

The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on November 07, 2023

Executive Committee Meeting called to order by Commander Batura at 7:00pm
Some members were on zoom, others were at Temporary Post Location.

Invocation by Post Chaplain

Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (10-03-2023) with corrections, were posted on the Post Website and Jim McGuire Motioned to suspend the reading. Motion was 2nd by Phil Malsbary, no discussion, Motion passed.

4. Committee Reports (using new template) Limited to 2 minutes each.

a. Board of Trustees; Drawings have been corrected and stamped, now they will be sent forward with documents for occupancy permit. Elevator was inspected, phone not connected. Fireworks stand planned for New Year's sales.

b. 1st Vice Commander; Our Membership is at 73.41% of our goal. Members Night Out was at Red River BBQ, everyone enjoyed the famil7y atmosphere. Several upcoming events as shown on calendar will need volunteers to step forward.

c. 2nd Vice Commander; First Responder Dinner is on December 9th and a Photographer will be there to record the event and photo the Award winners for newsletter.

d. Finance; We have \$16,679 dollars in the Bank. The report was available for anyone to review after the meeting.

e. Oratorical Contest; Ted not here, but contest is scheduled for December 12th at Post Building. More information soon.

f. Boys State; We are getting packets ready for the schools to start this year's program. Also getting Teams ready for interviewing candidates.

g. Judge Advocate; No Report

h. Service Officer; No Report, Not here

i. Chaplain; Gathering information and locations for Four Chaplains Program. We need to look ahead at least 2 years to obtain a Church that will be available.

j. Historian; Need photos and articles for newsletter.

k. Sergeant at arms: Preparing a Key Recall list. Assembling materials and equipment for Wreaths Across America program in December

- l. Communications; Sending information to Membership on Children & Youth Program, and Fireworks stand available at Post location for New Year's celebrations.
- m. JSSP; Need better lighting in Bay area for target sighting.
- n. Flag Retirement; Need to schedule a date to conduct this ceremony, and fold flags that were recently collected.
- o. Honor Guard; 9 Funerals, 4 Flag Ceremonies for 252 Service Hours.
- p. Graves; No updates
- q. Auxiliary; This is a very fast moving time of year for our Unit as we are at the Rice Harvest parade and Festival, and preparing for Thanksgiving Turkey packages for Veterans at KCM, and preparing for Packaged Meals for Veterans at Operation Homefront, and Pies for Camp Hope event, and Breakfast with a Veteran on first Saturday of each Month. These are just some of the examples we are doing in the Katy community, and also thanks to the many Post Members who volunteer their time to help us make these events possible.
- r. SAL: Some of our Members are getting out supporting Post events.
- s. Legion Riders; A Texas State ride is being created, also we are making a calendar of local rides for all Post Members to promote more family participation, maybe a family picnic event?

5. Unfinished Business;

- a. Building Red Tag Status – Commander Batura discussed that the Architect has reviewed and place his stamp of approval on the building drawings. Now they will be uploaded to the Fire Marshall's website with the forms for a re-inspection.
- b. Scouting Program; Our Post will be sponsoring a new Female Scouting Troop.
- c. Anything else;

6. New Business

- a. Community Service Hours; Commander Batura wants all Post Members who perform volunteer hours to submit them for consolidating them on the yearly CPR. A list will soon be developed for reporting these hours and posted on our website.
- b. Anything Else; Butch Sparks made a Motion to donate 500.00 dollars to Camp Hope for their PTSD Program. Motion was 2nd by Sandy Krum, no discussion, Motion Passed

7. Upcoming Events

Calendar review is on the front page of Post website.

Veterans Day November 11th

Operation Homefront November 18th Home Run Dugout

Firefighters Pancake Breakfast December 9th KFD Sta 1

WAA Flag Marking December 10th Magnolia Cemetery

WAA Ceremony December 16th Magnolia Cemetery

If no further business, Post Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Executive Committee adjourned at 9:04pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

Peter Batura
Commander