon

March 30 – Potato Bake and Shoe Collection, Anderson Market

April 21 – Potato Bake at AL Port Dickinson

**Upcoming Events**

April 14 – Meet and Greet

April 17 – NYS Honor Flight Day

April 18 – Final M17 planning meeting

April 25 – Pre-Flight at Watermann’s

April 27 – M17 at AL1645 go time 4am

April 28 – Welcome Home 7pm

**New Business**

**Mission 17 Update**

April 27th-28th arriving and departing from AL1645

Staff unchanged, job descriptions distributed

Stay behind – Tom Tait

Ground Crew Chief – Tammy Mangano

Maill Call Lead – Debbie Pogorzelski

Uniform Lead – Tom Tait

To date: 36 Veterans on M17

Meet and Greet Letters – Mailed 3/14

Itinerary being finalized – 3 FOH

DC Hotel – Sheraton, Pentagon City

Hotel Assistance – Tom Tait looking into it

Hotel Banquet – Waiting for confirmation on speaker, KWVMF care packages requested

Hotel for out of towners – Microtel Inn

York Food Pickup – Bob Gardner to ask for American Legion riders

Tour Guides- Bozo’s late afternoon Saturday through Sunday

Park Police – Not needed

Food Arrangements – Mostly finalized, requested/waiting for full inventory from storage unit before purchasing drinks and snacks

Meet and Greet

Agenda in progress

Treasurer to collect guardian fees

Next meeting April 18th, 2024 at 6pm AL 1645