## Electronic Communications Committee May 11, 2023

## Attendees:

Dr. Constance Bails, VFN Immediate Past President/ECC Chair – Area X, Chapter 737

John Bails, VFN Network Coordinator - Area X, Chapter 737 Fairfax

Esther Nash, VFN Secretary – Area VIII, Chapter 090 Fredericksburg

Stan Palen, VFN Webmaster – Area VIII, Chapter 595 Colonial Beach

Frances Boatman, VFN 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Area VII, Chapter 111 Roanoke Valley

Area IV – Deborah Brown – Chapter 1697 Brentwood

Area VII – Ellie Long – Chapter 111 Roanoke Valley

Area X – Nancy Palmerino, Chapter 007 Arlington

Absent: Area I – Janice Hill, Chapter 685 Williamsburg

Area II – Frances Sansone – Chapter 974 Virginia Beach

Area III – Deborah Fisk, Assistant Chair – Chapter 2265 Midlothian

Area III – Cynthia Graunke – Chapter 2265 Midlothian

Area IV – Willie Levenston – Chapter 1697 Brentwood2

Area IX – Otis Langford – Chapter 893 Springfield

Meeting was called to order by ECC Chairman Dr Bails at 4:00 pm on Thursday, May 11, 2023. There was concern expressed about the May 3<sup>rd</sup> email from ECC Committee member Debbie Fisk regarding items on the checklist that overlapped other VFN Programs duties and responsibilities. It was decided that Dr. Bails would send a revised email and checklist to clarify the ECC Program's goals and objectives.

Dr. Bails stressed that everyone needs to be on the same page, and any future correspondence is to be sent under the ECC Chair's signature. There is a "chain-of-command" for a reason. Remember, "Any group is only as strong as it's weakest link." We must have cohesion

Area VII Rep Ellie Long reported that she has contacted all her Chapters and is up-to-date. She has not heard from Area IX Rep Otis Langford, who was to contact her for assistance. Dr Bails emphasized that each Area is assigned a Rep. Reps should help each other, but each Rep should be completing their own work. Ellie will get in touch with Otis to see how she can help him.

Secretary Nash will send current F-7s to Dr. Bails, Frances Boatman, and each Area Rep by Monday, May 15. Once we have the F-7s up-to-date in the National Data Base, Secretary Esther Nash is the only one to make contact with Headquarters. Area Reps are to send information to Secretary Nash, with a copy to Debbie Fisk.

Area X Rep Nancy Palmerino updated calendars and will continue work on the F-7 information. Chapters should send Information to VFN Webmaster Stan Palen with a copy to the Area Rep.

Dr. Bails confirmed with everyone that we are all on the same page. Meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Frances E. Boatman Recording Secretary