

**Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States**  
**Department of Idaho**  
**Mid-Winter Conference**  
**Agenda for General Business Session January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**Troy Junier, Commander**

**Opening** in Ritual Form by Department

Commander Junier

**Roll Call of Officers:**

Commander Junier

Senior Vice Commander Black

Junior Vice Commander Hartwig

Past State Commander Riener

Past State Commander Babcock

Past State Commander Tettleton

Adjutant/Quartermaster Ragland

Chief of Staff PSC Thomas

Inspector PSC Johnson

Judge Advocate Petrie

Surgeon Fabb

Chaplain Ludlow

National Council Representative Tettleton

National Surgeon General Welch

District 1 Commander English

District 2 Commander Paulsen

District 4 Commander Biggs

District 5 Commander Binion

District 6 Commander Davis

District 7 Commander Carroll

District 8 Commander Kortright

**Introduction of Guests:**

**Glenn R Umberger Jr.**

National Representative for Idaho's Conference

National Jr Vice Commander in Chief

Past State Commander (2015-2016)

Past National Deputy Chief of Staff

Past National Aide-de-Camp

Past National Council of Administration Member

Gold Legacy Life Member

**Bobby Tettleton**

National Council of Administration Member

All American Past Dept of Idaho State Commander

Gold Legacy Life Member

**Douglas Welch**

National Surgeon General

Past State Commander; Gold Legacy Life Member

## Conference housekeeping Rules – Commander Junier

### Announcements:

- Comrade illness or deaths?
- Any National correspondence or natural disasters?

### **Reading of Minutes of the General Convention Session of June, 2025**

They have been published. Are there any corrections?

\_\_\_\_\_ moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes (as published/as corrected).  
\_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion (carried/defeated).

### **Committee Reports**

Audit Committee – PSC Kenneth Babcock

Membership— Daniel Damigo

Department Service Officer – Bill Heyob (or representative)

Time and Place Committee Report

- Convention June 3-6, 2026 – Commander Junier
- National Convention, Reno NV, July 26-29, 2026 – Commander Junier
- Western Conference, Phoenix AZ Host, November 5-8, 2026 – Tom Black
- Mid-Winter Conference January 2027 – Tom Black
- Washington DC Legislative Conference, Feb 27-Mar 4, 2027- Tom Black
- Convention June 2027 – Tom Black
- National Convention, July 31-Aug 4. Milwaukee WI – Tom Black

Community Activities – Lee Hartwig

Awards -Voice of Democracy (VOD), Patriots Pen (PP), and Teacher of the Year(TOY)—Tom Black

Dashboard Comments – Tom Black

National Legislative Service (NLS) – Payton Schooler-Pollilo

Inspections – Rick Johnson

Bylaws Committee – Rick Johnson

Safety Awards - Tammy Clement

Raffle Fund update – Russ Ludlow

Special Actions Committee – Commander Junier

Other Comments from Commander Junier

### Special Presentations:

1. XX

### Post Presentations:

1. 75th Anniversary Award Presentation to Post 3884 Bear Lake - District 7

### Mid-Year Membership Awards:

1. Commander Junier – Membership Awards List
2. XX

### **Old Business**

1. None

### **New Business**

1. X
2. X

3. X

### **Good of the Order**

**Jr Vice Commander-in-Chief Glenn R Umberger Jr.**

### **Commander's Comments**

Commander Junier will ask if anyone wanted to declare their candidacy in running for Department officer for next year at the June Convention:

- Commander elect – Tom Black
- Sr Vice Commander – Lee Hartwig
- Jr Vice Commander – ??
- Judge Advocate – Gordon Petrie
- Surgeon – ??
- Chaplain – ??
- Quartermaster – Dan Ragland

### **Announcements**

- Briefing for Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, and Teachers of the Year will be held at 4:30pm in the Quiet Room. [Tom Black - Briefing, Melanie Palmer - vouchers/meal tickets]
- Banquet attendees please be seated by 6:15pm.
- The parade of students and teachers will start promptly at 6:30pm. District Commander/President (or alternate) escorts, please meet with Chairman Tom Black right after the close of the Business Session (at head table).

### **Closing in Ritual Form**